

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA) SOLICITATION, OFFER AND AWARD FORM

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS				
1. SOLICITATION # : RFQ-TBARTA-002	4. BRIE	F DESCRIPTION:		
2. ISSUE DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2018				., .
3. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:		Regional Transit De	evelopment Plan (RTDF	P) Services
NAME: Lisa P. Nooner				
PHONE : 727-540-1958 FAX :				
E-MAIL: <u>Inooner@psta.net</u>				
5. CONFERENCE: (See Exhibit C for more in When it's time, join the meeting Meeting number (access code): 733 116 528 Meeting password: TBARTA	formation.) Join by pho	one +1-415-655-0002 L	JS Toll	
LOCATION: 3201 Scherer Drive St. Petersburg, FL 33716		. ND TIME: Monday, No d Time	ovember 27, 2018, 9:00	am a.m., Eastern
6. SUBMIT OFFER TO THE FOLLOWING A		7. OFFER SUBI	MISSION DUE DATE	AND TIME:
Pinellas Suncoast Transit Auth Attn: Procurement Depar RFQ 18-980109 3201 Scherer Drive	rtment,	12/11/18, 2:00) pm, Eastern Standard	Time
St. Petersburg, FL 33		No (4) -1	(Flack Drive an OD) in	decalling of the constitution
SUBMIT WITH OFFER: One (1) Original Offer and attachments listed on Page 2 of this form		One (1) electronic copy	(Flash Drive or CD) inc	cluding the exhibits
9. Offers will not be publicly opened.				
10. FIRM OFFER PERIOD: Offers shall remain firm for a period of 120 calendar days from the date specified in Block 7, above.				ock 7, above.
11. This solicitation and any resulting contract, 2 of this form.	, respectively, consists	of this Form and the e.	xhibits and documents	designated on Page
	OFF	ER		
	(To be complete	ted by Offeror)		
12. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT: $_$	%, Calend	dar Days (Please refer	to Invoice and Paymen	t clauses in Exhibit D)
13. If this offer is accepted within the period so covered by this solicitation at the prices ar			s to fully provide the g	oods and/or services
14. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AMENDMEN' amendment numbers and amendment date		wledges receipt of the f	ollowing solicitation am	endments (write in all
Amendment Number and Date	Amendment Nur	mber and Date	Amendment Nu	mber and Date
15. OFFEROR'S NAME AND ADDRESS: (Type or Print) 16. NAME AND TITLE OF OFFEROR'S REPRESENTATION (PERSON AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTION (Type or Print))		_		
TELEPHONE: E-MAIL: CELL PHONE: FAX: 17. OFFEROR'S REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE & DATE: 17. OFFEROR'S REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE & DATE:				

	AWARD (To be completed by PSTA)				
18. Offeror is a: DBE: Yes ☐ No	☐ SBE: Yes ☐ No ☐				
19. DBE: Federal funds shall be utilized. T	19. DBE: Federal funds shall be utilized. There will be a 5% DBE goal assigned to this solicitation.				
20. ACCEPTED AS TO:	21. TOTAL AMOUNT OF AWARD:	22. CONTRACT NUMBER:			
23. PSTA'S CONTRACTING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE & CONTRACT AWARD DATE:					
Name:	Signature:	/ Date://			

NAME	FORM DESCRIPTION	FORM#	SUBMIT WITH OFFER
Cover Sheet	Solicitation, Offer and Award Form	CS-01	YES
Exhibit A	Representations and Certifications	Х	YES
Exhibit B	Special Solicitation Instructions and Conditions	B-01	
Exhibit C	Solicitation Instructions and Conditions	Х	
Exhibit D	Special Provisions	D-01	
Exhibit E	Addendum to General Provisions	Е	
Exhibit F	General Provisions	Х	
Exhibit G	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Provisions	Х	YES, ATTACHMENT 1
Exhibit H	Statement of Work	Х	
Exhibit K	Agreement to Furnish a General Consultant Service Contract	Х	YES
Ex. K, Attach 1	FTA Terms and Conditions	Х	

TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

EXHIBIT A REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

(LOCALLY ASSISTED SUPPLY/SERVICE CONTRACT)

** NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH THE OFFER **

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REPRESENTATIONS

1. Contingent Fee

Except for full-time bona fide emploit (Mark one with an "X"):	yees working solely for	or the proposer, the proposer represents as part of its offer that
it (Mark one war ar 77).	□ has	□ has not
been employed or retained any com	npany or persons to so	olicit or obtain this contract, and (Mark one with an "X"):
	□ has	□ has not
paid or agreed to pay any person	or company employe	d or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission

paid or agreed to pay any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.

2. Covenant Against Gratuities

The proposer represents as part of its offer that no employee, official, or member of the Authority's Governing Board is or will be peculiarly interested or benefited directly or indirectly in this contract. The proposer further represents and warrants that it has not offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) to any employee, official, or member of the Authority's Governing Board with a view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or evaluating the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation. For breach of any representation or warranty in this clause, the Authority shall have the right to annul this contract without liability and/or have recourse to any other remedy it may have at law.

3. Parent Company and Identifying Data

a) The proposer represents as part of its offer that it (Mark one with an "X"):			
	□ is	□ is not	

owned or controlled by a parent company. A parent company, for the purpose of this provision, is one that owns or controls the activities and basic business policies of the proposer. To own the offering company means that the parent company must own more than 50 percent of the voting rights in that company. A company may control a proposer as a parent even though not meeting the requirements for such ownership if the company is able to formulate, determine, or veto basic policy decisions of the proposer through the use of dominant minority voting rights, use of proxy voting, or otherwise.

(b) If the proposer is not owned or controlled by a parent company, it shall insert its own Employer's Identification Number below:

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c) If the proposer is owned or conffice address of the parent compa				main
NAME OF PARENT COMPANY AND MADDRESS (INCLUDE ZIP AND PHONE		PARENT COMPANY'S E	MPLOYER'S IDENTIFICATION #:	
4. Type of Business				
(a) The proposer represents as pa	rt of its offer that it operate	s as (Mark one with an "X	"):	
□ an individual	□ a	sole proprietorship		
□ a partnership	□ a	corporation		
□ another entity	·			
(b) If incorporated, under the laws	of the State of:			
]		
c) Age of the firm:years, n	nonths			
(d) Previous year's annual gross r	eceipts:			
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5. <u>Certification of Independent Price Determination</u>

- (a) By submission of this offer, the proposer certifies, and in the case of a joint offer, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, that in connection with this procurement:
 - (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other proposer or with any competitor.
 - (2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this offer have not been knowingly disclosed by the proposer and will not knowingly be disclosed by the proposer prior to the opening (in the case of an advertised procurement) or prior to award (in the case of a negotiated procurement), directly or indirectly to any other proposer or to any competitor; and
 - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the proposer to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each person signing this offer certifies that:
 - (1) He/she is the person in the proposer's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein and that he has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or

A-02 (AUG 17) Page 2 of 4 Exhibit A (2) He/she: (i) is not the person in the proposer's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein but that he has been authorized in writing to act as an agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (a)(1) through (a)(3) above, and as their agent does hereby so certify; and (ii) has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

6. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

- (1) The proposer certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals:
 - (i) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any governmental department or agency;
 - (ii) have not within a three-year period preceding this offer been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes, or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (iii) are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(ii) of this certification; and
 - (iv) have not within a three-year period preceding this offer had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the proposer is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the proposer shall attach an explanation.

7. Certification of Restrictions on Lobbying

Lobbying of any TBARTA board member, officer, evaluation/selection committee member, employee, agent or attorney by a bidder, any member of the proposer's staff, any agent or representative of the proposer, whether compensated or not, or any person employed by any legal entity affiliated with or representing the Proposer shall be prohibited on all competitive selection processes and contract awards, including but not limited to requests for proposals, requests for quotations, requests for qualification, invitation for bids, bids or the award of purchasing contracts of any type. Lobbying is strictly prohibited from the date of the advertisement or on a date otherwise established by the TBARTA Governing Board, until an award is final, any protest is finally resolved, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded.

The purposes of this prohibition is to protect the integrity of the procurement process by shielding it from undue influences prior to the contract award, a protest is resolved, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. Nothing herein shall prohibit a proposer from contacting the purchasing division or TBARTA's general counsel to address situations such as clarification and/or questions related to the procurement process or protest.

For the purposes of this paragraph, lobbying shall mean influencing or attempting to influence action or non-action. and/or attempting to obtain the goodwill of persons specified herein relating to the selection, ranking, or contract award in connection with the bidding process through direct or indirect oral or written communication. Lobbying includes such actions whether performed by the proposer itself, any employee of the proposer, the proposer's attorney, agent or other paid or non-paid representative, or any person who performs such actions of behalf or at the behest of the proposer. Further, lobbying includes the attempt to influence Board members while they are performing their functions for other governmental entities (e.g.) a city or Hillsborough County). The final award of the contract shall be the effective date of the contract.

Any board member, officer, evaluation/selection committee member, employee, agent or attorney who has been lobbied will immediately report the lobbying activity to the Authority's Executive Director.

8. Conflict of Interest Certification

By submission of this offer, I certify that:

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- (a) I have read and understand the General Provisions clause entitled "Interest of Public Officials" that will be incorporated into any contract resulting from this solicitation. I further understand that the pecuniary interest in that clause includes employment relationships.
- (b) I understand the Authority has for its employees that includes as an actual or possible conflict of interest whether or not a member of the employee's immediate family works for a firm doing, or seeking to do, business with the Authority.
- (c) Mark one with an "X":
 - To the best of my knowledge and belief, no employee of my firm is related to an Authority employee; or
 - An employee of my firm is related to an Authority employee and a letter to the Contracting Officer explaining that relationship is attached to this Exhibit A.
- (d) The requirements of this certification have been passed through to all first-tier subcontractors or subconsultants anticipated to be used at the time of the submission of my offer.

Non-Discrimination Assurance

The proposer certifies that it will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or sex in the performance of this contract. The proposer understands that it is required to insert the substance of this clause in all subcontracts and purchase orders. Failure by the proposer to carry out these requirements will be considered a material breach of the resulting contract, which may result in the termination of the contract or such other remedy as the Authority deems appropriate. The proposer further agrees by submitting this offer that it will include this certificate, without modification, in all subcontracts and purchase orders.

10. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goals

If goals have been established, by submission of this offer, the proposer certifies that it will comply with the provisions of Exhibit G entitled "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Provisions," and will meet such goals as are established in any ensuing contract.

11. Execution of Contract

Jpon award of this solicitation by ⁻	TBARTA's Governing Board,	the Proposer agrees to	execute the contract att	ached as
Exhibit K				

SIGNATURE BLOCK FOR ALL REPRESENTATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS
NAME OF PROPOSER & ADDRESS (INCLUDE ZIP & PHONE)
Signature:
TYPE NAME:
DATE:

PROPOSERS MUST SET FORTH FULL, ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION AS REQUIRED BY THIS SOLICITATION (INCLUDING THIS ATTACHMENT). FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RENDER THE OFFER NONRESPONSIVE OR UNACCEPTABLE.

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TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

EXHIBIT B

SPECIAL SOLICITATION INSTRUCTIONS and CONDITIONS Regional Transit Development Plan (RTDP)

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1. Introduction

The Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) is requesting submission of qualifications from experienced planning firms to provide services related to the creation of a Regional Transit Development Plan including but not limited to the prioritization of projects, implementation program, and organization strategy.

Created in 2007 pursuant to Chapter 343, Part IV, Florida Statutes, TBARTA is an Independent Special District of the State of Florida and subject to the provisions of Chapter 189, Florida Statutes (Uniform Special District Accountability of 1989). Compliance with governance of TBARTA is being assessed primarily in accordance with Chapters 343 and 189, Florida Statutes, although it will include other applicable statutes. As an agency of the state, TBARTA is not subject to taxation.

The work to be performed is funded through a grant received from the State of Florida and subject to the rules, requirements and expectations of the grant award.

2. Proposal Format and Preparation

- (a) The following paragraphs detail the instructions and order to be followed in preparing a response to this RFQ. The Authority reserves the right to reject any proposal as non-responsive, in its sole and absolute discretion, if the proposal fails to include any of the required information or fails to present the information in the specified order.
- (b) Proposers shall submit one hard copy, appropriately marked "ORIGINAL," and one electronic copy of the proposal. Proposals must be received in the location and before the time and date on the solicitation cover sheet (Solicitation, Offer and Award Form CS-01).
- (c) Each part of the proposal should be clearly labeled and tabbed for easy reference. The proposal shall be submitted in 8 ½" by 11" format with foldouts utilized as necessary. Organization charts may be one (1) 11x17 foldout landscape. Font size minimum 11.
- (d) To aid in the timely, effective review of all proposals, it is required that each proposer closely follow the content requirements provided in Paragraph 3 and 4 below.
- (e) Proposals shall be typed. Proposals should be prepared as simply and economically as possible while providing straightforward, concise information of the Proposer's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of this RFQ. Fancy binding, colored displays, and promotional material, etc. are neither necessary nor desired. <u>Doubled sided printing of the original document is preferred.</u> Technical literature about the Proposer's experience and qualifications must be included. The emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content. Unnecessarily elaborate proposals or lengthy presentations are not desired.
- (f) Proposals shall include a "Table of Contents" identifying the page numbers of where to find the various sections included in the proposal. Failure by a Proposer to respond to any of the following requirements may be a basis for elimination from consideration during the evaluation.

3. Statements of Qualifications

- (a) TBARTA is seeking qualifications statements from <u>firms with expertise in transportation and transit planning including</u> the development of transit development plans and other strategic and visioning processes.
- (b) The selection process in response to this RFQ will be accomplished in accordance with Chapter 287.055, Florida Statutes, the "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act" (CCNA). If any parts of this RFQ with regard to matters covered by the CCNA suggest any conflict with the CCNA, the CCNA shall control.

4. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on "Technical Acceptability." A breakdown of points is provided below for 1,000 Total Maximum Points for "Technical Acceptability." All criteria are important, however, and it would be wrong to assume the criteria listed last are insignificant. In responding to Evaluation Criteria 1 to 5 below, the proposer should organize its proposal so that the qualifications are clearly illustrated in each of the following categories.

No.	Criteria	Maximum Points
1	Cover Letter and Required Submittals	0
2	Organization and Personnel qualifications	300
3	Understanding/Approach to the scope of work	500
4	Relevant experience	200
5	Exceptions to Terms and Conditions	0
Total Points		1000

Section 1 - Cover Letter - 1 Page Maximum (No Points)

- A cover letter transmitting the proposal must be submitted and dated. The letter should describe the Proposer's interest in the contract and brief description of general approach or unique features of the Proposer or team.
- The cover letter shall also contain the name, title, address, E-mail address, and telephone number(s) of an individual(s) with authority to bind the Proposer during the period in which TBARTA is evaluating proposals.
- The cover letter shall identify the legal form of the Proposer. If the Proposer is a corporation, the cover letter shall identify in which state the company was incorporated. The letter should also include a description of the Proposer. If a consortium, joint venture or team approach is being proposed, provide the above information for all participating entities.
- The cover letter shall be signed by a principal of the Proposer or other person fully authorized to act on behalf of the Proposer or team. The letter must indicate that the Proposer agrees to be bound by the contract upon award without modifications, unless mutually agreed to upon further negotiations between TBARTA and the Proposer.

Section 2 –Organization and Personnel Qualifications – 6 Page Max plus Resumes (300 Maximum Points)

- Describe applicable and pertinent qualifications of the project manager, including education, professional licenses, training, overall experience, and length of employment with firm. Describe previous experience of the project manager relative to similar work within the last ten (10) years. Include references (50 Total Maximum Points)
- Describe the team organization, including technical functions to be performed by the firm and subconsultants. Describe who will perform the key elements of the work and where the work will be conducted (list both prime and sub-consultants). Include an organizational chart. (125 Total Maximum Points)

- Include resumes of the project manager(s) and key personnel (inclusive of all relevant joint venture and subcontractor personnel) who will be assigned to the project. Resumes must be complete and concise, featuring experience that is most directly relevant to the task responsibility to which the individual will be assigned. Resumes must be dated (e.g., dates of education, experience, employment, etc.) and must state the function(s) to be performed on the project by each of the key personnel. (100 Total Maximum Points)
- Describe availability and commitment of key staff to the project. Describe additional personnel resources available to be committed to the contract. (25 Total Maximum Points)

Section 3 – Understanding/Approach to the scope of work- 10 Page Maximum (500 Maximum Points)

- Provide a detailed description of the performance of the tasks described in the Scope of Work.
 Demonstrate understanding of the work and issues facing the agency/region and how this project can
 help to resolve these issues. Specifically describe how to maximize the use of recently completed
 regional projects in the development of the RTDP. Highlight the most critical areas of the scope on which
 the consultant team will be most focused. (200 Total Maximum Points)
- Provide any recommendations to enhance the Scope of Work contemplated and/or alternative methods to
 promote efficiency/innovation. Include the description of interim deliverables and/or the most critical tasks
 including how to maximize the resources available for this project to the benefit of the agency and the
 region. (100 Total Maximum Points)
- Provide a timeline showing the various tasks and deliverables demonstrating the firm's ability to meet the schedule and key delivery dates. Include detail about public engagement activities that improves community awareness of the project and the agency. (100 Total Maximum Points)
- Describe project management and coordination procedures. Include how the firm plans to communicate and coordinate with TBARTA staff as well how the firm will manage sub-consultants and disciplines. Include specific tasks to be performed by the agency and how the firm will accommodate those tasks if the technical ability or staff capacity is not available. (75 Total Maximum Points)
- Describe how your quality control policies/procedures will be applied to this project. Describe the approach your Firm would use to keep the Scope of Work on Schedule and within Budget. (25 Total Maximum Points)

Section 4 - Relevant Experience - 3 Page Maximum (200 Maximum Points)

Provide an overview of three relevant projects where similar work was performed, including a description of
relevant issues and outcomes. Provide a statement of how specifically the reference project relates to
TBARTA. Note instances of where the proposed team was similarly involved in the referenced projects. In
addition to the overview of the project, please provide the name, address, point of contact, telephone number,
e-mail address, and the project completion date for each project. These do not necessarily have to be
previous TDP projects. (200 Total Maximum Points)

Section 5 - Exceptions - (No Points)

Exceptions to, or variances from, any portion of this RFQ, including the Statement of Work (Exhibit H), Schedules, Special Provisions (Exhibit D), Addendum to General Provisions (Exhibit E), General Provisions (Exhibit F), the Contract (Exhibit K) etc., shall not be considered unless the proposer specifically identifies them in this Section 5 of its proposal. Exceptions are, however, strongly discouraged and may not be accepted by the Authority. Proposers are strongly encouraged to contact the Purchasing Agent, identified in block 3 of CS-01 form, well in advance of the deadline for receipt of offers with any proposed changes to the Authority's terms and conditions.

5. Evaluation Procedure for Initial Qualification

- (a) An evaluation committee will be appointed to evaluate proposals submitted in response to this RFQ in accordance with the CCNA and to make a recommendation to TBARTA's Board of Directors. The proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria outlined above and the CCNA. Qualified proposers will be those determined by TBARTA's Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, to have achieved 80 percent of the total maximum points for technical acceptability. However, TBARTA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if it is determined to be in the best interest of TBARTA.
- (b) The Authority reserves the right to investigate the qualifications of all Proposers under consideration and to confirm any part of the information furnished by a Proposer, and/or to require other evidence of managerial, financial or technical capabilities which are considered necessary for the qualifications evaluation.

6. Questions Concerning the Solicitation

Questions and requests for clarification relating to this solicitation, shall be submitted in writing, to the contact person identified in the solicitation by mail, facsimile or commercial courier, at least five (5) working days in advance of the offer submission due date and time, which is the minimum time required for the Authority's reply to reach proposers before the offer submission due date and time, as required by the "Acknowledgement of Amendments to the Request for Qualifications" clause. Questions received less than five (5) working days in advance of the offer submission due date and time will be responded to only if the Authority determines that the question and its response would have a material and substantive impact on the solicitation.

7. Order of Precedence:

In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of the solicitation, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) the Form of Contract (Exhibit K);
- (2) the Pricing Schedule (Form S-01);
- (3) Representations and Certifications (Exhibit A; Form A-02);
- (4) Special Solicitation Instructions and Conditions (Exhibit B; Form B-01);
- (5) Solicitation Instructions and Conditions (Exhibit C; Form C-06);
- (6) Addendum to General Provisions (Exhibit E; Form E-01);
- (7) Special Provisions (Exhibit D; Form D-01);
- (8) General Provisions (Exhibit F); and
- (9) the specifications or statement of work (Exhibit H);
- (10) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Provisions (Exhibit G); and
- (11) the Cover Sheet (Form CS-01).

8. Incorporation of Proposer's Proposal

The successful proposer's proposal will be incorporated into the resulting contract, by reference or full text. This includes any revisions and supplements through the date set for submission of best and final offers, if applicable.

TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

EXHIBIT C

SOLICITATION INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS

(REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES)

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1. Preparation of Offers

- (a) Proposers are expected to examine the Schedule, solicitation instructions, Special Provisions, General Provisions, all drawings, specifications, the statement of work, and all other provisions of, and exhibits to, this solicitation, whether incorporated by reference or otherwise, prior to the submission of proposals. Failure to do so will be at the Proposer's sole risk.
- (b) Each proposer shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. Proposers shall sign and print or type their name on the form provided by the Authority for submitting a proposal and each continuation sheet on which they make an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Proposals signed by an agent of the proposer (other than an officer or a partner of the proposer) are to be accompanied by evidence of the agent's authority (unless such evidence has been previously furnished to the Authority).
- (c) Pricing for the goods or services offered shall be provided at the appropriate time in the CCNA process by proposers in the format required by the Authority. Where goods are being offered, the prices offered shall include packing unless otherwise specified. In case of any discrepancy between a unit price and any extended or total price, the unit price will be presumed to be correct, subject, however, to correction to the same extent and in the same manner as any other mistake.
- (d) Offers for property or services other than those specified in the Schedule will not be considered.
- (e) The Proposer must state a definite time for delivery of goods or for performance of services unless otherwise specified in the solicitation. All measurements shall be in the system of weights and measures in common usage in the United States, and pricing shall be in U.S. dollars.
- (f) In computing any period of time for this solicitation or any resulting contract, "days" means calendar days, and the day of the event from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included, but the last day shall be included unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal or State of Florida holiday, in which event the period shall run to the end of the next business day.
- (g) Proposers are responsible for all costs and expenses incurred preparing and submitting its proposal, and participating in the solicitation process. TBARTA shall not be responsible to any Proposer for such costs.

2. Confidential Data

Each Proposer shall clearly mark each page of the proposal that contains trade secrets or other confidential commercial or financial information which the proposer believes is exempt from disclosure under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. If a Proposer fails to clearly mark such information, or marks its entire proposal as a confidential trade secret, the Authority will be under no obligation to treat such information as confidential or exempt under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Evaluation and disclosure of information marked according to the requirements of this section will be determined by the Authority in accordance with the Florida laws, rules and regulations.

3. Explanation to Proposers

Any explanation desired by a proposer regarding the meaning or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must be requested in writing from the Authority's Purchasing Agent and with sufficient time allowed for a reply to reach proposers before the submission of offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of any contract, at any pre-proposal conferences or otherwise, will not be binding on the Authority. Any information given to a Proposer concerning an interpretation of this solicitation will be furnished as an amendment to this solicitation, if such information is necessary to Proposers in submitting offers on this solicitation or if the lack of such information would be prejudicial to uninformed proposers.

4. Procurement Confidentiality, Cone of Silence

Proposers are cautioned that until this solicitation is either awarded or cancelled, they may have contact only with the Purchasing Agent identified in block 3 of the solicitation Offer and Award Form (CS-01), Offer and Award Form. Discussions or communications regarding this solicitation with any other personnel associated in any capacity with the Authority, its consultants, contractors or members of its Governing Board, are strictly prohibited, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.

5. Pre-Proposal Conference and Questions Concerning the Solicitation

- (a) A pre-proposal conference may be held for all interested parties to discuss the solicitation requirements.
- (b) Questions and requests for clarification relating to this solicitation, shall be submitted in writing, to the contact person identified in Block 3 of the Solicitation Offer and Award form by mail, facsimile or commercial courier, at least three (3) working days in advance of the scheduled conference to allow sufficient time for responses to be considered and prepared by the Authority. Questions concerning this solicitation that are not addressed at the conference, if one is held, shall be submitted in writing no later than five (5) working days in advance of the proposal submission due date and time.

6. Acknowledgment of Amendments to Request for Proposals

- (a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions, which are not modified, remain unchanged.
- (b) Proposers shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation: (1) by signing and returning the amendment; or (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer. The Authority must receive the acknowledgment by the time and at the place specified for receipt of offers.

7. Submission of Offers

- (a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes or sealed cartons and submitted to the Authority at the address specified in the solicitation. The proposer shall show the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers, the solicitation number, and the proposer's name, address, and telephone number on the face of the envelope or carton.
- (b) Electronic (email, facsimile) offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, proposers may be modified or withdrawn by written, electronic (email, facsimile) notice, provided such notice is received prior to the hour and date specified for receipt of offers.
- (c) Samples of items, when required, must be submitted within the time specified and, unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, at no expense to the Authority. If not destroyed by testing, samples will be returned at the proposer's request and expense, unless otherwise specified in the solicitation

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(d) Each copy of the proposal shall include the legal name of the proposer and a statement whether the Proposer is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, or any other legal entity. An offer from a corporation shall further give the state of incorporation.

8. Late Submissions,

Any offer received at the office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is the only offer received and is received on the date specified for receipt of offers.

- (a) The only acceptable evidence to establish:
 - (1) the date of mailing of a late proposal or modification sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. Postal Service postmark on both the envelope and wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. If neither postmark shows a legible date, the offer, modification or withdrawal shall be deemed to have been mailed late. The term "postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression, exclusive of a postage meter machine impression, that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed on the date of mailing by an employee of the U.S. Postal Service. Therefore, Proposers should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye "postmark" on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper; and
 - (2) the time of receipt at the Authority is the time-date stamp of the Authority on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the Authority.
 - (3) the date of mailing of a late proposal, modification, or withdrawal sent by U. S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U. S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision. Therefore, proposers should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's-eye "postmark" on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

9. Authority-Furnished Property

No material, labor, or facilities will be furnished by the Authority unless otherwise provided for in this solicitation.

10. Discounts

- (a) Prompt payment discounts will not be considered in evaluating proposals for award, unless otherwise specified in this solicitation. However, offered discounts will be taken if payment is made within the discount period, even though not considered in the evaluation of proposals.
- (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from (1) the date of completion of performance of the services or delivery of the supplies to the carrier if acceptance is at a point of origin, or date of delivery at destination or port of embarkation if delivery and acceptance are at either of these points, or (2) the date the correct invoice or voucher is received in the office specified by the Authority, if the latter is later than the date of performance or delivery. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date of the Authority's check.

11. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Participation</u>

- (a) It is the policy of the Authority and the Department of Transportation (DOT) to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), as defined in Exhibit G of this solicitation and pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 26, are provided a level playing field, thus fostering an equal opportunity for them to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 apply to this solicitation. In this regard, all proposers shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 to ensure that DBEs have a level playing field and an opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. The Authority and all proposers shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and performance of DOT-assisted contracts or subcontracts.
- (b) In accordance with its DBE Policy, the Authority has established a goal for DBE participation in this solicitation. The proposer will be expected to meet or exceed, and/or demonstrate its good faith efforts to meet the goal. This goal, expressed as a percentage of the total contract price, including any increases that may occur, is set forth in Exhibit G of this solicitation.

(c) The Authority's DBE requirements are set forth in Exhibit G of this solicitation. Proposers are advised to carefully review Exhibit G including the requisite forms attached thereto. Proposers should undertake necessary steps to plan and adequately provide for compliance with the stated DBE utilization goal well in advance of the date specified for receipt of offers.

12. Award of Contract

- (a) The contract(s) for this solicitation will be awarded by TBARTA's Governing Board to the responsible, responsive Proposer(s) selected as the most highly qualified. Award of the contract will only be made to the Proposer(s) which, in TBARTA's sole and absolute discretion, is responsive in all respects to the requirements of this solicitation, and is determined to be a responsible Proposer. In order to be considered for award, the Proposer must affirm and declare by submitting its proposal that:
 - (a) The Proposer has the capacity to do business within the State of Florida.
 - (b) The Proposer has the capability to assure completion of the required services within the time specified under this solicitation.
 - (c) The Proposer presently has the necessary facilities, financial resources and licenses to complete the required services in a satisfactory manner and within the required time.
 - (d) The Proposer is of lawful age and that no other person, firm, or corporation has any interest in its proposal or the contract proposed to be entered into.
 - (e) The Proposer is not in arrears to the Authority upon debt or contract and is not defaulting as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Authority.
 - (f) The Proposer does not consist of any member, officer, or employee of TBARTA or former member, officer, or employee which such positions at TBARTA within the past two years.
 - (g) To be "qualified" by TBARTA, the Proposer must have all state and local licenses as legally required that are necessary to perform and complete the work as called for herein.
 - (h) The Proposer is not on the Comptroller General's list of ineligible providers.

13. Rights of TBARTA in Solicitation Process

TBARTA may investigate the qualifications of any Proposer under consideration. TBARTA may require confirmation of information furnished by a Proposer, and require additional evidence of qualifications to perform the services described in this solicitation. In addition to any rights conveyed by Florida law, TBARTA specifically reserves the right to:

- (a) Disqualify any Proposer in accordance with the information contained in this solicitation
- (b) Reject any or all of the proposals, in its sole and absolute discretion
- (c) Remedy errors in the solicitation documents
- (d) Cancel the entire solicitation
- (e) Issue subsequent solicitation(s) for the same or similar services
- (f) Rank firms and negotiate with the highest ranking firms
- (g) Select the proposal(s) it believes will serve the best interest of TBARTA
- (h) Appoint evaluation committees to review proposals
- (i) Seek the assistance of outside technical experts to review proposals
- (j) Approve or disapprove the use of particular subcontractors and suppliers
- (k) Establish a short list of Proposers eligible for discussions after review of written proposals
- (I) Solicit best and final offers (BAFO) as part of its negotiations with the Proposers
- (m) Determine whether or not a Proposer is a responsible Proposer
- (n) Reject any part of a proposal
- (o) Negotiate with any, all, or none of the Proposers

- (p) Award a contract to one or more Proposers
- (q) Accept other than the lowest priced proposal
- (r) Request any necessary clarifications or proposal data without changing the terms
- (s) Disqualify Proposer(s) upon evidence of collusion with intent to defraud or other illegal practices on the part of the Proposer(s)
- (t) Waive any informalities or irregularities in any proposal, to the extent permitted by law

The issuance of this solicitation does not bind or commit TBARTA to enter into a contract with any of the Proposers and does not create any property interest or expectation of any award.

(b) The Authority may accept any item or group of items of any offer, unless the proposer qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in this solicitation, proposals may be submitted for any quantities less than those specified, and the Authority reserves the right to make an award on any item for a unit quantity less than the quantity offered at the unit prices offered unless the proposer specifies otherwise in the offer.

A written award (or acceptance of offer) which is mailed, sent electronically, or otherwise furnished to the successful proposer within the time for acceptance specified in the solicitation shall be deemed to result in a binding contract on the terms and conditions set forth in this solicitation and all exhibits, including the Contract (Exhibit K) without further action by either party.

14. Cancellation of Solicitation

This solicitation may be cancelled by the Authority before or after receipt of proposals in the sole discretion of the Authority.

15. Access to Records

- A) The Proposer agrees to provide TBARTA or any authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Provider which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.
- B) The Proposer agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- C) The Proposer agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Proposer agrees to maintain same until TBARTA or any duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.

16. Omission

Notwithstanding the provision of drawings, technical specifications or other data by TBARTA, the Proposer shall have the responsibility of supplying all details required to make an accurate proposal of services offered even though such details may not be specifically mentioned in the specifications of this solicitation.

17. Code of Ethics

With respect to this proposal, if any proposer violates or is a party to a violation of Chapter 112, Part III, Florida Statutes Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, such proposer may be disqualified from performing the work described in this proposal or from furnishing the goods or services for which the proposal is submitted and shall be further disqualified from submitting any future proposals for work or for goods or services.

18. Public Entity Crimes

In accordance with Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit proposals on leases or real property to a public entity, may

not be awarded or perform work as a proposer, supplier, subproposer, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.0 17 for Category Two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

19. Protest Procedures (Federally Funded Contract)

(e) <u>General</u>. Any interested party affected in connection with a solicitation, award of contract or rejection of all offers may submit a written Notice of Intent to Protest and a Formal Written Protest.

(f) Timeline for Notice of Intent to Protest

- (1) Protest of Solicitation. With respect to a protest of the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in a solicitation, including any provisions governing the methods for ranking offers, proposals, or replies, awarding contracts, reserving rights of further negotiation, or modifying or amending any contract, the Notice of Intent to Protest shall be filed in writing within seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the solicitation.
- (2) Failure to submit a Notice of Intent to Protest. Failure to submit the Notice of Intent to Protest within seventy-two (72) hours of the terms, conditions, and specifications of a solicitation and who continues to participate in the solicitation process, will be deemed to have waived any rights to protest the terms, conditions, or specifications of that solicitation.
- (3) Protest of Award of Contract or Rejection of All Offers. Any person who is adversely affected by the Authority's decision or intended decision to award a contract or reject all offers shall file a Notice of Intent to Protest in writing within seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the notice of decision or intended decision. Failure to submit the Notice of Intent to Protest within seventy-two (72) hours will result in the protest being rejected by the Authority without further consideration.
- (4) Notice Requirements. The Notice of Intent to Protest shall include at a minimum:
 - (i) the Notice of Intent to Protest shall be titled "Notice of Intent to Protest";
 - (ii) name and address of the protester;
 - (iii) identification of the procurement or contract;
 - (iv) name of the attorney and firm representing protestor, if applicable; and
 - (v) reasons for the protest.
- (5) <u>Timeline for Formal Written Protest.</u> The formal written protest shall be filed within seven (7) days after the date the Notice of Intent to Protest is timely filed. Failure to submit the Formal Written Protest within seven (7) days will result in the protest being rejected by the Authority without further consideration.
- (6) Written Protest Requirements. The Formal Written Protest shall include at a minimum:
 - (i) the Formal Written Protest shall be titled "Formal Written Protest";
 - (ii) name and address of the protester;
 - (iii) name of the attorney and firm representing protestor, if applicable;
 - (iv) identification of the solicitation;
 - (v) reason(s) for the protest;
 - (vi) requested relief;
 - (vii) the Protest must demonstrate how the protestor has been aggrieved as a result of the Authority's decision and shall include the facts, argument(s), and the law upon which the protest is made;
 - (viii) documents to substantiate the basis or ground for the protest; and

- (ix) the required Protest Bond.
- (g) No further consideration. Any documents, basis or ground(s) for a protest not set forth or provided in the formal written protest required under this provision shall be deemed waived.
- (h) <u>Protest Bond.</u> Any person who files a protest of a solicitation, award of contract or rejection of all offers pursuant to this section shall post with the Authority, at the time of filing a Formal Written Protest, a bond payable to the Authority in the following amounts:
 - (1) for a protest of a solicitation, the bond shall be \$5,000; and
 - (2) for a protest of an award of contract or rejection of all offers, the bond shall be equal to one (1) percent of the lowest offer submitted or \$10,000, whichever is less. If there is no offer submitted, the bond amount shall be \$10,000.
- (i) <u>Condition of Bond</u>. The bond required by this subsection shall be conditioned upon the payment of all costs which may be adjudged against the person filing the protest in the court which the action is brought and any subsequent appellate court proceeding. If, after completion of the court process and any appellate court proceedings, the Authority prevails, it shall recover all costs and charges which shall be included in the final order or judgment, including reasonable attorney fees. Upon payment of such costs and charges by the person filing the protest, the bond shall be returned to him or her. If the person filing the protest prevails, the bond shall be returned to him or her. The entire amount of the bond shall be forfeited if a court determines that a protest was filed for a frivolous or improper purpose, including, but not limited to, the purpose of harassing, causing unnecessary delay, or causing needless cost for the department or parties.
- (j) <u>Failure to Submit a Protest Bond.</u> Failure to submit a protest bond with a Formal Written Protest will result in the protest being rejected by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or CEO's designee without further consideration by the Authority.
- (k) <u>Time Computation.</u> Saturdays, Sundays, or Federal or State of Florida holidays shall be excluded in the computation of the time periods provided by this section.
- (I) <u>Delivery.</u> Notice of Intent to Protest, Formal Written Protests, and Protest Bond shall be sent via hand delivery or certified mail. <u>Electronic forms of delivery are not an acceptable means of delivery.</u> The protester is solely responsible for verifying that the written protest was received in a timely manner. Written protests should be addressed to:

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Attention: Executive Director 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700 Tampa, FL 33607

- (m) <u>Stay of Procurement.</u> Upon receipt of a timely filed Formal Written Protest and Protest Bond, the Authority shall not proceed further with the solicitation or contract award process until the protest is resolved by final Authority action, unless the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) sets forth in writing particular facts and circumstances which require the continuance of the solicitation or contract award process without delay necessary to protect substantial interests of the Authority.
- (n) Resolution of Protest.
 - (1) <u>Review of Protest.</u> The CEO or CEO's designee shall review all information and documents provided by the protester including the procurement file to make a determination on the protest.
 - (2) <u>Hearing or Opportunity to be heard.</u> The CEO or CEO's designee shall provide the protestor an opportunity to be heard on the issues stated in the protest.
 - (3) <u>Written Determination.</u> After the hearing on the protest and review of all evidence, the CEO or CEO designee shall provide a written decision to the protestor if the matter is not mutually resolved. The CEO or CEO designee shall take as much time as necessary to review the protest and make a written determination. The CEO or CEO's designee decision shall be final and conclusive unless within five (5) days of receipt of the written decision, the protesting party delivers a formal written appeal to the CEO.

20. FTA Protest Procedures

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Circular 4220.1F prescribes the limited circumstances under which FTA will review a protest and establishes the detailed procedures that must be followed by a protestor. Under those procedures, FTA will only review protests submitted by an "interested party" regarding: (1) the alleged failure of the Authority to have or follow its written protest procedures, or its alleged failure to review a complaint or protest; or (2) violations of Federal law or regulation.

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1. Type of Contract

- (a) This is a fixed price indefinite quantity, indefinite delivery contract for the supplies and/or services specified elsewhere in the Contract Documents (as defined in Exhibit H). The quantities of supplies and services that will be needed are estimates only and are not any guaranty of any amount of work under the contract to be awarded.
- (b) Except for any limitations on quantities, which may be specified elsewhere in this contract, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued.
- (c) Orders issued during the effective period of this contract, but not completed within that period, shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Authority's rights and obligations with respect to that order, to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period.

2. Term of Contract

The term of contract shall be for three (3) years from award of contract.

3. Availability of Funds

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond the current fiscal year. The Authority's obligation for performance of this contract beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Authority for any payment may arise for performance under this contract beyond the current fiscal year, until the Contractor receives notice of availability of funds, in writing, from the Purchasing Agent.

4. Notice to Proceed

A limited Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued following the award of contract to the selected team to cover scope of services for Phase I (preliminary engineering). Prior to completion of Phase I, scope of services and budget will be negotiated with the selected team for subsequent phases of the contract. Following successful negotiations, a second limited NTP will be issued for completion of Phase II (final design). After successful completion of phase II, scope of services and budget will be negotiated with the team for phase III (design services during construction).

Unless separately notified, all phases shall be completed within the contract term and budget authorized by TBARTA Board during contract award.

5. Invoicing and Payment

- (a) The Contractor may offer a cash discount for prompt payment.
- (b) Invoices may be submitted once per month and shall conform to policies or regulations adopted from time to time by the Authority. Invoices shall be legible and shall contain, as a minimum, the following information: (1) the contract and order number (if any); (2) a complete itemization of all costs including quantities ordered and delivery order numbers (if any); (3) any discounts offered to the Authority under the terms of the contract; (4) evidence of the acceptance of the supplies or services by the Authority; (5) unique traceable invoice number(s); and (6) any other information necessary to demonstrate entitlement to payment under the terms of the contract. Failure to provide the above critical information may result in the rejection and return of the invoice for resubmission with complete data.
- (c) Invoices shall be paid in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act, section 218.72 et. set., Florida Statutes, within forty five (45) days of the Authority's receipt of a proper invoice. To ensure timely processing of payments, all invoices must be sent to the attention of Accounts Payable at susan.ebner@tbarta.com or by mail to the following address:

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Attn: Accounts Payable 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700 Tampa, FL 33607

- (c) Progress payments will be allowed where a determination of work performed can be verified by TBARTA's staff and staff resource and where the schedule extends beyond a two-week period. TBARTA reserves the right to hold back all or part of payments due until any defective work is corrected or cured. This holdback shall not constitute a breach by TBARTA. If defective work cannot be cured or Contractor refuses to cure defective work upon request by TBARTA within a reasonable time as specified herein, TBARTA may use the holdback payments as partial liquidated damages for cost and expenses to cure the defective work. However, TBARTA has the right to seek additional damages beyond the holdback payments to cure defective work caused by the Contractor to the extent allowed by law.
- (d) The Contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 10 days from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from TBARTA. The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 10 days after the subcontractors work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of TBARTA.

6. Minimum Insurance Requirements

- (a) Before performing any contract work, the successful Proposer shall procure and maintain, during the life of the contract, unless otherwise specified, insurance to be determined by TBARTA. The policies of insurance shall be primary and written on forms acceptable to TBARTA and placed with insurance companies approved and licensed by the Insurance Department in the State of Florida in accordance with all laws, and meet a minimum financial AM Best rating of no less than:
 - "A Excellent: FSC VII."

Insurance certificates are to be provided to the Procurement and Contracts Administration Department as part of the bid response.

(b) The following amounts and types of insurance are the minimum requirements of the Contractor/Vendor. The required policies of insurance shall be performable in Pinellas County, Hillsborough County, Manatee County, Hernando County & Pasco County, Florida, and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. TBARTA reserves the right but not the obligation to revise any insurance requirement, or reject any insurance coverage which fails to meet the criteria stated herein at any time. TBARTA reserves the right to require Contractor/Vendor to provide and pay for any other insurance coverage TBARTA deems necessary, depending upon the possible exposure to liability or loss. These insurance requirements shall not limit the liability of the Contractor/Vendor. TBARTA does not represent these types or amounts of insurance to be sufficient or adequate to protect the Contractor/Vendor's interests or liabilities, but are merely minimums.

- (c) To document required insurance is in effect, Certificates of Insurance shall be provided to TBARTA during the life of the contract or work performed. No work shall commence under the Contract unless and until the required Certificates of Insurance are provided and approved by TBARTA. The required certificates shall be supplied with your proposal, on or within seven (7) calendar days of the Authority's request.
- (d) Required insurance shall be documented by Certificates of Insurance which provide that TBARTA will be notified at least 10 days in advance of cancellation, non-renewal or adverse changes. If notice provision is not provided by the insurance policies, Contractor/Vendor is responsible for such notification directly to PSTA Procurement and Contracts Administration Department.
- (e) Renewal Certificates of Insurance must be provided to TBARTA at least 10 days prior to expiration of current coverages so that there shall be no interruption in the service due to lack of proof of insurance coverages required of the Contractor/Vendor.

Any certificate of insurance evidencing coverage provided by a leasing company for either workers' compensation or commercial general liability shall have a list of employees certified by the leasing company attached to the certificate of insurance. TBARTA shall have the right, but not the obligation to determine that the Contractor is only using employees named on such a list to perform work on the jobsite. Should employees not be named be utilized by the Contractor, the Contractor has the option to work without penalty until TBARTA identify proof of coverage or removal of the employee by the Contractor occurs, or alternately find the Contractor to be in default and takes over the protective measures as needed.

Should at any time the Contractor not maintain the insurance coverages required of it, PSTA may either cancel or suspend delivery of goods or services as required by Contractor/Vendor or, at its sole discretion, shall be authorized to purchase such coverage and charge the Contractor/Vendor for such coverages purchased. A shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance or be responsible for the coverages purchased or the responsibility of the insurance company/companies used. The decision of TBARTA to purchase such insurance coverages shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of its rights. Contractor/Vendor is responsible for providing or requiring the same insurance and conditions for any subcontractors utilized for this project.

Notices and Certificates shall be issued to:

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Attn: Susan Ebner Address: 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700

Tampa, FL 33607

- (f) Except for workers' compensation coverage and professional liability coverage, the Contractor/Vendor's policies shall be endorsed to name "Tampa Area Regional Transit Authority, Board Members, Officers and Employees" as an additional insured to the extent of TBARTA's interests arising from this agreement, contract or lease.
- (g) The Contractor/Vendor is responsible for the amount of any deductibles, self-insurance or self-insured retentions.
- (h) Insurance required of the Contractor/Vendor shall be considered Primary and Non-Contributory, and insurance or self-insurance retention of TBARTA shall be considered excess, as may be applicable to claims which arise out of the Hold Harmless, Payment on Behalf of TBARTA, Insurance, Certificates of Insurance and any Additional Insurance provisions of this agreement, contract or lease.
- (i) <u>Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance</u> shall be maintained in force during the term of this Contract for all employees, subcontractors, or other persons engaged in the work under this contract, and shall not be less than:

Coverage A: Workers Compensation Coverage B: Employers Liability

Statutory benefits \$100,000 Limit Each Accident \$500,000 Limit Disease Aggregate \$100,000 Limit Disease Each Employee (j) Commercial General Liability insurance with Occurrence Form shall be maintained by the Contractor/Vendor. Coverage shall include bodily injury and property damage liability for premises, operations, products and completed operations, personal & advertising injury, independent contractors, contractual liability covering this agreement, contract or lease, broad form property damage, with the following minimum limits:

\$1,000,000 each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage

\$1,000,000 general aggregate (Per Job – Projects over \$100,000)

\$1,000,000 products completed operations aggregate

\$1,000,000 personal & advertising injury

The Contractor/Vendor shall purchase and maintain coverage on forms no more restrictive than the latest editions of the Commercial General Liability Policies of the Insurance Services Office. Excess or Umbrella Insurance Coverage may be used to make up the difference between the policy limit of the underlying policy and the total amount of coverage required.

- (k) Business Automobile Liability Insurance with Occurrence Form shall be maintained by the Contractor/Vendor for the ownership, maintenance and use of all its owned, non-owned, leased or hired vehicles with limits of not less than:
 - \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit Each Accident Bodily Injury and Property Damage

The Contractor/Vendor shall purchase and maintain coverage on forms no more restrictive than the latest editions of the Business Auto Policies of the Insurance Services Office. Excess or Umbrella Insurance Coverage may be used to make up the difference between the policy limit of the underlying policy and the total amount of coverage required.

(I) Umbrella Liability Insurance or Excess Liability Insurance, if used to reach the limits of liability required, shall be follow form any underlying insurance and in compliance with underlying requirements, including Additional Insured Provisions.

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- ✓ <u>Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions Liability</u> Insurance shall be maintained for professional services rendered in accordance with this contract:
 - \$1,000,000 Limit Per Occurrence

Insurance will be maintained for at least two (2) years from the termination of this contract with no change of the retroactive date on this insurance coverage. If there is a change that reduces or restricts the coverage carried during the contract, TBARTA must be notified within 10 days of the change.

- ✓ <u>Cyber Liability</u> Required for products or services that involve website or other electronic data or systems to include Data Breach, Media content, Privacy Liability, and Network Security. Contractor shall maintain limits of:
 - \$500,000 per occurrence.

If coverage is claims-made, the retroactive date shall be prior or equal to the effective date of any contract with TBARTA. The coverage shall include a "tail" or Discovery, or continuous renewal of coverage for a period of three (3) years following the completion of the project.

If work includes systems or other design work, Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions Liability shall also be provided.

7. Contract Identification Number

The contract number shall be clearly displayed on all correspondence, invoices and submittals.

TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

EXHIBIT E ADDENDUM TO GENERAL PROVISIONS

(FEDERALLY ASSISTED SUPPLY/SERVICES CONTRACT)

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The Contract clauses and provisions in this Exhibit apply to all Federally-assisted supply and service contracts. These provisions supersede and take precedence over any other clause or provision contained within this contract that may be in conflict therewith.

1. No Obligation by the Federal Government

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

2. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

- (a) The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.
- (b) The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(c) The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

3. Access to Records

The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- (a) The Contractor agrees to provide the Authority, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C. F. R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (c) The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Authority, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11).

4. Federal Changes

The Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between the Authority and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

5. Nondiscrimination

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

- (a) Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. 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. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- (b) Age In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- (c) Disabilities In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity

Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(d) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

- (a) Primary Covered Transactions. [This certification applies to the proposal submitted in response to this solicitation and will be a continuing requirement throughout the term of the contract.]
 - (1) In accordance with the provisions of Appendix A to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 29, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - (i) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency:
 - (ii) have not within a three-year period preceding this offer been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes, or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (iii) are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(ii) of this Certification; and
 - (iv) have not within a three-year period preceding this offer had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
 - (2) Where the offeror is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the offeror shall attach an explanation to this offer.
- (b) Lower Tier Covered Transactions. [This certification applies to a subcontract at any tier expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 and will be a continuing requirement throughout the term of the contract.]
 - (1) In accordance with the provisions of Appendix B to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 29, the prospective lower tier participant (subcontractor) certifies, by submission of this offer, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
 - (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
- (c) The Certification required by subparagraph (b), above, shall be included in all applicable subcontracts and a copy kept on file by the prime contractor. The prime contractor shall be required to furnish copies of certifications to the Contracting Officer upon the Contracting Officer's request.

Access Requirements for Individuals with Disabilities

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. and 49 U.S.C. 322; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. 794; Section 16 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended, 49 U.S.C. app. 1612; and the following regulations and any amendments thereto:

- (a) US. DOT regulations, "Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 CFR. Part 37:
- (b) US. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance," 49 CFR. Part 27;
- (c) US. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 49 CFR. Part 38;

- (d) Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 CFR. Part 35;
- (e) DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 CFR. Part 36;
- (f) General Services Administration regulations, "Construction and Alteration of Public Buildings," "Accommodations for the Physically Handicapped," 41 CFR. Part 101-19;
- (g) Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 CFR. Part 1630;
- (h) Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer Premises Equipment for the Hearing and Speech Disabled," 47 CFR. Part 64, Subpart F; and
- (i) FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 CFR Part 609.

Clean Air and Water Act

- (a) Definitions:
 - (1) "Air Act," as used in this clause, means the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seg.).
 - (2) "Clean air standards," as used in this clause, means:
 - (i) Any enforceable rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, limitations, orders, controls, prohibitions, work practices, or other requirements contained in, issued under, or otherwise adopted under the Air Act or Executive Order 11738;
 - (ii) An applicable implementation plan as described in Section 110(d) of the Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7410(d)];
 - (iii) An approved implementation procedure or plan under Section 110(c) or Section 111(d) of the Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7411(c) or (d)]; or
 - (iv) An approved implementation procedure under Section 112(d) of the Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7412(d)].
 - (3) "Clean water standards," as used in this clause, means any enforceable limitation, control, condition, prohibition, standard, or other requirement promulgated under the Water Act or contained in a permit issued to a discharger by the Environmental Protection Agency or by a State under an approved program, as authorized by Section 402 of the Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1342), or by local government to ensure compliance with pre-treatment regulations as required by Section 307 of the Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1317).
 - (4) "Compliance," as used in this clause, means compliance with:
 - (i) Clean air or water standards; or
 - (ii) A schedule or plan ordered or approved by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Environmental Protection Agency, or an air or water pollution control agency under the requirements of the Air Act or Water Act and related regulations.
 - (5) "Facility," as used in this clause, means any building, plant, installation, structure, mine, vessel or other floating craft, location, or site of operations, owned, leased, or supervised, by a Contractor or subcontractor, used in the performance of a contract or subcontract. When a location or site of operations includes more than one building, plant, installation, or structure, the entire location or site shall be deemed a facility except when the Administrator, or a designee of the Environmental Protection Agency, determines that independent facilities are co-located in one geographical area.
 - (6) "Water Act," as used in this clause, means Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seg.).
- (b) The Contractor agrees:

- (1) To comply with all the requirement of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7414) and Section 308 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1318) relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports, and information, as well as other requirements specified in Section 114 and Section 308 of the Air Act and the Water Act, and all regulations and guidelines issued to implement those acts before the award of this contract;
- (2) That no portion of the work required by this prime contract will be performed in a facility listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities on the date when this contract was awarded unless and until the EPA eliminates the name of the facility from the listing;
- (3) To use best effort to comply with clean air standards and clean water standards at the facility in which the contract is being performed; and
- (4) To insert the substance of this clause into any nonexempt subcontract, including this paragraph (b)(4).

9. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act- Overtime Compensation-Nonconstruction

- (a) Overtime Requirements. No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborers or mechanics in any workweek in which the individual is employed on such work to work in excess for forty (40) hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half (1-1/2) times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in such workweek.
- (b) Violation; Liability for Unpaid Wages; Liquidated Damages. In the event of any violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause, the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty (40) hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.
- (c) Withholding for Unpaid Wages and Liquidated Damages. The Contracting Officer shall upon his or her own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld. from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal Contract with the same Prime Contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act which is held by the same Prime Contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (d) Payrolls and Basic Records.
 - (1) The Contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of contract work and shall preserve them for a period of three (3) years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Nothing in this paragraph shall require the duplication of records required to be maintained for construction work by Department of Labor regulations at 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3) implementing the Davis-Bacon Act.
 - (2) The records to be maintained under paragraph (d)(1) of this clause shall be made available by the Contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or the Department of Labor. The Contractor or subcontractor shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.
- (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in this section.

10. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program

It is the policy of the Authority and the Department of Transportation that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have a level playing field and an opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 apply to this contract.

11. Energy Policy and Conservation Act

The Contractor shall recognize mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the State Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6321 et seq.).

12. Fly America Requirements

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 CFR Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and subrecipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

13. Notice of Federal Requirements

The Contractor is advised that Federal requirements applicable to this contract as set forth in federal law, regulations, policies, and related administrative practices will be incorporated by reference and are material to the terms and conditions of the contract pursuant to paragraph 16 below. The Contractor is further advised that such requirements may change during the performance of this contract and that any such changes shall be automatically incorporated and deemed to apply to this contract.

14. Officials Not to Benefit

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 arising from it. However, this clause does not apply to this contract to the extent that this contract is made with a corporation for the corporation's general benefit.

15. Restrictions on Lobbying

- (a) The Contractor shall timely comply with the requirements of the lobbying restrictions set forth in 31 U.S.C. § 1352 and 49 CFR Part 20, and as those authorities may be hereafter amended.
- (b) If a Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, is required to be completed by the Contractor or subcontractor at any tier, such disclosure form shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer.

16. Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms

These provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth herein. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this contract. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any TBARTA requests which would cause TBARTA to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

17. Recycled Products

The contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

18. Buy America Provision

This solicitation and the resulting contract are subject to the Buy America requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j) and the Federal Transit Administration's implementing regulations found at 49 CFR § 661, the provisions of each of which are incorporated herein by reference. These regulations require, as a matter of responsiveness, that the bidder or offeror submit with its offer a completed certification in accordance with 49 CFR § 661.6 or § 661.12, as appropriate.

19. Government-Wide Debarment and Suspension

- (a) The Contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the Contractor is required to verify that none of the Contractor, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945.
- (b) The Contractor is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (c) By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority. If it is later determined that the proposer or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

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Exhibit F

TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

EXHIBIT F GENERAL PROVISIONS

(ARCHITECT / ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT)

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1. Definitions

The following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

The term the "Authority" means the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority or TBARTA acting by and through its Board of Directors in duly scheduled public meeting(s);

The term "Contract" means the contract to be awarded as a result of this solicitation, which shall consist of the Contract Documents and any duly executed addenda thereto.

- (a) The term "Contractor" means the successful Proposer(s) which have been awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation.
- (b) "Contracting Officer" means the person administering this contract on behalf of the Authority or his or her duly appointed successor. The term includes, except as otherwise provided in this contract, the authorized representative of the Contracting Officer acting within the limits of his authority.
- (c) The term "Contract Documents" shall mean and refer to this solicitation and all schedules and exhibits attached thereto including all duly executed and issued addenda, Contractor's Best and Final Offer (BAFO), if any, and Contractor's proposal in response to the solicitation.
- (d) The term "Notice of Award" shall mean that certain notice provided to Contractor upon award of the Contract by TBARTA at a duly scheduled public meeting.

2. Independent Contractor

The Contractor at all times shall be an independent contractor. The Contractor shall be fully responsible for all acts and omissions of its employees, subcontractors, and their suppliers, and shall be specifically responsible for sufficient

supervision and inspection to ensure compliance in every respect with the Contract Documents. There shall be no contractual relationship between any subcontractor or supplier of the Contractor and the Authority by virtue of the Contract. No provision of the Contract shall be for the benefit of any party other than the Authority and the Contractor.

3. Composition of Contractor

If the Contractor is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

4. Subcontractors and Outside Consultants

- (a) Any subcontractors and outside associates or consultants required by the Contractor in connection with the services covered by the Contract Documents will be limited to such individuals or firms as were specifically identified and agreed to by the Authority in connection with the award of this contract. Any substitution in subcontractors, associates, or consultants will be subject to the prior approval of TBARTA.
- (b) The Contractor shall not employ any subcontractor, subconsultant, or other person or organization to provide services under the Contract against whom TBARTA may have reasonable objection. A subcontractor or other person or organization identified in writing to TBARTA by Contractor in its proposal and not objected to in writing by TBARTA prior to the Notice of Award will be deemed acceptable to TBARTA. Acceptance of any subcontractor, or other person or organization by TBARTA, shall not constitute a waiver of any right of TBARTA to reject defective work or otherwise hold the Contractor responsible for such work. If TBARTA after due investigation has reasonable objection to any subcontractor, subconsultant, other person or organization proposed by the Contractor after the Notice of Award, Contractor shall submit an acceptable substitute and the prices negotiated as part of this solicitation shall not be adjusted.
- (c) TBARTA may furnish to any subcontractor, subconsultant, or other person or organization, to the extent practicable, evidence of amounts paid to Contractor on account of specific work done.
- (d) All work performed by a subcontractor or subconsultant will be pursuant to an appropriate agreement between the Contractor and the subcontractor or subconsultant which specifically binds the subcontractor to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of TBARTA. However, TBARTA shall not be a party to such contracts.
- (e) In the event of any noncompliance by any of the subcontractors, Contractor shall be directly and wholly responsible for the noncompliance and shall bear all attributable costs.

5. Compliance with Public Records Law

Pursuant to section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, for any tasks performed by the Contractor on behalf of TBARTA, the Contractor shall: (a) keep and maintain all public records, as that term is defined in chapter 119, Florida Statutes ("Public Records"), required by TBARTA to perform the work contemplated by this Agreement; (b) upon request from TBARTA's custodian of public records, provide TBARTA with a copy of the requested Public Records or allow the Public Records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the costs provided in chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the term of this Agreement and following completion or termination of this Agreement, if the Contractor does not transfer the records to TBARTA in accordance with (d) below; and (d) upon completion or termination of this Agreement, (i) if TBARTA, in its sole and absolute discretion, requests that all Public Records in possession of the Contractor be transferred to TBARTA, the Contractor shall transfer, at no cost, to TBARTA, all Public Records in possession of the Contractor within thirty (30) days of such request or (ii) if no such request is made by TBARTA, the Contractor shall keep and maintain the Public Records required by TBARTA to perform the work contemplated by this Agreement. If the Contractor transfers all Public Records to TBARTA pursuant to (d)(i) above, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements within thirty (30) days of transferring the Public Records to TBARTA and provide TBARTA with written confirmation that such records have been destroyed within thirty (30) days of transferring the Public Records. If the Contractor keeps and maintains Public Records pursuant to (d)(ii) above, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining Public Records. All Public Records stored electronically must be provided to TBARTA, upon request from TBARTA's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology of TBARTA. If the Contractor does not comply with a Public Records request, or does not comply with a Public Records request within a reasonable amount of time, TBARTA

F-03 (AUG 17) Page 2 of 9 Exhibit F may pursue any and all remedies available in law or equity including, but not limited to, specific performance. The provisions of this section only apply to those tasks in which the Contractor is acting on behalf of TBARTA.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

Telephone number: 813-282-8200 E-mail address: susan.ebner@tbarta.com Mailing address: Attn: Public Records Department 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700, Tampa, FL 33607.

6. Standards of Performance

The Contractor shall perform all services required by the Contract Documents in accordance with high professional standards prevailing in the Contractor's field of work.

7. Changes

- (a) The Contracting Officer may, at any time, by written order, make changes within the scope of the services to be performed. However, no such change shall serve to increase the maximum contract amount as awarded by TBARTA's Board of Directors ("Contract Total"), to give the Contractor a claim for any compensation that would exceed the Contract Total, nor to increase the Contract Term as set forth in Exhibit D. In the event any change would result in an increase in the Contract Total or Contract Term, Contractor shall notify TBARTA within seven (7) days in writing. The written notice shall state in all capital, bold letters that the change order would result in an increase in the Contract Total and/or Contract Term and shall include a statement outlining the reasons for the change, a complete description of the change, and detailed description of all matters related thereto. Such notice must be submitted and approved by TBARTA's Board of Directors at a duly noticed public meeting prior to performing any work contemplated by the change order.
- (b) No services for which an additional cost or fee will be charged by the Contractor shall be furnished without the prior written authorization of the Contracting Officer and no such additional costs or fees shall serve to increase the Contract Total.

8. Suspension of Work

- (a) The Contracting Officer may order the Contractor in writing to suspend all or any part of the work for such period of time as he or she may determine to be appropriate for the convenience of the Authority.
- (b) Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim for additional compensation or damages on account of hindrances or delays in the work from any cause whatsoever, including any delays or hindrances caused by TBARTA suspending all or any part of the work to be performed.

9. Excusable Delays - Force Majeure

- (a) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be considered to be in default under the Contract Documents if such failure is of no fault of its own and is directly attributable to: (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) fires, (3) floods, (4) epidemics, (5) quarantine restrictions, (6) strikes, (7) freight embargoes, and (9) (2) lightning, earthquakes, tornadoes, or other severe weather events directly affecting the performance under the Contract. In each instance, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.
- (b) Upon request of the Contractor, the Contracting Officer shall ascertain the facts and extent of the Contractor's failure to perform. If the Contracting Officer determines that any failure to perform results from one or more of the causes above, the schedule of services may be revised subject to all other rights of the Authority under the Contract.

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10. Ownership of Information

- (a) All data, technical information, materials gathered, originated, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of the contract, including, but not limited to, all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video and/or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying documentation and print-outs, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, regardless of the state of completion, which are prepared for or are a result of the services required under the Contract shall be and remain the property of the TBARTA and shall be delivered to TBARTA upon 30 days' notice from TBARTA. With respect to software computer programs and/or source codes developed for TBARTA, the work shall be considered "work for hire", i.e., TBARTA, not the Contractor or subcontractor, shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs and/or source codes developed. To the extent that any of such materials may not, by operation of law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of the Contract, the Contractor or subcontractor agrees to assign to TBARTA all right, title and interest in and to any copyright, and TBARTA shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name any copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available.
- (b) Should the Contractor anticipate bringing pre-existing intellectual property as part of its work under the Contract, the intellectual property must be identified in the Contractor's proposal. Otherwise, the language in the first paragraph of this section prevails. If the contractor identifies such intellectual property ("Background IP") in its proposal, then the Background IP owned by the Contractor on the date of the contract, as well as any modifications or adaptations thereto, remain the property of the Contractor. However, upon the Notice of Award, the Contractor or subcontractor shall grant TBARTA a non-exclusive, royalty free license to use any of the Contractor's/subcontractor's Background IP delivered to TBARTA for the purposes contemplated by the Contract.

11. Examination and Retention of Records

- (a) If this is a cost-reimbursement type, incentive, time and materials, labor hour, or price re-determinable contract, or any combination thereof, the Contractor shall maintain, and the Authority shall have the right to examine, all books, records, documents, and other evidence and accounting procedures and practices sufficient to reflect properly all direct and indirect costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred and anticipated to be incurred for the performance under the Contract. Such right of examination shall include inspection at all reasonable times at the Contractor's plants, or such parts thereof, as may be engaged in or maintain records in connection with the performance under the Contract.
- (b) If the Contractor submitted certified cost or pricing data in connection with the pricing of the Contract or if the Contractor's cost of performance is relevant to any change or modification to the Contract, the Authority shall have the right to examine all books, records, documents, and other data of the Contractor related to the negotiation, pricing, or performance of the Contract, or change or modification, for the purpose of evaluating the costs incurred and the accuracy, completeness, and currency of the cost or pricing data submitted. The right of examination shall extend to all documents necessary to permit adequate evaluation of the costs incurred and the cost or pricing data submitted, along with the computations and projections used therein.
- (c) The materials described in (a) and (b), above, shall be made available at the office of the Contractor at all reasonable times for inspection, audit, or reproduction until the expiration of three (3) years from the date of final payment under the Contract, except that:
 - (1) if this contract is terminated, the records relating to the terminated work shall be made available for a period of seven (7) years from the date of termination or any final settlement or final decision or judgment in any litigation, whichever is later; and
 - (2) records which relate to any claims or appeals under the Disputes Clause in Paragraph XX below, or the settlement of claims arising out of the performance of the contract, shall be made available until such appeals or claims have been resolved.
- (d) The Contractor shall insert a clause containing all the provisions of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 hereunder, altered solely to reflect the proper identification of the contracting parties.

12. Inspection

(a) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Authority covering the services provided under the Contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Authority during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires not to exceed seven (7) years.

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- (b) The Authority has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the Contract, to the extent practicable, at all times and places during the Contract Term. The Authority will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work under the Contract.
- (c) If any of the services do not conform with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Authority may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with the Contract Documents at no additional cost to the Authority. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Authority may (1) require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to the requirements of the Contract Documents and/or (2) reduce the Contract Total to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.
- (d) If the Contractor fails promptly to perform the services again or to take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity with the Contract Documents, the Authority may (1) by contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the Authority that is directly related to the performance of such service; (2) terminate the Contract for default; or (3) reduce the Contract Total or any invoices due to Contractor for the work not performed in compliance with the Contract Documents.

13. Notice of Labor Disputes

- (a) If the Contractor has knowledge that any actual or potential labor dispute is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance under the Contract, the Contractor immediately shall give notice, including all relevant information, to the Contracting Officer.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (b), in any subcontract under which a labor dispute may delay the timely performance under the Contract; except that each subcontract shall provide that in the event its timely performance is delayed or threatened by delay by any actual or potential labor dispute, the subcontractor shall immediately notify the next higher tier subcontractor or the Contractor, as the case may be, of all relevant information concerning the dispute.

14. Licenses and Permits

The Contractor shall, without additional expense to the Authority, be responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses, permits, and approvals for complying with any federal, state, county, municipal, and other laws, codes, and regulations applicable to the performance of the work or to the products or services to be provided under the Contract including, but not limited to, any laws or regulations requiring the use of licensed contractors to perform parts of the work.

15. Compliance with the Law

The Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, county, and local laws, rules and/or regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities including those set forth in the Contract Documents that, in any manner, could bear on the Contract. Omission of any applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, standards or orders by TBARTA in the Contract Documents shall be construed as an oversight and shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to comply with such laws fully and completely. Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish to TBARTA certificates of compliance with all such laws, orders and regulations.

16. Federal, State, and Local Taxes

The Authority is exempt from Florida state and local sales and use taxes, and any such taxes included on any invoice or voucher received by the Authority shall be deducted from the amount of the invoice or voucher for purposes of payment.

17. Publicity Releases

All publicity releases or releases of reports, papers, articles, maps, or other documents in any way concerning the Contract or the work hereunder which the Contractor or any of its subcontractors desires to make for purposes of publication in whole or in part, shall be subject to approval by the Contracting Officer prior to release.

18. Removal of Contract Personnel

- (a) By assigning a person to work under this contract, the Contractor agrees to be responsible for the behavior of that person during contract performance.
- (b) The Contractor acknowledges that the Authority has the right to prohibit certain individuals from working on this Contract, if the Authority determines the individual to be negatively affecting performance of work under the Contract.

F-03 (AUG 17) Page 5 of 9 Exhibit F Examples of such behavior include: (1) conduct which poses a threat to the safety of anyone working under the Contract; (2) conduct which is disruptive to contract performance; (3) careless work performance; and (4) other behavior determined by the Contracting Officer to be objectionable or unduly hindering contract performance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained herein shall be construed as the Authority having any control or direction over the Contractor's employees, including but not limited to directing safety of such employees.

(c) Upon receipt of written notice from the Contracting Officer that an individual is prohibited from performing work on the Contract, the Contractor agrees to remove immediately that person from doing any further work on the Contract. The Contractor agrees that it is not entitled to any additional costs it may incur as a result of the prohibition of the person named by the Contracting Officer.

19. Soliciting or Accepting Gifts

Pursuant to section 112.3148(3), Florida Statues, no TBARTA employee shall solicit anything of value to the recipient, including a gift, loan, reward, promise of future employment, favor, or service, when they know, or with the exercise of reasonable care should know, that it is given to influence a vote or other official action related to the Contract.

20. Prohibited Interest

No member, officer, or employee of TBARTA or of a local public body during his tenure or two years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract or the proceeds thereof, except as provided by law.

21. Termination

The Contract may be terminated with or without cause in accordance with the provisions below.

- (a) <u>Termination for Convenience</u>: For and in consideration of \$10.00, if TBARTA determines that it is in its best interest to do so, TBARTA may terminate the Contract without cause upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the Contractor. If TBARTA terminates the Contract pursuant to this subsection, Contractor shall promptly submit to TBARTA its costs to be paid on work performed up to the time of termination. If the Contractor has any property belonging to TBARTA in its possession, Contractor shall account for the same and dispose of it as directed by TBARTA.
- (b) <u>Termination for Default:</u> TBARTA may terminate the Contract for cause at any time immediately upon written notice to the Contractor, if: (1) the Contractor fails to fulfill or abide by any of the terms or conditions specified in the Contract Documents; (2) the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the Contract Documents; or (3) the Contractor does not provide services in accordance with the requirements of the specifications in the Contract Documents. In its sole discretion, TBARTA may allow the Contractor an appropriately short period of time in which to cure a defect in performance or non-performance. In such case, TBARTA's written notice of termination to the Contractor shall state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions, if applicable. Should this Agreement be terminated by TBARTA for cause under this Section, Contractor shall be liable for all expenses incurred by TBARTA in reprocuring elsewhere the same or similar items or services offered by Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude the Authority from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default. The Contractor may terminate the Contract for cause if TBARTA fails to fulfill or abide by any duties or conditions specified in the Contract Documents, provided that Contractor must first provide notice of the alleged breach to TBARTA and give TBARTA thirty (30) days written notice to cure the alleged breach. If TBARTA cures the alleged breach or is making a good faith effort to cure said breach during the thirty (30) day cure period, Contractor may not terminate this Agreement.
- (c) If it is later determined by the Authority that the Contractor's failure to perform is a result of Force Majeure, the Authority may, in its sole and absolute discretion, may allow Contractor to continue performance under a new time for performance or treat the termination as if terminated without cause under Paragraph 21(a) above.
- (d) In the event TBARTA, in its sole discretion, determines that sufficient budgeted funds are not available to appropriate for payments due to Contractor under this Agreement, TBARTA shall notify Contractor of such occurrence and this Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the current fiscal period without any penalty or expense to TBARTA.

22. Resolution of Contract Claims and Disputes

(a) <u>Claims and Disputes Authority to Resolve</u>. All claims or disputes of the Contractor against the Authority relating to the Contract shall be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer for a determination in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph 22.

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- (b) <u>Definition</u>. Claims and disputes include all controversies arising under the Contract, including those based upon breach, mistake, misrepresentation, or other cause of contract modification, termination or rescission.
- (c) <u>Notice of Claim or Dispute.</u> The Contractor shall submit a Notice of Claim or Dispute in writing to the Contracting Officer within ten (10) days of issue giving rise to claim or dispute. The date of the issue shall include when the Contractor knew of the issue or should have known of the issue that gave rise to the claim or dispute.
- (d) Notice Requirements. The Notice of Claim or Dispute shall include at a minimum:
 - (1) the Notice of Claim or Dispute shall be titled "Notice of Contract Claim or Notice of Contract Dispute";
 - (2) name and address of the Contractor;
 - (3) name of the attorney and firm representing Contractor, if applicable;
 - (4) identification of the Contract; and
 - (5) Reasons for the claim or dispute.
- (e) <u>Failure to timely submit Notice</u>. Failure to submit the Notice of Claim or Dispute within ten (10) days of the issue that gave rise to the dispute or claim will result in the claim or dispute being rejected by the Authority without further consideration. The date of the issue shall include when the Contractor knew of the issue or should have known of the issue that gave rise to the claim or dispute.
- (f) <u>Delivery</u>. A Notice of Claim or Dispute shall be sent via hand delivery or certified mail. <u>Electronic forms of delivery are not an acceptable means of delivery</u>. The contractor is solely responsible for verifying that the Notice of Claim or Dispute was received in a timely manner. Notice of Claim or Dispute should be addressed to:

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Attention: Executive Director 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700 Tampa, FL 33607

- (g) <u>Timeline for Formal Written Claim or Dispute</u>. A Formal Written Claim or Dispute shall be filed within seven (7) days after the date the Notice of Claim or Dispute is timely filed. Failure to submit the Formal Written Claim or Dispute within seven (7) days will result in the Claim or Dispute being rejected by the Authority without further consideration and the Contractor will be considered to have waived any such claim or dispute.
- (h) Written Claim or Dispute Requirements. The Formal Written Claim or Dispute shall include at a minimum:
 - (1) the Formal Written Claim or Dispute shall be titled "Formal Written Contract Claim or Dispute";
 - (2) name and address of the Contractor;
 - (3) name of the attorney and firm representing the Contractor, if any;
 - (4) identification of the Contract;
 - (5) reason(s) for the claim or dispute;
 - (6) requested relief;
 - (7) detail of how the Contractor has been aggrieved including all facts, argument(s), and the law upon which the claim or dispute is based;
 - (8) documents to substantiate the basis or ground for the claim or dispute.
- (i) <u>No further consideration</u>. Any basis or ground(s) for the claim or dispute not set forth or provided in the Formal Written Claim or Dispute required under this provision shall be deemed waived.

<u>Written determination</u>. The Contracting Officer will issue a decision in writing and will mail a copy to the Contractor. The decision shall be final and conclusive.

(a) <u>Administrative Remedies.</u> This process is considered to be an administrative remedy and all contractors agrees to exhaust its administrative remedies under the Authority policies prior to seeking judicial relief of any type in connection with any matter related to the contract claim or contract dispute.

Unless otherwise directed by TBARTA, Contractor shall continue performance under the Contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.

23. Assignment

The terms and provisions of the Contract Documents shall be binding upon TBARTA and Contractor their respective partners, successors, heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives. However, the rights and obligations of the Contractor may not be transferred, assigned, sublet, mortgaged, pledged or otherwise disposed of or encumbered in any way without TBARTA's prior written consent. The Contractor may subcontract a portion of its obligations to other firms or parties but only after having first obtained the written approval of the subcontractor by TBARTA. TBARTA may assign its rights and obligations under the Contract Documents to any successor to the rights and functions of TBARTA or to any governmental agency to the extent required by applicable laws or governmental regulations or to the extent TBARTA deems necessary or advisable under the circumstances.

24. Governing Law & Severability

- (a) The Contract Documents shall be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Contractor consents to jurisdiction over it and agrees that venue for any state action shall lie solely in the Sixth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, Florida, and for any state actions shall lie solely in the U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, Tampa, Division.
- (b) If any one or more of the provisions of the Contract Documents shall be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and the Contract Documents shall be treated as though that portion had never been a part thereof.

25. Design According to Regulatory and Statutory Requirements

The Contractor represents and warrants that all designs and specifications will meet all applicable statutes, codes, regulations and ordinances; and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Authority from claims and costs arising out of errors and omissions relating to such statutes, codes, regulations and ordinances.

26. Notice and Approval of Restricted Designs

In preparing designs or specifications under of the Contract, the Contractor shall, to the extent practicable, make maximum use of structures, machines, products, materials, construction methods, and equipment which are readily available through competitive commercial channels, or through standard or proven production techniques, methods, and processes. Unless approved by the Contracting Officer, Contractor shall not, produce a design or specification such as to require in this construction work the use of structures, products, materials, construction equipment, or processes which are known by the Contractor to be available only from a sole source. As to any such design or specification, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer giving the reason or reasons why it is considered necessary to so restrict the design or specification.

27. Responsibility of the Architect-Engineer

- (a) The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, and other services furnished by the Contractor under the Contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or deficiencies in his designs, drawings, specifications, and other services.
- (b) Neither the Authority's review, approval, or acceptance of, nor payment for, any of the services required under the Contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of the Contract, and Contractor shall be and remain liable to the Authority in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the Authority caused by the Contractor's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under the Contract, including but not limited to claims for negligent or defective design(s) or specification(s).

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(c) The rights and remedies remedies provided by law.	of the	Authority	provided	for	in th	his	paragraph	are	in	addition	to	any	other	rights	and
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TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA) **EXHIBIT G**

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROVISIONS

(FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONTRACT WITH A DBE GOAL)

TBARTA's FY19, DBE Goal is 5%. TBARTA HAS ESTABLISHED A 5% DBE GOAL ON THIS CONTRACT. For assistance or with questions concerning the provisions in this Exhibit ONLY, contact Susan Ebner, at (813) 282-8200.

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1. Definitions and Interpretations

The Authority will utilize the following definitions to identify Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program eligibility standards. The following definitions and any other definitions related to the DBE program have the same meaning as defined in 49 CFR Part 26.

- (a) "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" or "DBE" means a for profit small business concern: (1) which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more socially or economically disadvantaged individuals, or in the case of a corporation in which 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals; and (2) whose management and daily business operation are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.
- (b) "Small Business Concern" means, with respect to firms seeking to participate as DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts, a small business as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act and Small Business Administration regulations implementing it (13 CFR Part 121) that also does not exceed the cap on average annual gross receipts specified in section 26.65(b).
- (c) "Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individual" means any individual who is a citizen (or lawfully admitted permanent resident) of the United States and includes any individual in the following groups, members of which are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged:
 - (1) "Black Americans," which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;
 - (2) "Hispanic Americans," which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese cultures or origin, regardless of race;
 - (3) "Native Americans," which includes persons who are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians;
 - (4) "Asian-Pacific Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Burma (Myanmar), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brunei, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands, Republic of Palau, the Commonwealth of

the Northern Marianas Islands, Macao, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Nauru, Federated States of Micronesia, or Hong Kong;

- (5) "Subcontinent Asian Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, Nepal, or Sri Lanka;
- (6) Non-minority American Women;
- (7) "Tribally-owned concern" means any concern at least 51 percent owned by an Indian tribe;
- (8) "Any individual groups whose members are designated as socially and economically disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration (SBA) at such times as the SBA designation becomes effective; and
- (9) Any individual who the Authority finds to be socially and economically disadvantaged on a case-by-case basis.
- (d) "DOT" means the U.S. Department of Transportation including the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).
- (e) "Good Faith Efforts" means efforts to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement that, by their scope, intensity and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the DBE program requirement.

2. Banks and Financial Institutions

The Contractor is encouraged to utilize the services of disadvantaged, minority and woman-owned banks and financial institutions. The identity of such banks is available at http://www.fms.treas.gov/mbdp/current_list.html and <a href="http://www.fms.treas.gov/mbdp/current_li

3. Certification and Directory of DBEs

- (a) All prospective DBEs must be certified through the Florida Unified Certification Program (UCP). The UCP provides "one-stop shopping" to applicants for DBE certification, such that an applicant need apply only once for a DBE certification that will be honored by all UCP members in Florida. TBARTA is a member of the Florida UCP.
- (b) The DBE firm will be verified as a certified DBE through the Florida UCP Directory. The UCP maintains an electronic DBE directory of all firms certified in Florida. The directory is located at http://www3b.dot.state.fl.us/EqualOpportunityOfficeBusinessDirectory/CustomSearch.aspx. The local certifying UCP agency is the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority (HCAA) located at the Tampa International Airport. Appropriate forms to apply for DBE certification are available at http://tampaairport.com/minority-and-disadvantaged-business-contracting.
- (c) The eligibility of a DBE certified joint venture will be determined on a project-by-project basis by TBARTA.
- (d) Offerors are reminded that only certified DBEs may participate in Authority contracts in such capacities. If Offerors propose using a DBE not currently certified, it is strongly urged that HCAA be contacted well in advance of the date set for receipt of offers in order to enable review of the proposed DBE's eligibility.

4. Credit Toward Goals

The Authority will count DBE participation toward the overall and contract goals as provided in 49 CFR 26.55. In addition, if the materials or supplies are purchased from a **DBE** regular dealer, count 60 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies toward **DBE** goals; do not count 100 percent of the cost.

5. DBE Modifications or Substitutions

This Provision applies to all modifications and substitutions under this Contract. The Contractor will be required to comply with this Provision to the extent needed to achieve the DBE goals agreed to at the time of contract award.

(a) If a prime contractor wishes to terminate or substitute a DBE subcontractor listed as fulfilling its contract goal, and then performs the work of the terminated DBE subcontractor with its own forces, an affiliate, a non-DBE subcontractor or with another DBE subcontractor, it must submit written documentation prior to the termination or substitution of the DBE subcontractor to the Contracting Officer. This will include any changes to items of work, material, services, or DBE firms that differ from those identified on the Intent to Perform as a DBE Subcontractor form(s) on file with the Contracting Officer. The Offeror/Contractor must provide any and all documentation and information as may be requested with respect to the requested change.

- (b) The Offeror's/Contractor's documentation shall include the specific reasons for the proposed change. Specific reasons that are acceptable include, but are not limited to: the DBE was not able to perform; the DBE was unable to produce acceptable work; and/or the DBE has submitted an unreasonable escalation in price. In the case of a DBE subcontractor being substituted by another DBE subcontractor, the Contractor should include the name, address, certification number and principal office of the proposed DBE firm. After providing an opportunity to the DBE Liaison to make a recommendation, the Contracting Officer will approve or disapprove the change.
- (c) If the change involves a subcontractor substitution, the Offeror/Contractor must make good faith effort to replace one DBE with another DBE. The substitute DBE firm must be certified by the Florida UCP in order for the Offeror/Contractor to receive credit toward fulfilling its DBE participation goal for the contract. In the event that the Offeror/Contractor is unable to contract with another DBE firm, good faith effort documentation must be provided to the Contracting Officer describing the unsuccessful attempts to locate a substitute DBE. In all situations, the Contractor may not terminate or substitute a DBE subcontractor without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer.
- (d) The Offeror/Contractor must submit a new Intent to Perform as a DBE Subcontractor form for the substitute DBE firm(s) with the request for change, to verify that the new DBE firm(s) is certified by the Florida UCP. The Contracting Officer shall notify the Offeror/Contractor in writing of his decision as expeditiously as possible. If the contract has been awarded and the Contracting Officer approves the proposed substitution in writing, the Contractor shall provide a copy of the executed subcontract agreement with the proposed DBE firm to the Contracting Officer within ten (10) business days of its receipt of the substitution approval.
- (e) If the change involves a modification, the Contractor must submit, if applicable, the <u>Intent to Perform as a DBE Subcontractor</u> form specified for contract modifications for any DBE subcontractor affected by this change. This form may be obtained from the Contracting Officer.
- (f) If the Contractor does not comply with this Provision, the Authority may elect to apply contract remedies as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, or other contract remedies, as appropriate. Additionally, the Contracting Officer may order that the profits from the terminated portion of the DBE subcontract be forfeited by the Contractor.

6. Demonstration of Good Faith Effort

- (a) If an Offeror does not meet the DBE goal, it shall nevertheless be eligible for award of the contract if it can demonstrate to the Contracting Officer that it has made a good faith effort to meet the DBE goal. This good faith efforts documentation should be submitted when the initial response to the Authority's solicitation is due. All contractors, including DBE prime contractors, are required to submit good faith efforts documentation, if necessary. In evaluating an Offeror's good faith effort submission, the Authority will only consider those documented efforts that occurred prior to the good faith efforts determination.
- (b) In the event that a firm submitted by an Offeror in accordance with the requirements of the Submission of DBE Utilization Forms and Related Documentation provision cannot be certified, the Offeror will be notified and given an opportunity to substitute that firm with a certified DBE firm. The Offeror will have ten (10) calendar days from the date of notification to accomplish the substitution. In the event the Offeror is unable to contract with another substitute DBE firm, the good faith efforts that the Offeror made in attempting to contract with a substitute DBE firm must be documented to the Contracting Officer at the end of the same ten (10) calendar day period.
- (c) In making a determination that the Offeror has made a good faith effort to meet the DBE goal, the Offeror shall furnish to the Authority, as part of its DBE utilization information provided under the Submission of DBE Utilization Forms and Related Documentation provision, such specific documentation concerning the steps it has taken to obtain DBE participation. By way of illustration and not limitation, the Authority will consider the following information:
 - (1) Whether the Offeror attended any pre-bid or pre-proposal meetings scheduled by the Authority to discuss, among other matters, DBE participation opportunities and acknowledged receipt of DBE certified vendor lists:
 - (2) Whether the Offeror advertised in general circulation, trade association, and/or minority/women-focus media concerning subcontracting opportunities;

- (3) Whether the Offeror provided written notice to a reasonable number of DBEs that their interest in the contract was being solicited in sufficient time to allow DBEs to participate effectively;
- (4) Whether the Offeror followed up initial solicitations of interest by contacting DBEs to determine with certainty whether the DBEs were interested;
- (5) Whether the Offeror selected portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood of meeting the DBE goals (including, where appropriate, breaking down the contract into economically feasible subcontracts to facilitate DBE participation);
- (6) Whether the Offeror provided interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, scope of work and requirements of the contract;
- (7) Whether the Offeror negotiated in good faith with interested DBEs regarding their capabilities, not rejecting DBEs as unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation;
- (8) Whether the Offeror negotiated in good faith with interested DBEs regarding price, using good business judgment and not rejecting reasonable quotes from interested DBE firms;
- (9) Whether the Offeror made efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, etc., as required by the Authority or the Offeror;
- (10) Whether the Offeror made efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services;
- (11) Whether the Offeror effectively used the services of available minority and women community organizations; contractor groups; local, State, and Federal business assistance offices; and other organizations that provide assistance in the identification of DBEs;
- (12) Whether the Offeror obtained written documentation from a <u>bona fide</u> surety company indicating that bonding was denied and for what reason(s), prior to the DBE being rejected as a potential subcontractor for failing to obtain Offeror-required bonding. Documentation furnished by a surety company will be subject to verification by the Authority; and
- (13) Whether other Offerors have attained a sufficient level of DBE participation to meet the contract goals.
- (d) The Authority will look not only at the different kinds of efforts that the Offeror has made, but also the quantity and intensity of those efforts. Efforts that are merely <u>pro forma</u> are not good faith efforts to meet the goal (even if they are sincerely motivated) if, given all relevant circumstances, the Offeror's efforts could not reasonably be expected to produce a level of DBE participation sufficient to meet the goal.
- (e) Offerors are reminded that the issue of whether or not the Offeror has met or exceeded the established goal and/or demonstrated good faith efforts is considered a matter of the Offeror's responsibility. The Authority will only award contracts to Offerors determined to be responsible. The Contracting Officer, after affording the Authority's DBE personnel an opportunity to make a recommendation, shall be responsible for determining the sufficiency of an Offeror's good faith effort to meet contract goals.
- (f) An Offeror that the Contracting Officer determines is not responsible may request administrative review and reconsideration under the Authority's Procurement Regulations. As part of any reconsideration, if requested, the Offeror may elect to meet in person with the Reconsideration Official (Chief of Administration) to discuss credit toward meeting the DBE goal or whether the Offeror made adequate good faith efforts.

7. Offeror's DBE Obligation

The Offeror's DBE Obligation is outlined in an Exhibit C provision entitled <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)</u> <u>Participation</u>, and the provision entitled <u>Non-Discrimination Assurance</u> found in Exhibit E of this Contract.

The requirements of 49CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is the policy of TBARTA to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this bid specification. These requirements apply to all bidders/offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal of has been established for this

contract. The bidder/offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 49CFR Part 26, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this contract

The bidder will be required to submit the following information: (1) the names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract; (2) a description of the work that each DBE firm will perform; (3) the dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating; (4) written documentation of the bidder/offeror's commitment to use a DBE subcontractor whose participation it submits to meet the contract goal; (5) written confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the commitment made under (4); and (6) if the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts.

8. Prompt Payment Documentation and Reporting

The Contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under the prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 10 calendar days from receipt of each payment the prime contractor receives from TBARTA. The prime contractor must agree further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 10 calendar days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced period may occur only for good cause following written approval of TBARTA. This language applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontracts. Failure to satisfy prompt payment to subcontractors no later than 10 calendar days from the receipt of payment from TBARTA may constitute a breach of contract and may result in termination of the Contractor for default or such remedy as the Authority may deem appropriate.

The Contractor and any subcontractors shall report and verify prompt payment through the Authority's <u>Vendor Compliance System</u>. The Contractor and all subcontractors are responsible for responding by any noted response date or due date to any instructions or request for information, and to check the Vendor Compliance System on a regular basis to manage contract information and contract records.

As provided elsewhere in this Contract, the Authority may withhold all or part of any payment otherwise due the Contractor if the Contractor fails to respond to the Authority by noted response dates and/or make prompt payments to its subcontractors, suppliers, materialmen or laborers.

9. Sanctions for Noncompliance with the Authority's DBE Program Provisions

Failure of the Contractor to carry out the Authority's DBE program provisions shall constitute a breach of contract and may result in termination of the Contractor for default or such remedy as the Authority may deem appropriate. The Authority reserves the right to apply legal and contract remedies available under Federal, state and local law, including but not limited to, responsibility determinations in future contracts, suspension and debarment procedures as outlined in 49 CFR Part 29, and forfeiture of profits as provided for elsewhere. The Authority will bring to the attention of the Department of Transportation any false, fraudulent, or dishonest conduct in connection with the program, so that DOT can take steps provided in 49 CFR Section 26.107.

10. Submission of Subcontractor Utilization Forms and Related Documentation

- (a) Each Offeror should submit to the Authority an executed <u>Intent to Perform As a DBE Subcontractor</u> form (Attachment 1) for each proposed subcontractor when the initial response to the Authority's solicitation is due. Good faith documentation (if necessary) should also be submitted at this time. The submission of this information is considered an issue of responsibility, and the Authority will not award a contract to any Offeror who has not supplied this documentation.
- (b) The Intent to Perform As A DBE Subcontractor form for each proposed subcontractor shall constitute a representation by the Offeror to the Authority that it believes such firm is ready, willing, and able to perform the work indicated. It shall also represent a commitment by the Offeror that if it is awarded the contract, it will enter into a subcontract with such subcontractor for the work described at the approximate price set forth in the Intent to Perform As A DBE Subcontractor form.
- (c) If the DBE Subcontractor participation changes after the forms have been submitted, but prior to award of the contract, the Offeror will be required to immediately notify the Contracting Officer of the changed amount and the reason(s) for the change. The modification and substitutions of DBE firms that occur shall be governed by DBE Modification or Substitutions provision of this Exhibit.
- (d) Except as authorized by the Contracting Officer, the successful Offeror shall enter into formal agreements with the subcontracting firms shown in the submitted Intent to Perform As A DBE Subcontractor form(s) within ten(10)

business days after receipt of a contract executed by the Authority. The successful offeror (Contractor) shall provide the Contracting Officer two copies of each agreement within three (3) business days of execution.

(e) If an Offeror is a DBE and lists itself on the <u>Intent to Perform As A DBE Subcontractor</u> form, it is required to perform the work indicated with its own work force.

TAMPA BAY AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (TBARTA)

ATTACHMENT 1 TO EXHIBIT G (INTENT TO PERFORM AS A DBE SUBCONTRACTOR FOR A CONTRACT AWARD)

All DBE subcontracting firms to be used on this solicitation must fill out this form.

DBE firms participating in TBARTA's contracting opportunities must have "current" certification status with Florida's Unified Certification Program (UCP) prior to award of this contract. If TBARTA determines that the firm is not an eligible DBE firm for TBARTA contracts and subcontracts, the prime contractor will be notified of the ineligibility of the listed firm. The submission of this form is considered an issue of responsibility and TBARTA will not award a contract to any Offeror who has not supplied this documentation.

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2.	Name of <u>DBE</u> Subcontracting Firm							
3.	Has the DBE subcontractor been certified as a DBE by a Florida UCP agency?							
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Pursuant to 49 CFR Section 26.107, any person [entity] who makes a false or fraudulent statement in connection with participation of a DBE in any DOT-assisted program or otherwise violates applicable Federal statutes and may be referred to the Department of Transportation, and possibly the Department of Justice, for prosecution.

Name of Declarant _	
Signature	
· ·	(Date)

Project Name: _____ TBARTA Solicitation #RFQ-TBARTA-002

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ATTACHMENT 2 TO EXHIBIT G

(SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION - SUMMARY OF SUBCONTRACTOR(S)/SUBCONSULTANT(S)/SUPPLIER(S)

Offerors should provide information on <u>all</u> of their prospective subcontractor(s)/subconsultant(s)/supplier(s) who will participate on this solicitation. Use additional sheets as necessary.

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Regional Transit Development Plan (RTDP) Scope of Services

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Overview:

The Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) is seeking proposals from qualified transit analysis and policy professionals to produce a Regional Transit Development Plan (RTDP) update for fiscal years 2020 through 2029. The 10-year horizon for the plan and all components listed within this scope of services shall be undertaken to meet the requirements of the State of Florida RTDP Rule.

1. Project Background:

During the 2017 Florida Legislative Session, The Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA) underwent changes to its name and organization as part of Senate Bill 1672. The updates to the legislation changed the name and focus of the agency to the Tampa Bay Area Regional *Transit* Authority and reduced the agency membership counties from seven to five; to include Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Hernando, and Hillsborough Counties (herein "5-county area").

2. Purpose:

As described in Senate Bill (SB) 1672, TBARTA is required to develop a Regional Transit Development Plan (RTDP) for the five-county area. The RTDP is intended to prioritize regional transit projects and provide a 10-year plan for transit projects in the five-county region that meets the requirements set forth within the Florida Administrative Code (FAC) and Rule Chapter 14-73.001, as well as other relevant state and federal requirements. The end product must be a product that will be accepted by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and compliant with the schedule to successfully deliver a FY 2020 plan. The minimum requirements are summarized at the end of the scope, on page 8.

In sum, this project must include:

- A. A plan to develop the institutional, organizational, and management structure for addressing implementation and operations of a regional transit service;
- B. An action plan for implementation;
- C. Alternatives and recommendations for meeting the regional transit needs and overcoming deficiencies;
- D. 10-year regional service and capital improvements, including funded and unfunded needs;
- E. Next steps and actions to move transit activities through the development process.

Additionally, a premium will be placed on the production of an easily accessible document which brings the most important information to the forefront. The consultant team should consider use of high impact visuals, infographics and use other methods to synthesize and efficiently convey information throughout the document in lieu of dense narratives which a reader must unpack. The ability to say more with less will be essential to the RTDP. Supportive data should be moved into the appropriate Appendices.

3. Objective:

The RTDP is intended to serve as a management and policy document, to provide TBARTA with information necessary for programming, planning, and to describe an up-to-date record of capital and operating budgets and related information across the 5-county area. The effort must envision what regional transit will look like over the entire 10-year horizon of the plan. A 10-year program of projects which do not consider the rapid transformation underway in mobility will be insufficient to meet the needs of this scope. The RTDP must contain elements which stimulate community conversation about transportation options both as they exist and must become.

4. Schedule and Key Delivery Dates:

- Chosen consultant team shall propose a draft schedule which initiates the RTDP upon notice to proceed.
- Notice to proceed is anticipated to be delivered no later than February 2019.
- The schedule will acknowledge and accommodate for the Long Range Transportation Plan adoption cycle and incorporate the discussion of regional projects and funding within the context of the LRTP. The schedule will include the development and delivery of a program of priority projects with regional significance
- A TBARTA Board adopted RTDP document shall be delivered to FDOT District 7 and 1 office within a delivery date and contents acceptable to FDOT.
- All work needed to ensure a final RTDP document to be accepted by FDOT will be completed within 12-18 months of NTP.
- The schedule should be designed to deliver a quality project that brings the maximum value to TBARTA as an agency within the allotted budget not-to-exceed \$600,000.

5. Project Tasks:

Key tasks to completing the RTDP and accomplishing the above objectives are listed below. Project updates will be provided on a bi-weekly basis to the authorized project manager(s) at the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority, and Florida Department of Transportation, District 7.

Task 1: Project Management

In order to effectively foster the project through to completion, proposers should identify a single project lead to coordinate all RTDP activities and actively manage the project schedule. Proposals shall identify relevant work experience for key staff to the project. Upon award and prior to the notice to proceed, a draft schedule shall be provided to TBARTA indicating both regularly scheduled and milestone driven project team meetings.

Each of the following tasks and sub-tasks shall require a technical memorandum to be provided upon completion for TBARTA review and comment with up to a 15-day review and subsequent 30-day revision window. In addition to the technical memorandums, the consultant team shall be responsible for the production of a final RTDP document, adopted and submitted to FDOT Districts 1 and 7.

TBARTA will work with the consultant to develop the final RTDP project work plan and schedule. A process will be established for a kickoff meeting and technical coordination and advisory of RTDP development, which may be in the form of an established Technical Advisory Group (TAG). Upon project kickoff, a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) will be prepared that identifies the mechanisms for public engagement, schedule, and stakeholders that will be involved in the process.

Deliverables under Task 1 include:

- 1. Project Work plan and Schedule;
- 2. Communication Protocol
- 3. Project Kickoff: Kickoff the RTDP with project stakeholders, engage the CAC, TMC, and a TAG to serve as a project advisory committee under the TMC.

Task 2: Regional Transit Development Plan

Sub-tasks in this section are organized in a manner to be consistent with the RTDP Rule. Within the context of and in addition to these requirements, consultant shall identify how they intend to meet the requirement of the Rule while including *value-added services* that shall extend beyond minimum requirements and integrate these activities into a larger comprehensive regional transit and transportation planning whole. Important to the proposal are the work plan and methodologies the consultant team proposes to meet the desired outcomes.

Subtask 2a: Public Involvement

Proposers should a) outline a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) that satisfies the requirements of the RTDP Rule and outlines a high-level strategy for leveraging existing outreach and acquiring only the necessary new data to fill out the public involvement process.

- A) Define a PIP for the RTDP that:
 - Uses emerging channels to reach users and non-users of public transit across the region, demonstrating within their proposal how these have been successfully used in other projects;
 - Identifies potential major events to target public outreach activities during the PIP phase;
 - Defines a process to reach all demographic groups including commuters, students, transportation disadvantaged, senior citizens, and the disabled community;
 - Solicits input from riders whose primary transportation is transit, riders who may use transit occasionally for certain trips, non-riders that would like to use transit at least for some trips and those who don't consider transit an option to meet their transportation needs:
 - Ensure that questions raised throughout the process are considered, responded to, documented and synthesized;
 - · Complies with federal civil rights and environmental laws and regulations
- B) High-Level Outreach Strategy that identifies and gathers the communities' transportation priorities and:
 - Identifies relevant already completed outreach activities;
 - Matches those existing outreach activities to public involvement plan needs;
 - · Identifies gaps;
 - Proposes public involvement activities to fill those gaps; and,
 - Conducts activities needed outreach to fulfill the PIP

In addition, TBARTA will conduct public outreach jointly with other plans and partners as often as possible. Additional stakeholder coordination will be conducted with agencies, local governments, and project stakeholders. TBARTA will also utilize its existing committee structures to provide guidance and oversight in the RTDP planning process, including the Board Policy Committee, CAC, and TMC. A TAG may also provide technical guidance during plan development, to ensure consistency with the local transit plans.

Deliverables under Task 2a shall include:

1. A Public Involvement Plan coordinating outreach and education activities with stakeholder agencies and input opportunities from the public;

2. Detailed strategy for coordinating existing outreach efforts and activities to fill identified gaps.

Subtask Task 2b: Review and Compile Data

Before conducting the analysis necessary for the RTDP, a review of each of the county RTDPs and the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan, in process at the time of this procurement, will be conducted, and appropriate data will be compiled to develop the regional networks and transit plan. To the maximum extent possible, existing data and planning analysis will be used in the development of the RTDP.

Data will be compiled from the following plans (not limited to):

- Local RTDPs:
 - o Hernando County: 2015 RTDP Major Update (FY 2016 2025)
 - o HART: 2017 RTDP Major Update
 - Manatee County Area Transit (MCAT): 2018 RTDP Major Update (to be adopted by September 2018)
 - Pasco County Public Transit (PCPT): 2018 RTDP Major Update (to be adopted September 2018)
 - o PSTA: 2015 RTDP Major Update (FY 2016 2025)
- Regional Transit Feasibility Plan Subject to change
- Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Master Plan
- FDOT planning efforts such as the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP), Strategic Intermodal System (SIS), and Tampa Bay Next
- Other transit plans and regionally-significant studies as applicable

Deliverables under Task 2b shall include:

- 1. A Technical Memorandum summarizing the findings of the review, and considerations for development of the final RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2c: Establish Baseline Conditions

Most of the data collected in the previous task will establish the baseline conditions. As indicated, data and analysis already conducted as part of the local RTDPs, the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan, in process, and other planning efforts will be used to the maximum extent possible. This will include, but not be limited to:

- Demographic, socioeconomic, land use, transportation, and transit data for the five counties
- · Physical description of area
- Population by age and income
- Base year socioeconomic data from the regional travel demand model (interpolated socioeconomic data for the 2028 planning horizon for the (RTDP)
- Population density
- Housing density
- Employment density
- Labor force
- Auto ownership
- Tourist and visitor levels
- Transportation disadvantaged population
- Land uses and densities
- Major trip generators

 Latest available transit operating data from National Transit Database (NTD) report and other data compiled and provided by region's transit agencies

Deliverables under Task 2c shall include:

- 1. A Technical Memorandum summarizing the baseline conditions and considerations moving forward with developing the RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2d: Evaluate Existing Transit Services

Utilizing the baseline conditions and data collection, plus additional consultation with local transit agencies, an evaluation of the existing regional transit services will be conducted. This will include:

- Regional transportation services inventory
- Regional trend analysis for fixed-route transit services
- Regional peer review analysis for fixed-route services
- Innovative Program Pursuits for agencies within the region
- Policy issues with regional impact

Deliverables under Task 2d shall include:

- 1. A Technical Memorandum summarizing the existing transit service evaluation and considerations moving forward with developing the RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2e: Identify Regional Mobility Needs

Regional mobility needs for three of the five counties will be identified within the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan, expected to be completed in November or December of 2018. The RTDP analysis will also incorporate the regional mobility needs of Hernando and Manatee Counties. This task will build upon the work prepared as part of the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan and local RTDPs to:

- Project regional ridership demand for fixed-route transit services over a 10-year planning period, assuming maintenance of existing service levels and implementation of a 10-year RTDP, using Transit Boarding Estimation and Simulation Tool (TBEST) or other FDOT approved methodology for estimating demand (e.g. STOPS Model being used in Regional Transit Feasibility Plan)
- Identify and assess needs for regional transit services (majority complete through Regional Transit Feasibility Plan), but building upon supporting bus network to support the major regional projects identified
- Identify and evaluate potential alternative improvements and/or new services/infrastructure to address needs
- Establish prioritization to rank various alternatives
- Prioritize potential alternatives for implementation plan development.

Deliverables under Task 2e shall include:

- 1. A Technical Memorandum summarizing the regional mobility needs of the five-county area and considerations moving forward with developing the RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2f: Conduct Situational Appraisal

The regional network development will consider the context of the region and individual counties. A situational appraisal will consider other issues and impacts that could relate to the implementation of the

regional transit projects such as policies, funding, and community/situational context. This effort will consider:

- Strengths and weaknesses of the transit organizations
- Impacts of land use, State and local transportation plans, policies, socioeconomic trends, organizational issues, and technology (existing and emerging)
- Transit demand throughout the region within a 10-year annual projection of transit ridership
- How existing and planned land use patterns will impact the transit services and plans
- · Assessment of environment, including coordination and transit connections
- Multimodal/intermodal centers (existing/proposed) and park-n-rides (existing/proposed)
- Context of other statewide, regional, and local transportation planning efforts

Deliverables under Task 2f shall include:

- 1. A Technical Memorandum summarizing the situational appraisal of transit services in the region and considerations moving forward with developing the RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2g: Identify Regional Vision, Mission and Goals for Regional Transit

In addition to the review of the community context and technical analysis, the public outreach feedback and stakeholder coordination will help to shape the vision, mission, and goals of regional transit. Working with the stakeholders, a vision statement for regional transit will be developed that supports the community's goals and objectives. This will be closely aligned with and build from existing visioning efforts done as part of the local RTDPs, the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan, and TBARTA Master Plan.

Deliverables under Task 2g include:

- 1. A Statement of Vision, Mission, and Goals for the RTDP;
- 2. Supplemental and ancillary materials and notes in Project Appendices, if applicable.

Subtask 2h: Regional Transit Development Plan Development

A 10-year plan will be developed that will incorporate an implementation action plan and financial plan for regionally significant and supportive projects. This plan will build upon the local RTDPs and Regional Transit Feasibility Plan, in process at the time of this procurement, and be consistent with State plans, MPO Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTPs), and local comprehensive plans.

The Existing Transit Evaluation utilize existing plans and ongoing planning efforts – i.e. Regional Transit Feasibility Plan – plus additional analysis for Manatee and Hernando counties)

Major elements of the RTDP 10-year plan will include, but not be limited to:

- Institutional, organizational, and management structure for addressing implementation and operations of a regional transit service
- Action plan for implementation
- Alternatives and recommendations for meeting the regional transit needs and overcoming deficiencies
- 10-year regional service and capital improvements, including funded and unfunded needs
- 10-year financial plan, including anticipated operating and capital expenses (utilize financial plans from RTDPs and outcomes of Regional Transit Feasibility Plan plus additional inputs from Hernando and Manatee Counties).
- Projected revenue by source and funding level
- List of opportunities and recommendations where no funding source is identified
- Next steps and actions to move transit activities through the development process

It is anticipated that a substantial amount of data and analysis can be incorporated from the local RTDPs and the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan. TBARTA's focus will be to prioritize the regional projects based on local priorities, implementation initiatives, and funding capabilities, to create implementation scenarios. This will include other initiatives and cooperative efforts between transit agencies that increase efficiencies and operational services as well.

All documentation and materials will be public friendly and made easily accessible.

Deliverables under Task 2h include:

1. A draft RTDP for review by the TBARTA Board, stakeholder agencies, and the public.

Task 3: Document Production and Delivery

The RTDP should be a thorough and detailed document, yet with the ability to read and be understood by the public. Contents should include an Executive Summary, a brief yet easily digestible synthesis of work done and most importantly, findings and/or recommendations that shall inform actions TBARTA could take over the short-term (1 to 2 years), mid-term (3 to 5 years), and long term (6 to 10 years) upon delivery of the documents. This deliverable extends beyond a restatement of what the documents produced by hosting an impactful consolidation with some narrative and key themes that emerge from the work. Electronic versions shall be provided in both PDF and word in addition to 5 printed copies.

The following table provides the Florida RTDP Review Checklist to ensure the RTDP meets all requirements.

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Checklist	Primary RTDP Elements and Sub-Elements Required by FDOT Public Involvement						
	Public Involvement Plan (PIP) drafted						
	PIP approved by FDOT RTDP includes descriptions of Public Involvement Process						
	Provide notification to FDOT						
	Provide notification to Regional Workforce Board						
	Situation Appraisal						
	Land Use						
	State and local transportation plans						
	Other governmental actions and policies						
	Socioeconomic trends						
	Organizational issues						
	Technology						
	10-year annual projections of transit ridership using approved model						
	Assessment of whether land uses and urban design patterns support or hinder						
	transit service provision						
	Calculate farebox recovery						
	Mission and Goals						
	Provider's Vision						
	Provider's Mission						
	Provider's Goals						
	Provider's Objectives						
	Alternative Courses of Action						
	Develop and evaluate alternative strategies and actions						
	Benefits of costs of each alternative						
	Financial alternatives examined						
	Implementation Program						
	10-year implementation program						
	Maps indicating areas to be served						

Maps indicating types and levels of service
Monitoring program to track performance measures
10-year financial plan listing operating and capital expenses
Capital acquisition or construction schedule
Anticipated revenues by source
Relationship to Other Plans
Consistent with Florida Transportation Plan
Consistent with local government comprehensive plan
Consistent with MPO long-range transportation plan
Consistent with regional transportation goals and objectives
Submission
 Adopted by TBARTA Board
Submitted to FDOT



EXHIBIT K

AGREEMENT TO FURNISH A REGIONAL TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (RTDP) SERVICE CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on				_, by and b	etween the	e Tamp	a Bay Area	Regional Tra	ınsit
Authority ("TBARTA")), an indep	endent special	distri	ct with its p	incipal pla	ce of bu	usiness locate	ed at 4350 V	Vest
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		(collectively, th	e "Par	ties").					
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- 1. **RECITALS**. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The "Contract Documents" shall mean and refer to this Agreement, the RFQ including all exhibits attached thereto including and all duly executed and issued addenda (attached hereto as Exhibit A), the Hourly Rates Schedule (as defined below and attached as Exhibit B), any and all Task Order Schedule(s) (as defined below and attached as composite Exhibit C), Contractor's Response (attached hereto as Exhibit D), and, for all task orders using federal funds, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Contract Clauses (attached hereto as Exhibit E). All of the foregoing are incorporated herein by reference and are made a part of this Agreement. In interpreting this Agreement and resolving any ambiguities or conflicts between this Agreement and the Exhibits, this Agreement takes precedence over the Exhibits and any inconsistency between exhibits will be resolved in the following order:

Exhibit A RFQ

Exhibit B Hourly Rates Schedule
Composite Exhibit C Task Order Schedule(s)
Exhibit D Contractor's Response

Notwithstanding the foregoing, for all task orders in which federal funds are used, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the FTA Contract Clauses shall control and take precedence over any conflicts.



- **3. SCOPE OF SERVICES**. Contractor, at the direction of TBARTA, shall furnish the general consultant services described and in accordance with the specifications, tasks, and scope of work set forth in the RFQ (the "Services"). It is the sole responsibility of Contractor to read the specifications and understand them.
- **4. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF AGREEMENT**. This Agreement shall become effective and commence on the date of award by TBARTA's Board of Director's ("Effective Date") and shall remain in effect for three (3) years ("Contract Term").

5. TERMS OF PERFORMANCE.

- 5.01 Task Order Based Contract. TBARTA will issue written orders for the tasks that it needs completed ("Task Order(s)"). Upon issuance, Contactor shall respond in writing with specifications for the Task Order, including the key personnel that will be assigned, an estimate of the hours required and total cost to complete the Task Order and all deliverables, a schedule of all tasks, deliverables, and proposed completion date, and any other information required by the RFP or which may be requested by TBARTA in order for TBARTA to monitor the Task Order ("Task Order Schedule"). Contractor shall not begin work on any Task Order until TBARTA has reviewed and approved the Contractor's Task Order Schedule, incorporating any changes or modifications it deems necessary, in its sole discretion. Once approved, the Task Order Schedule shall be appended to this agreement and incorporated as an exhibit and all work and deliverables shall be completed by the date set forth in the Task Order Schedule, unless modified in writing by the Parties. In the event the Task Order Schedule approved during the Contract Term and has a completion date beyond the Contract Term set forth in Paragraph 4 above, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be automatically extended through the completion of the Task Order.
- 5.02 Representatives. Prior to the start of any work under this Agreement, Contractor shall designate a primary and alternate representative, who will have management responsibility for the Services and who have authority to act on technical matters and resolve problems with the Services and the Contract Documents, to TBARTA in writing. Such designation shall include the contact information (including phone numbers) of Contractor's representative. TBARTA will advise Contractor in writing of the personnel who will represent TBARTA in the administration of the Contract Documents. Such writing from TBARTA will include the specific duties of each individual and each representative's limits of authority.
- 5.03 Non-exclusive Contract. TBARTA specifically reserves the right to contract with other entities for the services described in the Contract Documents or for similar services if it deems, in its sole discretion, such action to be in TBARTA's best interest.
- 5.04 Status Reports: Contractor shall submit monthly written status reports to TBARTA outlining the status of the each Task Order issued by TBARTA throughout the Contract Term. Each status report shall be a concise narrative description of activities to date and planned activities until the next status report. A final report, one (1) original and two copies, shall be submitted by Contractor along with all deliverables



upon completion of each Task Order. If a monthly schedule submitted by the Consultant includes changes affecting the achievement of deliverables based on circumstances the Consultant believes to be a delay caused by TBARTA, the Consultant should clearly identify those changes.

- 5.05 *Reviews*: Throughout this Agreement, Contractor shall allow representatives of TBARTA to visit the offices and other places of Contractor's work periodically without prior notice to monitor Contractor's work completed or progress on Task Orders. The Parties agree that if either party deems it advisable to hold either a conference or any inspection of work in progress, all parties will be notified and may participate.
- 5.06 Contractor Responsibility: Contractor shall provide services of first quality, and the workmanship must be in accordance with customary standards of the various trades and industries involved in the Services. The Services and the work associated therewith shall be high-quality in all respects. No advantage will be taken by Contractor in the omission of any part or detail of the Services or Task Order. Contractor hereby assumes responsibility for all materials, equipment, and processes used in the Services, whether the same is manufactured by Contractor or purchased readymade from a source outside Contractor's company.
- **6. COMPENSATION.** In consideration of Contractor's faithful performance of the Contract Documents, TBARTA agrees to pay Contractor at the hourly rates negotiated pursuant Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, the "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act" (CCNA) and attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Hourly Rates Schedule") for each Task Order issued and corresponding Task Order Schedule approved by TBARTA. The Hourly Rates Schedule may provide for an annual increase equal to the CPI or 1%, whichever is greater. However, all payments to Contractor individually and in the aggregate shall not exceed the maximum price set forth in each Task Order Schedule, nor the Total Contract Price. Payment shall be made only for work which is actually performed and approved by TBARTA. Contractor shall submit invoices to TBARTA no later than the fifteenth (15) day of the month immediately following the month in which the work or services on each respective Task Order is completed. TBARTA will make payment within forty-five days (30) days after approval of Contractor's invoice.
 - 6.01 *Invoices*. All invoices shall be submitted in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act with all details prescribed by TBARTA, and delivered to the following address:

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Attention: susan.ebner@tbarta.com 4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700,

Tampa, FL 33607

- 6.02 *Disputed Invoices*. In the event of a disputed invoice, only that portion so contested will be withheld from payment and the undisputed portion will be paid.
- 6.03 Subcontractor Payments. In accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.29, Contractor shall pay each subcontractor or subcontractor for satisfactory performance of its contract with the subcontractor or



subcontractor no later than thirty (30) days from the receipt of each payment Contractor receives from TBARTA. Contractor shall further return retainage payments to each subcontractor or subcontractor within thirty (30) days after the subcontractor's or subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Contractor shall include as part of its contract or agreement with each subcontractor or subcontractor for work and material a "Prompt Payment Clause". The Prompt Payment Clause shall require payment to all subcontractors and subcontractors, not only DBEs, for all labor and material for work completed within thirty (30) days of receipt of progress payments from TBARTA for said work. The Prompt Payment Clause shall further stipulate the return of retainage within 30 days after the subcontractor or subcontractor achieves the specified work as verified by payment from TBARTA.

- 6.04 *Disputes with Subcontractor Payments*. Any disputes that arise regarding the satisfactory completion of work by a subcontractor or subcontractor may be brought to the attention of TBARTA, who will make a determination. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above-referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval from TBARTA. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.
- 6.05 Failure to Abide by DBE Requirements. Failure by Contractor to carry out the requirements of TBARTA's DBE Program and the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, and/or timely return of retainage, without just cause, is a material breach of this Agreement, which may result in TBARTA withholding payment from Contractor until all delinquent payments have been made (no interest will be paid for the period that payment was withheld), termination of this Agreement, or other such remedy as TBARTA deems appropriate.

7. WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS.

7.01 Patent, Trademark, Copyright, and Trade Secret. Contractor warrants that the Services, and all goods and work associated therewith do not infringe on any patent, trademark, copyright or trade secret of any third parties and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold TBARTA, its officers, agents, employees, trustees and its successors and assigns, harmless from and against any and all liabilities, loss, damage or expense, including, without limitation, court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of any infringement or claims of infringement of any patent, trade name, trademark, copyright or trade secret by reason of the sale or use of any goods or services purchased under this Agreement. TBARTA shall promptly notify Contractor of any such claim. TBARTA makes no warranty that the production, sale or use of goods or services under this Agreement will not give rise to any such claim and TBARTA shall not be liable to Contractor for any such claim brought against Contractor. If any invention, improvement, or discovery of the Contractor is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of providing the Services under this Agreement, and that invention, improvement, or discovery is patentable under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country, the Contractor agrees to notify the TBARTA immediately and provide a detailed report. The rights and responsibilities of the Contractor and TBARTA with respect to such invention, improvement, or discovery will be determined in accordance with applicable Federal laws, regulations, policies, and any waiver thereof.



- 7.02 Covenants against Gratuities. Contractor warrants that he or she has not offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) to any official or employee of TBARTA with a view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or evaluating performance of contract.
- 7.03 *E-Verify*. Contractor shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of: (a) all persons employed by Contractor throughout the Contract Term; and (b) all persons, including subcontractors, retained or hired by Contractor, regardless of compensation, to perform work on the services provided pursuant to the Contract Documents.

8. DELAY IN PERFORMANCE/FORCE MAJEURE.

- 8.01 Time of the Essence. The timely receipt of services and deliveries to TBARTA is essential. If all deliverables under each Task Order are not received on time, TBARTA may cancel the unfilled portion of this Agreement for cause, purchase substitute requirements elsewhere, and recover from Contractor any increased costs and damages thereby incurred by TBARTA.
- 8.02 Unavoidable Delay. If completion of any Task Order, and all deliverables thereunder, is unavoidably delayed, TBARTA may, in its sole and absolute discretion, extend the time for completion for a determined number of days of excusable delay. A delay is unavoidable only if the delay was not reasonably expected to occur in connection with or during Contractor's performance; was not caused directly or substantially by negligent errors, omissions, or mistakes of Contractor, its subcontractors, or its suppliers or their agents; was substantial; and, in fact, caused Contractor to miss delivery dates and could not adequately have been guarded against by contractual or legal means.
- 8.03 No Damages for Delay. Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim for damages on account of hindrances or delays in the work from any cause whatsoever, including any delays or hindrances caused by TBARTA. This paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, any actions which result in delays in scheduling, substantial changes in scope of the Project or substantial increases in the costs of performing the work under the Contract Documents.
- 8.04 Notification. Contractor will notify TBARTA as soon as Contractor has, or should have, knowledge that an event has occurred which will delay completion of a Task Order. Within five (5) working days, Contractor will confirm such notice in writing, furnishing as much detail as is available and including any request for extension of time. Contractor shall supply, as soon as such data is available, any reasonable proofs that are required by TBARTA to make a decision on any request for extension. TBARTA will examine the request and any documents supplied by Contractor and will determine if Contractor is entitled to an extension and the duration of such extension. TBARTA will notify Contractor of its decision in writing. It is expressly understood and agreed that Contractor will not be entitled to any extension and the granting of such extension is in the sole discretion of TBARTA. It is further expressly understood that Contractor shall not be entitled to any damages or compensation, and will not be reimbursed for any losses, on account of delays resulting from any cause.



9. DISPUTES, BREACHES, DEFAULTS, OR OTHER LITIGATION.

- 9.01 Claims for Damages: Should Contractor suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of its employees, agents or others for whose acts it is legally liable, a claim for damages therefore shall be made in writing to TBARTA within five (5) days of when Contractor knew or should have known of such injury or damage.
- 9.02 Rights and Remedies: The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by TBARTA or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under this Agreement, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.
- 9.03 Attorneys' Fees. In the event of legal action or other proceeding arising under this Agreement, TBARTA shall be entitled to recover from Contractor all its reasonable attorneys' fees and cost incurred by TBARTA in the prosecution or defense of such action, or in any post-judgment or collection proceedings and whether incurred before suit, at the trial level or at the appellate level. This shall include any bankruptcy proceedings filed by or against Contractor. TBARTA also shall be entitled to recover any reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in litigating the entitlement to attorneys' fees and costs, as well as in determining the amount of attorneys' fees and costs due to TBARTA. The reasonable costs to which TBARTA will be entitled include costs that are taxable under any applicable statute, rule, or guideline, as well as costs of investigation, copying costs, electronic discovery costs, mailing and delivery charges, costs of conducting legal research, consultant and expert witness fees, travel expenses, court reporter fees and mediator fees, regardless of whether such costs are taxable under any applicable statue, rule or guideline.



10. INDEMNIFICATION.

- 10.01 Indemnification for Architectural or Engineering Firms. The following applies to all Task Orders for Architectural or Engineering Firms. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless TBARTA and its elected officials, officers and employees, from any and all liabilities, any and all claims, including claims for equitable or injunctive relief, damages, losses and costs, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of Contractor, its employees, agents, officers, subcontractors and other persons employed or utilized by Contractor in the performance of this agreement. It is the specific intent of the parties hereto that the foregoing indemnification provision comply with Section 725.08, Florida Statutes. It is further the specific intent and agreement of the parties that all the contract documents of any project for which Contractor provided services be hereby amended to include the foregoing indemnification. Contractor expressly agrees that it will not claim, and waives any claim, that this article violates Section 725.08 Florida Statutes, or is unenforceable pursuant to Section 725.08, Florida Statutes. This indemnification obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this section, including but not limited to any immunity from or limitation of liability to which TBARTA is entitled to pursuant to the doctrine of sovereign immunity or Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This indemnification provision shall include claims made by an employee of Contractor against TBARTA and Contractor waives any entitlement to immunity under Section 440.11, Florida Statutes. This indemnification provision shall survive the termination of this agreement however terminated.
- 10.02 Indemnification. The following applies to all other Task Orders not covered by Section 10.01. The parties recognize that Contractor is an independent contractor. Contractor agrees to assume liability for and indemnify, hold harmless, and defend TBARTA, its board members, officers, employees, agents and attorneys of, from, and against all liability and expense, including reasonable attorneys' fees, in connection with any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of action, and suits in equity of whatever kind or nature, including claims for personal injury, property damage, equitable relief, or loss of use, arising out of the execution, performance, nonperformance, or enforcement of this Agreement, whether or not due to or caused by the negligence of TBARTA, its board members, officers, employees, agents, and/or attorneys excluding only the sole negligence of TBARTA, its officers, employees, agents, and attorneys. This includes claims made by the employees of Contractor against TBARTA, and Contractor hereby waives its entitlement, if any, to immunity under Section 440.11, Florida Statutes. Contractor's liability hereunder shall include all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by TBARTA in the enforcement of this indemnification provision. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this indemnification provision shall not be construed as a waiver of any immunity from or limitation of liability to which TBARTA is entitled to pursuant to the doctrine of sovereign immunity or Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. The obligations contained in this provision shall survive termination of this Agreement, however terminated, and shall not be limited by the amount of any insurance required to be obtained or maintained under this Agreement.



- 10.03 Control of Defense. Subject to the limitations set forth is this provision, Contractor shall assume control of the defense of any claim asserted by a third party against TBARTA arising from or in any way related to this Agreement and, in connection with such defenses, shall appoint lead counsel, in each case at Contractor's expense. Contractor shall have the right, at its option, to participate in the defense of any third party claim, without relieving Contractor of any of its obligations hereunder. If Contractor assumes control of the defense of any third party claim in accordance with this paragraph, Contractor shall obtain the prior written consent of TBARTA before entering into any settlement of such claim. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this provision, Contractor shall not assume or maintain control of the defense of any third party claim, but shall pay the fees of counsel retained by TBARTA and all expenses including experts' fees, if (i) an adverse determination with respect to the third party claim would, in the good faith judgment of TBARTA, be detrimental in any material respect of TBARTA's reputation; (ii) the third party claim seeks an injunction or equitable relief against TBARTA; or (iii) Contractor has failed or is failing to prosecute or defend vigorously the third party claim. Each party shall cooperate, and cause its agents to cooperate, in the defense or prosecution of any third party claim and shall furnish or cause to be furnished such records and information, and attend such conferences, discovery proceedings, hearings, trials, or appeals, as may be reasonably requested in connection therewith.
- **11. FEDERAL PROVISIONS. FEDERAL PROVISIONS.** As required by the FTA, for all Task Orders using federal funds, the FTA Contract Terms attached as **Attachment 1** to this Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein and apply to each Task Order which is funded by a grant from the United States of America.

12. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- 12.01 *Entire Agreement.* The Contract Documents, including all exhibits, constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all previous written or oral negotiations, agreements, proposals and/or understandings. There are no representations or warranties unless set forth in the Contract Documents.
- 12.02 *Notices.* All notices required or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be made in writing and sent by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the following:

To TBARTA:	To Contractor:
Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority	
Attn: David Green, Executive Director	
4350 West Cypress Street, Suite 700	
Tampa, FL 33607	

With required copy to:

Alan S. Zimmet, Esq. Bryant Miller Olive



One Tampa City Center Suite 2700 Tampa, FL. 33602

Either party may change its above noted address by giving written notice to the other party in accordance with the requirements of this Section 16.02.

- 12.03 Waiver of Remedies for any Breach. In the event that TBARTA elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Agreement, such waiver by TBARTA shall only be valid if set forth in writing and shall not limit TBARTA's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Agreement.
- 12.04 *Modification.* The Contract Documents may not be amended or altered without prior written approval by TBARTA. Contractor shall be liable for all costs resulting from and/or for satisfactorily correcting any specification change not properly ordered by written modification to the Contract Documents and signed by TBARTA.
- 12.05 *Headings and Section References.* The headings and section references in this Agreement are inserted only for the purpose of convenience and shall not be construed to expand or limit the provisions contained in such sections.
- 12.06 Authorization. Both parties to this Agreement represent and warrant that they are authorized to enter into this Agreement without the consent and joinder of any other party and that the parties executing this Agreement have full power and authority to bind their respective parties to the terms hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed on the date first above written.

CONTRACTOR:	TBARTA:
By: Duly Authorized Designee	By:
WITNESS:	Approved as to form:
Ву:	By: Alan S. Zimmet, General Counsel

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False or Fraudulent Statements or Claims – Civil and Criminal Fraud		§ 3.f
Access to Third Party Contract Records		§ 15.t
Changes to Federal Requirements		§ 2.c(1)
Civil Rights (Title VI, ADA, EEO (except special DOL construction clause))		§ 12
Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)		§ 12.d
Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles		23 U.S. C. Part 402
Incorporation of FTA Terms	Per FTA C 4220.1F.	§ 15.a
	Awards Exceeding \$10,000	
Terminations	If 49 CFR Part 18 applies.	§ 11 and § 15.a, which incorporate 49 CFR Part 18
	Awards Exceeding \$25,000	
Debarment and Suspension		§ 3.b
Awards Exceed	ding the Simplified Acquisition Threshol	d (\$150,000)
Buy America	When tangible property or construction will be acquired.	§ 14.a
Resolution of Disputes, Breaches, or Other Litigation		§ 56
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Lobbying		§ 3.d
	Transport of Property or Persons	
Cargo Preference	When acquiring property suitable for shipment by ocean vessel.	§ 14.b
Fly America	When property or persons are transported by air between U.S. and foreign destinations, or between foreign locations.	§ 14.c
	Construction Activities	
Construction Employee Protections – Davis-Bacon Act	For contracts exceeding \$2,000.	§ 24.a(1)
Construction Employee Protections – Contract Work Hours & Safety Standards Act	For contracts exceeding \$100,000. OMB Office of Federal Financial Management has not adopted the FAR clause 2.101 \$150,000 simplified acquisition threshold standard.	§ 24.a(2)
Construction. Employee Protections – Sec. 1 Copeland Anti-Kickback Act – Sec. 2 Copeland Anti-Kickback Act	All contracts All construction contracts exceeding \$2,000.	§ 24.a(3)

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Bonding for Construction Activities Exceeding \$100,000 Seismic Safety	5% bid guarantee bond. 100% performance bond. Payment bond equal to: - 50% for contracts < \$1M 40% for contracts >\$1M - < \$5M \$2.5M for contracts > \$5M. Construction contracts for new buildings	§ 15.o(1) § 23.e
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	Non-Construction Activities	
Non-construction Employee Protection – Contract Work Hours & Safety Standards Act	For all turnkey, rolling stock, and operational contracts (except transportation services contracts and open market contracts) exceeding \$100,000.	§ 24.b
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Planning, R	esearch, Development, and Demonstration	on Projects
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ADA Access	Contracts for rolling stock or facilities construction / renovation.	§ 12.g
Assignability Clause	Procurements through assignments.	§ 15.a, which incorporates 49 CFR Part18 and 49CFR Part 19
Bus Testing	Contracts for Rolling Stock	49 CFR Part 665
Pre-Award and Post Delivery Audit	Contracts for Rolling Stock	49 CFR Part 663

A.1 ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

49 U.S.C. § 5325(g) 2 C.F.R. § 200.333 49 C.F.R. part 633

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Applicability to Contracts

The record keeping and access requirements apply to all contracts funded in whole or in part with FTA funds. Under 49 U.S.C. § 5325(g), FTA has the right to examine and inspect all records, documents, and papers, including contracts, related to any FTA project financed with Federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53.

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The record keeping and access requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

Access to Records and Reports

- a. <u>Record Retention</u>. The Contractor will retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, sub-agreements, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third party agreements of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.
- b. Retention Period. The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of at not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case records shall be maintained until the disposition of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.
- c. <u>Access to Records</u>. The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information related to performance of this contract as reasonably may be required.
- d. <u>Access to the Sites of Performance</u>. The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this contract as reasonably may be required.

A.2 BONDING REQUIREMENTS

2 C.F.R. § 200.325 31 C.F.R. part 223

Applicability to Contracts

Bonds are required for all construction or facility improvement contracts and subcontracts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold.

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

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These requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier that exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

Bond Requirements

Bid Guarantee

Bidders shall furnish a bid guaranty in the form of a bid bond, or certified treasurer's or cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, made payable to the TBARTA.

In submitting this bid, it is understood and agreed by bidder that TBARTA reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or part of any bid, and it is agreed that the Bid may not be withdrawn for a period of 120 days subsequent to the opening of bids, without the written consent of TBARTA.

It is also understood and agreed that if the undersigned bidder should withdraw any part or all of his bid within 120 days after the bid opening without the written consent of TBARTA, or refuse or be unable to enter into this Contract as provided above, or refuse or be unable to furnish adequate and acceptable Performance and Payment Bonds, or refuse or be unable to furnish adequate and acceptable insurance, as provided above, it shall forfeit its bid guaranty to the extent TBARTA's damages occasioned by such withdrawal, or refusal, or inability to enter into an agreement, or provide adequate security thereof.

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

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

Performance Guarantee

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

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

- 1. A bank in good standing issues it. TBARTA will not accept a Letter of Credit from an entity other than a bank.
- 2. It is in writing and signed by the issuing bank.
- 3. It conspicuously states that it is an irrevocable, non-transferable, "standby" Letter of Credit.
- 4. TBARTA is identified as the Beneficiary.
- 5. It is in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract value. This amount must be in U.S. dollars.

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- 6. The effective date of the Letter of Credit is the same as the effective date of the Contract
- 7. The expiration date of the Letter of Credit coincides with the term of this Agreement.
- 8. It indicates that it is being issued in order to support the obligation of the Contractor to perform under the Contract. It must specifically reference the Contract between TBARTA and the Contractor the work stipulated herein.

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

Payment Bonds

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

FTA has determined that payment bonds in the following amounts are adequate to plocal bonding policy that meets the following minimums:	protect FTA's interest and will accept a
□ Less Than \$1 Million. Fifty percent (50%) of the contract price if the contract	price is not more than \$1 million;
□ More Than \$1 Million but Less Than \$5 Million. Forty percent (40%) of the comore than \$1 million but not more than \$5 million; or	ontract price if the contract price is
□ More Than \$5 Million. Two and one half million dollars (\$2,500,000) if the co	ntract price is more than \$5 million.
Sample Bond Certifications	
Performance Guarantee Certification	
The undersigned hereby certifies that the Bidder shall provide a Performance Guara Specifications.	intee in accordance with the
Designate below which form of Performance Guarantee shall be provided:	
	Performance Bond
BIDDER'S NAME:	
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:	
TITLE:	_
DATE:	_
Performance Bond	
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: that	·····
(Insert full name and address and legal title of Contractor) as Principal, hereinafter of	alled Contractor, and

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TBARTA as Obligee, hereinafter called Au	of Surety) as Surety, hereinafter called Surety, are held and firmly bound un uthority, in the amount of Dollars (\$) for the payment whereof Contractor and ttors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by	l
WHEREAS, Contractor has by written agre Contract No, which the Contract.	eement dated, 20, entered into a contract with TBARTA for contract is by reference made a part hereof, and is hereinafter referred to a	or as
	OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that, if Contractor shall promptly and faithfully shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.	
The Surety hereby waives notice of any al	teration or extension of time made by TBARTA.	
	ared by TBARTA to be in default under the Contract, TBARTA having der, the Surety may promptly remedy the default, or shall promptly	
1. Complete the Contract in accordan	nce with it terms and conditions, or	
determination by Surety of the low and the Surety jointly of the lowes Authority, and make available as \ defaults under the contract or cont cost of completion less the balanc paragraph hereof. The term "balar	g the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and upon vest responsible bidder, or, if TBARTA elects, upon determination by TBART it responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and the Work progresses (even though there should be a default or a succession of tracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the e of the contract price; but not exceeding, the amount set forth in the first not of the contract price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total contractor under the Contract and any amendments thereto, less the amount ractor.	he
Any suit under this bond must be instituted under the Contract falls due.	d before the expiration of two (2) years from the date on which final payment	t
No right of action shall accrue on this bond executors, administrators or successors of	d to or for the use of any person or corporation other than TBARTA or the he	eirs
Signed and sealed this day of	20	
WITNESS	PRINCIPAL	
	(SEAL)	
	(Title)	
WITNESS	SURETY	
	(SEAL)	
	(Title)	
Attach hereto proof of authority of offic	ers or agents to sign bond.	
Irrevo	cable Stand-By Letter Of Credit Certificate	
The undersigned states that he/she is	of the	
	(The "Beneficiary") and hereby	
	<u>.</u>	

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(Name of Beneficiary)		
Certifies on behalf of the Beneficiary to(Name of	(the "Bank), with	
Reference to Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No	Issued by the	
Bank (the "Letter of Credit"), that:		
1. The undersigned is duly authorized to execute and	d deliver this certificate on behalf of the Beneficiary.	
2. The Beneficiary is making a drawing under the Letter of Credit.		
3. An Event of Default has occurred under Contract No		
 The amount of the draft presented with this certificate does not exceed the total maximum amount drawable today under the Letter of Credit as provided therein. 		
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate is executed this of	day of, 20	
(NAME OF BENEFICIARY)		
By:		
Title:		
Ва	nk Draft	
FOR VALUE RECEIVED		
Pay on presentment to(Name of Beneficiary)	the sum of	
Charge the Account of(Name of Issuing Bank)	Irrevocably Standby Letter of	
Credit NoDated:	20	
To (Name of Issuing Bank)		
NAME OF BENEFICIARY		

A.3 BUS TESTING

49 U.S.C. § 5318(e) 49 C.F.R. part 665

Applicability to Contracts

The Bus Testing requirements pertain only to the purchase or lease of any new bus model, or any bus model with a major change in configuration or components to be acquired or leased with funds obligated by FTA. Recipients are responsible for determining whether a vehicle to be acquired requires full or partial testing or has already satisfied the bus testing

requirements by achieving a passing test score in accordance with 49 C.F.R. part 665. Recipients must certify compliance with FTA's bus testing requirements in all grant applications for FTA funding for bus procurements.

Flow Down

There is no flow down requirement for Bus Testing.

Bus Testing

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

A.4 BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. 5323(j) 49 C.F.R. part 661

Applicability to Contracts

FTA's Buy America law and regulations apply to projects that involve the purchase of more than \$150,000 of iron, steel, manufactured goods, or rolling stock to be delivered to the recipient to be used in an FTA assisted project. FTA cautions that its Buy America regulations are complex. Additional detailed information on FTA's Buy America regulation at FTA's website.

Flow Down

The Buy America requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier contractors, who are responsible for ensuring that lower tier contractors and subcontractors are in compliance.

Buy America

The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49 C.F.R. part 661, which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless all steel, iron, and manufactured products used in FTA funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general waiver. General waivers are listed in 49 C.F.R. § 661.7. Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C) and 49 C.F.R. § 661.11.

The [bidder or offeror] must submit to TBARTA the appropriate Buy America certification below with its [bid or offer]. Bids or offers that are not accompanied by a completed Buy America certification will be rejected as nonresponsive.

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 661.6, for the procurement of steel, iron or manufactured products, use the certifications below.

Certificate of Compliance with Buy America Requirements

The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(1), and the applicable regulations in 49 C.F.R. part 661.

Date:		
Signature:		
Company:		

Nama	RFQ-TBARTA-002
Name:	-
Certificate of Non-Compliance with Buy America Requirements	
The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C for an exception to the requirement pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2), as amended, and the a C.F.R. § 661.7.	
Date:	_
Signature:	-
Company:	-
Name:	_
Title:	
In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 661.12, for the procurement of rolling stock (including a communication, and traction power equipment) use the following certifications: Certificate of Compliance with Buy America Rolling Stock Requirements	train control,
The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 53 regulations of 49 C.F.R. § 661.11.	23(j), and the applicable
Date:	_
Signature:	
Company:	
Name:	
Title:	
Certificate of Non-Compliance with Buy America Rolling Stock Requirements	

The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j), but may qualify for an exception to the requirement consistent with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C), and the applicable regulations in 49 C.F.R. § 661.7.

A.5 CARGO PREFERENCE REQUIREMENTS

46 U.S.C. § 55305 46 C.F.R. part 381

Applicability to Contracts

The Cargo Preference Act of 1954 requirements applies to all contracts involving equipment, materials, or commodities that may be transported by ocean vessels.

Flow Down

The Cargo Preference requirements apply to all contracts involved with the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

Cargo Preference - Use of United States-Flag Vessels

The contractor agrees:

- a. to use privately owned United States-Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to the underlying contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-Flag commercial vessels:
- b. to furnish within 20 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in the preceding paragraph to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the FTA recipient (through the contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading.); and
- c. <u>to include these</u> requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

A.6 CHARTER SERVICE

49 U.S.C. 5323(d) and (r) 49 C.F.R. part 604

Applicability to Contracts

The Charter Bus requirements apply to contracts for operating public transportation service.

Flow Down

The Charter Bus requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier service contractors.

Charter Service

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

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

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

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

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

A.7 CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 – 7671q 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (G)

Applicability to Contracts

The Clean Air and Clean Water Act requirements apply to each contract and subcontract exceeding \$150,000. Each contract and subcontract must contain a provision that requires the recipient to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251–1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Flow Down

The Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

The Contractor agrees:

- 1. It will not use any violating facilities;
- 2. It will report the use of facilities placed on or likely to be placed on the U.S. EPA "List of Violating Facilities:"
- 3. It will report violations of use of prohibited facilities to FTA; and
- 4. It will comply with the inspection and other requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 7671q); and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended, (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387).

A.8 CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Applicability to Contracts

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

- 1. Federal Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Requirements. These include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs. 49 U.S.C. § 5332, covering projects, programs, and activities financed under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), disability, or age, and prohibits discrimination in employment or business opportunity.

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- b. <u>Prohibition against Employment Discrimination</u>. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," September 24, 1965, as amended, prohibit discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- 2. <u>Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex.</u> Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq. and implementing Federal regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 25 prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.
- 3. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age. The "Age Discrimination Act of 1975," as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., and Department of Health and Human Services implementing regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, prohibit discrimination by participants in federally assisted programs against individuals on the basis of age. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), 29 U.S.C. § 621 et seq., and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) implementing regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, also prohibit employment discrimination against individuals age 40 and over on the basis of age.
- 4. Federal Protections for Individuals with Disabilities. The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (ADA), 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in programs, activities, and services, and imposes specific requirements on public and private entities. Third party contractors must comply with their responsibilities under Titles I, II, III, IV, and V of the ADA in employment, public services, public accommodations, telecommunications, and other provisions, many of which are subject to regulations issued by other Federal agencies.

Flow Down

The Civil Rights requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity

TBARTA is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, TBARTA agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, TBARTA agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

Under this Agreement, the Contractor shall at all times comply with the following requirements and shall include these requirements in each subcontract entered into as part thereof.

- Nondiscrimination. In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will
 not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national
 origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing
 regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- 2. Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity in Federal Employment," September 24, 1965, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, as amended by any later Executive Order that amends or supersedes it, referenced in 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, or sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity). Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- 3. Age. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29

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

A.9 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

49 C.F.R. part 26

Background and Applicability

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program applies to FTA recipients receiving planning, capital and/or operating assistance that will award prime contracts (excluding transit vehicle purchases) exceeding \$250,000 in FTA funds in a Federal fiscal year. All FTA recipients above this threshold must submit a DBE program and overall triennial goal for DBE participation. The overall goal reflects the anticipated amount of DBE participation on DOT-assisted contracts. As part of its DBE program, FTA recipients must require that each transit vehicle manufacturer (TVM), as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on FTA assisted transit vehicle procurements, certify that it has complied with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 26.49. Only those transit vehicle manufacturers listed on FTA's certified list of Transit Vehicle Manufacturers, or that have submitted a goal methodology to FTA that has been approved or has not been disapproved at the time of solicitation, are eligible to bid.

Flow Down

The DBE contracting requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier. It is the recipient's and prime contractor's responsibility to ensure the DBE requirements are applied across the board to all subrecipients/contractors/subcontractors. Should a subcontractor fail to comply with the DBE regulations, FTA would look to the recipient to make sure it intervenes to monitor compliance. The onus for compliance is on the recipient.

Clause Language

For all DOT-assisted contracts, each FTA recipient must include assurances that third party contractors will comply with the DBE program requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, when applicable. The following contract clause is required in all DOT-assisted prime and subcontracts:

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

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

Overview

Page 14 of 35 Exhibit K Attachment 1 It is the policy of TBARTA and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE's"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also the policy of the TBARTA to:

- 1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
- 2. Create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
- 3. Ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
- 4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 C.F.R. part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBE's;
- 5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
- 6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contracts and procurement activities; and
- 7. Assist in the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program.

This Contract is subject to 49 C.F.R. part 26. Therefore, the Contractor must satisfy the requirements for DBE participation as set forth herein. These requirements are in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract. TBARTA shall make all determinations with regard to whether or not a Bidder/Offeror is in compliance with the requirements stated herein. In assessing compliance, TBARTA may consider during its review of the Bidder/Offeror's submission package, the Bidder/Offeror's documented history of non-compliance with DBE requirements on previous contracts with TBARTA.

Contract Assurance

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

DBE Participation

For the purpose of this Contract, TBARTA will accept only DBE's who are:

- 1. Certified, at the time of bid opening or proposal evaluation, by the Florida Department of Transportation or the Unified Certification Program (UCP); or
- An out-of-state firm who has been certified by either a local government, state government or Federal government entity authorized to certify DBE status or an agency whose DBE certification process has received FTA approval; or
- 3. Certified by another agency approved by TBARTA.

DBE Participation Goal

The DBE participation goal for this Contract is set at	%. This goal represents those elements of work	under
this Contract performed by qualified Disadvantaged Busines	s Enterprises for amounts totaling not less than	%
of the total Contract price. Failure to meet the stated goal at	the time of proposal submission may render the	
Bidder/Offeror non-responsive.		

Proposed Submission

Each Bidder/Offeror, as part of its submission, shall supply the following information:

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- 1. A completed DBE Utilization Form (see below) that indicates the percentage and dollar value of the total bid/contract amount to be supplied by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises under this Contract.
- 2. A list of those qualified DBE's with whom the Bidder/Offeror intends to contract for the performance of portions of the work under the Contract, the agreed price to be paid to each DBE for work, the Contract items or parts to be performed by each DBE, a proposed timetable for the performance or delivery of the Contract item, and other information as required by the DBE Participation Schedule (see below). No work shall be included in the Schedule that the Bidder/Offeror has reason to believe the listed DBE will subcontract, at any tier, to other than another DBE. If awarded the Contract, the Bidder/Offeror may not deviate from the DBE Participation Schedule submitted in response to the bid. Any subsequent changes and/or substitutions of DBE firms will require review and written approval by TBARTA.
- 3. An original DBE Letter of Intent (see below) from each DBE listed in the DBE Participation Schedule.
- 4. An original DBE Affidavit (see below) from each DBE stating that there has not been any change in its status since the date of its last certification.

Good Faith Efforts

If the Bidder/Offeror is unable to meet the goal set forth above (DBE Participation Goal), TBARTA will consider the Bidder/Offeror's documented good faith efforts to meet the goal in determining responsiveness. The types of actions that TBARTA will consider as part of the Bidder/Offeror's good faith efforts include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Documented communication with TBARTA's DBE Liaison (questions of IFB or RFP requirements, subcontracting opportunities, appropriate certification, will be addressed in a timely fashion);
- 2. Pre-bid meeting attendance. At the pre-bid meeting, TBARTA generally informs potential Bidder/Offeror's of DBE subcontracting opportunities;
- 3. The Bidder/Offeror's own solicitations to obtain DBE involvement in general circulation media, trade association publication, minority-focus media and other reasonable and available means within sufficient time to allow DBEs to respond to the solicitation:
- 4. Written notification to DBE's encouraging participation in the proposed Contract; and
- 5. Efforts made to identify specific portions of the work that might be performed by DBE's.

The Bidder/Offeror shall provide the following details, at a minimum, of the specific efforts it made to negotiate in good faith with DBE's for elements of the Contract:

- 1. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBE's that were contacted;
- 2. A description of the information provided to targeted DBE's regarding the specifications and bid proposals for portions of the work;
- 3. Efforts made to assist DBE's contacted in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the Bidder or the Authority.

Further, the documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract. 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(b) (2) (VI). In determining whether a Bidder has made good faith efforts, TBARTA may take into account the performance of other Bidders in meeting the Contract goals. For example, if the apparent successful Bidder failed to meet the goal, but meets or exceeds the average DBE participation obtained by other Bidders, TBARTA may view this as evidence of the Bidder having made good faith efforts.

Administrative Reconsideration

Within five (5) business days of being informed by TBARTA that it is not responsive or responsible because it has not documented sufficient good faith efforts, the Bidder/Offeror may request administrative reconsideration. The Bidder should make this request in writing to TBARTA's DBE Liaison. The DBE Liaison will forward the Bidder/Offeror's request to a reconsideration official who will not have played any role in the original determination that the Bidder/Offeror did not document sufficient good faith efforts.

As part of this reconsideration, the Bidder/Offeror will have the opportunity to provide written documentation or argument concerning the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so. The Bidder/Offeror will have the opportunity to meet in person with the assigned reconsideration official to discuss the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so. TBARTA will send the Bidder/Offeror a written decision on its reconsideration, explaining the basis for finding that the Bidder/Offeror did or did not meet the goal or make adequate good faith efforts to do so. The result of the reconsideration process is not administratively appealable to the Department of Transportation.

Termination of DBE Subcontractor

The Contractor shall not terminate the DBE subcontractor(s) listed in the DBE Participation Schedule (see below) without TBARTA's prior written consent. TBARTA may provide such written consent only if the Contractor has good cause to terminate the DBE firm. Before transmitting a request to terminate, the Contractor shall give notice in writing to the DBE subcontractor of its intent to terminate and the reason for the request. The Contractor shall give the DBE five days to respond to the notice and advise of the reasons why it objects to the proposed termination. When a DBE subcontractor is terminated or fails to complete its work on the Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall make good faith efforts to find another DBE subcontractor to substitute for the original DBE and immediately notify TBARTA in writing of its efforts to replace the original DBE. These good faith efforts shall be directed at finding another DBE to perform at least the same amount of work under the Contract as the DBE that was terminated, to the extent needed to meet the Contract goal established for this procurement. Failure to comply with these requirements will be in accordance with Section 8 below (Sanctions for Violations).

Continued Compliance

TBARTA shall monitor the Contractor's DBE compliance during the life of the Contract. In the event this procurement exceeds ninety (90) days, it will be the responsibility of the Contractor to submit quarterly written reports to TBARTA that summarize the total DBE value for this Contract. These reports shall provide the following details:

- DBE utilization established for the Contract;
- Total value of expenditures with DBE firms for the guarter;
- The value of expenditures with each DBE firm for the quarter by race and gender;
- Total value of expenditures with DBE firms from inception of the Contract; and
- The value of expenditures with each DBE firm from the inception of the Contract by race and gender.

Reports and other correspondence must be submitted to the DBE Liaison with copies provided to the Director of Procurement. Reports shall continue to be submitted quarterly until final payment is issued or until DBE participation is completed.

The successful Bidder/Offeror shall permit:

- TBARTA to have access to necessary records to examine information as TBARTA deems appropriate for the
 purpose of investigating and determining compliance with this provision, including, but not limited to, records of
 expenditures, invoices, and contract between the successful Bidder/Offeror and other DBE parties entered into
 during the life of the Contract.
- The authorized representative(s) of TBARTA, the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Comptroller General of the United States, to inspect and audit all data and record of the Contractor relating to its performance under the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation provision of this Contract.
- All data/record(s) pertaining to DBE shall be maintained as stated in this solicitation.

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Sanctions for Violations

If at any time TBARTA has reason to believe that the Contractor is in violation of its obligations under this Agreement or has otherwise failed to comply with terms of this Section, TBARTA may, in addition to pursuing any other available legal remedy, commence proceedings, which may include but are not limited to, the following:

- Suspension of any payment or part due the Contractor until such time as the issues concerning the Contractor's compliance are resolved; and
- Termination or cancellation of the Contract, in whole or in part, unless the successful Contractor is able to demonstrate within a reasonable time that it is in compliance with the DBE terms stated herein.

DBE UTILIZATION FORM

the appropriate space):
The Bidder/Offer is committed to a minimum of% DBE utilization on this contract.
The Bidder/Offeror (if unable to meet the DBE goal of %) is committed to a minimum of % DBE utilization on this contract and submits documentation demonstrating good faith efforts.
DBE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE The Bidder/Offeror shall complete the following information for all DBE's participating in the contract that comprises the DBE Utilization percent stated in the DBE Utilization Form. The Bidder/Offeror shall also furnish the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person should the Authority have any questions in relation to the information furnished herein.
DBE IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION FORM

Name and Address	Contact Name and Telephone Number	Participation Percent (Of Total Contract Value)	Description of Work to Be Performed	Race and Gender of Firm

A.10 EMPLOYEE PROTECTIONS

49 U.S.C. § 5333(a) 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141 – 3148 29 C.F.R. part 5 18 U.S.C. § 874 29 C.F.R. part 3 40 U.S.C. §§3701-3708 29 C.F.R. part 1926

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Applicability to Contracts

Certain employee protections apply to all FTA funded contracts with particular emphasis on construction related projects. The recipient will ensure that each third party contractor complies with all federal laws, regulations, and requirements, including:

1. Prevailing Wage Requirements

- a. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5333(a), (FTA's "Davis-Bacon Related Act");
- b. The Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141 3144, 3146, and 3147; and
- c. U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. part 5.

2. "Anti-Kickback" Prohibitions

- a. Section 1 of the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act, as amended, 18 U.S.C. § 874;
- b. Section 2 of the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. § 3145; and
- c. U.S. DOL regulations, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in part by Loans or Grants from the United States," 29 C.F.R. part 3.

3. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

- a. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708; and supplemented by Department of Labor (DOL) regulations, 29 C.F.R. part 5; and
- b. U.S. DOL regulations, "Safety and Health Regulations for Construction," 29 C.F.R. part 1926.

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These requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier. The Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act apply to all prime construction, alteration or repair contracts in excess of \$2,000. The Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act apply to all FTA funded contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers.

Prevailing Wage and Anti-Kickback

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

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

For all contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers, the Contractor shall comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708), as supplemented by the DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 5. Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702 of the Act, the Contractor shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer, including watchmen and guards, on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the

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

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

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in this agreement.

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards for Awards Not Involving Construction

The Contractor shall comply with all federal laws, regulations, and requirements providing wage and hour protections for non-construction employees, in accordance with 40 U.S.C. § 3702, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, and other relevant parts of that Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq., and U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. part 5.

The Contractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three (3) years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid.

Such records maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the Contractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the FTA and the Department of Labor, and the Contractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

The contractor shall require the inclusion of the language of this clause within subcontracts of all tiers.

A.11 ENERGY CONSERVATION

42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq. 49 C.F.R. part 622, subpart C

Applicability to Contracts

The Energy Policy and Conservation requirements are applicable to all contracts. The Recipient agrees to, and assures that its subrecipients, if any, will comply with the mandatory energy standards and policies of its state energy conservation plans under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6201 et seq., and perform an energy assessment for any building constructed, reconstructed, or modified with federal assistance as required under FTA regulations, "Requirements for Energy Assessments," 49 C.F.R. part 622, subpart C.

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These requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

Energy Conservation

The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

A.12 FLY AMERICA

49 U.S.C. § 40118 41 C.F.R. part 301-10 48 C.F.R. part 47.4

Applicability to Contracts

The Fly America requirements apply to the transportation of persons or property, by air, between a place in the U.S. and a place outside the U.S., or between places outside the U.S., when the FTA will participate in the costs of such air transportation. Transportation on a foreign air carrier is permissible when provided by a foreign air carrier under a code share agreement when the ticket identifies the U.S. air carrier's designator code and flight number. Transportation by a foreign air carrier is also permissible if there is a bilateral or multilateral air transportation agreement to which the U.S. Government and a foreign government are parties and which the U.S. DOT has determined meets the requirements of the Fly America Act.

Flow Down Requirements

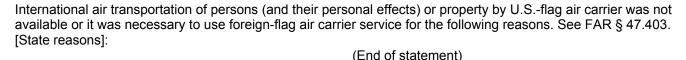
The Fly America requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier contractors who are responsible for ensuring that lower tier contractors and subcontractors are in compliance.

Fly America Requirements

- a. Definitions. As used in this clause--
 - "International air transportation" means transportation by air between a place in the United States and a place outside the United States or between two places both of which are outside the United States.
 - "United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.
 - "U.S.-flag air carrier" means an air carrier holding a certificate under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 411.
- b. When Federal funds are used to fund travel, Section 5 of the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 40118) (Fly America Act) requires contractors, recipients, and others use U.S.-flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property, to the extent that service by those carriers is available. It requires the Comptroller General of the United States, in the absence of satisfactory proof of the necessity for foreign-flag air transportation, to disallow expenditures from funds, appropriated or otherwise established for the account of the United States, for international air transportation secured aboard a foreign-flag air carrier if a U.S.-flag air carrier is available to provide such services.
- c. If available, the Contractor, in performing work under this contract, shall use U.S.-flag carriers for international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property.
- d. In the event that the Contractor selects a carrier other than a U.S.-flag air carrier for international air transportation, the Contractor shall include a statement on vouchers involving such transportation essentially as follows:

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Statement of Unavailability of U.S.-Flag Air Carriers



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

A.13 GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

2 C.F.R. part 180 2 C.F.R part 1200 2 C.F.R. § 200.213 2 C.F.R. part 200 Appendix II (I) Executive Order 12549 Executive Order 12689

Background and Applicability

A contract award (of any tier) in an amount expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 or a contract award at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 C.F.R. part 180. The Excluded Parties List System in SAM contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

Recipients, contractors, and subcontractors (at any level) that enter into covered transactions are required to verify that the entity (as well as its principals and affiliates) with which they propose to contract or subcontract is not excluded or disqualified. This is done by: (a) checking the SAM exclusions; (b) collecting a certification from that person; or (c) adding a clause or condition to the contract or subcontract.

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Recipients, contractors, and subcontractors who enter into covered transactions with a participant at the next lower level, must require that participant to: (a) comply with subpart C of 2 C.F.R. part 180, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200; and (b) pass the requirement to comply with subpart C of 2 C.F.R. part 180 to each person with whom the participant enters into a covered transaction at the next lower tier.

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

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

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

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

A.14 LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS

31 U.S.C. § 1352 2 C.F.R. § 200.450 2 C.F.R. part 200 appendix II (J) 49 C.F.R. part 20

Applicability to Contracts

The lobbying requirements apply to all contracts and subcontracts of \$100,000 or more at any tier under a Federal grant. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this agreement, the payor must complete and submit the Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Flow Down

The lobbying requirements mandate the maximum flow down pursuant to Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352(b)(5).

Lobbying Restrictions

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

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

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

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 Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official
 Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official
 Date

A.15 NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

Applicability to Contracts

The No Obligation clause applies to all third party contracts that are federally funded.

Flow Down

The No Obligation clause extends to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

No Federal Government Obligation to Third Parties.

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

A.16 PATENT RIGHTS AND RIGHTS IN DATA

2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (F) 37 C.F.R. part 401

Applicability to Contracts

If the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract (or subcontract) with a small business firm or nonprofit organization for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under the FTA award, the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 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. Except in the case of an "other agreement" in which the Federal Government has agreed to take more limited rights, the Federal Government is entitled to a non-exclusive, royalty free license to use the resulting invention, or patent the invention for Federal Government purposes. The FTA has the right to:

- 1. Obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the data produced under a Federal award; and
- 2. Authorize others to receive, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such data for Federal purposes.

Flow Down

The Patent Rights and Rights in Data requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier that meet the definition of a research-type project under 37 U.S.C. § 401.2.

Intellectual Property Rights

This Project is funded through a Federal award with FTA for experimental, developmental, or research work purposes. As such, certain Patent Rights and Data Rights apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall grant TBARTA intellectual property access and licenses deemed necessary for the work performed

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under this Agreement and in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by FTA or U.S. DOT. The terms of an intellectual property agreement and software license rights will be finalized prior to execution of this Agreement and shall, at a minimum, include the following restrictions: Except for its own internal use, the Contractor may not publish or reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of FTA, until such time as FTA may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public. This restriction on publication, however, does not apply to any contract with an academic institution. For purposes of this agreement, the term "subject data" means recorded information whether or not copyrighted, and that is delivered or specified to be delivered as required by the Contract. Examples of "subject data" include, but are not limited to computer software, standards, specifications, engineering drawings and associated lists, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information, but do not include financial reports, cost analyses, or other similar information used for performance or administration of the Contract.

- The Federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or
 otherwise use, and to authorize others to use for "Federal Government Purposes," any subject data or copyright
 described below. For "Federal Government Purposes," means use only for the direct purposes of the Federal
 Government. Without the copyright owner's consent, the Federal Government may not extend its Federal license
 to any other party.
 - a. Any subject data developed under the Contract, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and
 - b. Any rights of copyright purchased by the Contractor using Federal assistance in whole or in part by the FTA.
- 2. Unless FTA determines otherwise, the Contractor performing experimental, developmental, or research work required as part of this Contract agrees to permit FTA to make available to the public, either FTA's license in the copyright to any subject data developed in the course of the Contract, or a copy of the subject data first produced under the Contract for which a copyright has not been obtained. If the experimental, developmental, or research work, which is the subject of this Contract, is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under the Contract shall become subject data as defined herein and shall be delivered as the Federal Government may direct.
- 3. Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the Federal Government, the Contractor agrees to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Federal Government, its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under that contract. The Contractor shall be required to indemnify the Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful act of any employee, official, or agents of the Federal Government.
- 4. Nothing contained in this clause on rights in data shall imply a license to the Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Federal Government under any patent.
- 5. Data developed by the Contractor and financed entirely without using Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government that has been incorporated into work required by the underlying Contract is exempt from the requirements herein, provided that the Contractor identifies those data in writing at the time of delivery of the Contract work.
- 6. The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

A.17 PRE-AWARD AND POST-DELIVERY AUDITS OF ROLLING STOCK PURCHASES

49 U.S.C. 5323(m) 49 C.F.R. part 663

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Applicability to Contracts

Recipients purchasing revenue service rolling stock with FTA funds must comply with the pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements set forth in 49 U.S.C. 5323(m) and supplemented by 49 C.F.R. part 663. For more information about pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements, go to FTA's Buy America website.

Flow Down

There is no flow down requirement for Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits of Rolling Stock.

Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audit Requirements

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

A.18 PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACTS

49 U.S.C. § 5323(I) (1) 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812 18 U.S.C. § 1001 49 C.F.R. part 31

Applicability to Contracts

The Program Fraud clause applies to all third party contracts that are federally funded.

Flow Down

The Program Fraud clause extends to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier. These requirements flow down to contractors and subcontractors who make, present, or submit covered claims and statements.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5323(I) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

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A.19 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) ("13(c)") 29 C.F.R. part 215

Applicability to Contracts

The Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements apply to each contract for transit operations performed by employees of a Contractor recognized by FTA to be a transit operator.

Flow Down

The employee protective arrangements clause flows down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements

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

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

A.20 RECYCLED PRODUCTS

42 U.S.C. § 6962 40 C.F.R. part 247 2 C.F.R. part § 200.322

Applicability to Contracts

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6962 et seq.), requires States and local governmental authorities to provide a competitive preference to products and services that conserve natural resources, protect the environment, and are energy efficient. Recipients are required to procure only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. 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.

Flow Down

These requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier where the value of an EPA designated item exceeds \$10,000.

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Recovered Materials

The Contractor agrees to provide a preference for those products and services that conserve natural resources, protect the environment, and are energy efficient by complying with and facilitating compliance with Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6962, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), "Comprehensive Procurement Guideline for Products Containing Recovered Materials," 40 C.F.R. part 247.

A.21 SAFE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

23 U.S.C. part 402 Executive Order No. 13043 Executive Order No. 13513 U.S. DOT Order No. 3902.10

Applicability to Contracts

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements apply to all federally funded third party contracts. In compliance with Federal Executive Order No. 13043, "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States," April 16, 1997, 23 U.S.C. Section 402 note, FTA encourages each third party contractor to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company owned, rented, or personally operated vehicles, and to include this provision in each third party subcontract involving the project. Additionally, recipients are required by FTA to include a Distracted Driving clause that addresses distracted driving, including text messaging in each of its third party agreements supported with Federal assistance.

Flow Down

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements flow down to all third party contractors at every tier.

Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles

Seat Belt Use

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

Distracted Driving

The Contractor agrees to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle Contactor owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the work performed under this agreement.

A.22 SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS

49 U.S.C. 5323(f) 49 C.F.R. part 605

Applicability to Contracts

The School Bus requirements apply to contracts for operating public transportation service.

Flow Down

The School Bus requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier service contractors.

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School Bus Operations

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(f), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, and not engage in school bus operations using federally funded equipment or facilities in competition with private operators of school buses, except as permitted under:

- 1. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(f);
- 2. FTA regulations, "School Bus Operations," 49 C.F.R. part 605;
- 3. Any other Federal School Bus regulations; or
- 4. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

If Contractor violates this School Bus Agreement, FTA may:

- 1. Bar the Contractor from receiving Federal assistance for public transportation; or
- 2. Require the contractor to take such remedial measures as FTA considers appropriate.

When operating exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, the contractor may not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities.

The Contractor should include the substance of this clause in each subcontract or purchase under this contract that may operate public transportation services.

A.23 SEISMIC SAFETY

42 U.S.C. 7701 et seq. 49 C.F.R. part 41 Executive Order (E.O.) 12699

Applicability to Contracts

The Seismic Safety requirements apply only to contracts for the construction of new buildings or additions to existing buildings.

Flow Down

The Seismic Safety requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier contractors to assure compliance with the applicable building standards for Seismic Safety, including the work performed by all subcontractors.

Seismic Safety

The Contractor agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation (DOT) Seismic Safety Regulations 49 C.F.R. part 41 and will certify to compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The Contractor also agrees to ensure that all work performed under this contract, including work performed by a subcontractor, is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

A.24 SUBSTANCE ABUSE REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 5331 49 C.F.R. part 655 49 C.F.R. part 40

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Applicability to Contracts

Third party contractors who perform safety-sensitive functions must comply with FTA's substance abuse management program under 49 C.F.R. part 655, "Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations." Under 49 C.F.R. § 655.4, Safety-sensitive function means any of the following duties, when performed by employees of recipients, subrecipients, operators, or contractors:

- 1. Operating a revenue service vehicle, including when not in revenue service;
- 2. Operating a nonrevenue service vehicle, when required to be operated by a holder of a Commercial Driver's License:
- 3. Controlling dispatch or movement of a revenue service vehicle;
- 4. Maintaining (including repairs, overhaul and rebuilding) a revenue service vehicle or equipment used in revenue service. This section does not apply to the following: an employer who receives funding under 49 U.S.C. § 5307 or § 5309, is in an area less than 200,000 in population, and contracts out such services; or an employer who receives funding under 49 U.S.C. § 5311 and contracts out such services;
- 5. Carrying a firearm for security purposes.

Additionally, third party contractors providing testing services involving the performance of safety sensitive activities must also comply with 49 C.F.R. part 40, "Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs."

Flow Down

The Substance Abuse requirements flow down to all third party contractors at every tier who perform a safety-sensitive function for the recipient or subrecipient.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TESTING

The Contractor agrees to establish and implement a drug and alcohol testing program that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 655, produce any documentation necessary to establish its compliance with part 655, and permit any authorized representative of the United States Department of Transportation or its operating administrations, the State Oversight Agency of Florida, or TBARTA, to inspect the facilities and records associated with the implementation of the drug and alcohol testing program as required under 49 C.F.R. part 655 and review the testing process. The Contractor agrees further to certify annually its compliance with parts 655 before January 15th and to submit the Management Information System (MIS) reports before February 15th to TBARTA. To certify compliance the Contractor shall use the "Substance Abuse Certifications" in the "Annual List of Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration Grants and Cooperative Agreements," which is published annually in the Federal Register. The Contractor agrees further to submit for review and approval before contract execution a copy of its Policy Statement developed to implement its drug and alcohol testing program.

A.25 TERMINATION

2 C.F.R. § 200.339 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (B)

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience, including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.

Flow Down

For all contracts in excess of \$10,000, the Termination clause extends to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

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Termination for Convenience (General Provision)

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

Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision)

If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, TBARTA may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will be paid only the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

If it is later determined by TBARTA that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, TBARTA, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

Opportunity to Cure (General Provision)

TBARTA, in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor ten (10) days in which to cure the defect. In such case, the Notice of Termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions.

If Contractor fails to remedy to TBARTA's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within ten (10) days after receipt by Contractor of written notice from TBARTA setting forth the nature of said breach or default, TBARTA shall have the right to terminate the contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude TBARTA from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

Waiver of Remedies for any Breach

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

Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts)

TBARTA, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the TBARTA's interest. If this contract is terminated, TBARTA shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

Termination for Default (Supplies and Service)

If the Contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, TBARTA may terminate this contract for default. TBARTA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the TBARTA.

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Termination for Default (Transportation Services)

If the Contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, TBARTA may terminate this contract for default. TBARTA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract.

If this contract is terminated while the Contractor has possession of TBARTA goods, the Contractor shall, upon direction of TBARTA, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the TBARTA or its agent. The Contractor and TBARTA shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount will be resolved under the Dispute clause.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the TBARTA.

Termination for Default (Construction)

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

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor shall the Contractor be charged with damages under this clause if:

- The delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God, acts of TBARTA, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with TBARTA, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
- 2. The Contractor, within 10 days from the beginning of any delay, notifies TBARTA in writing of the causes of delay. If, in the judgment of TBARTA, the delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The judgment of TBARTA shall be final and conclusive for the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clause(s) of this contract.

If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of TBARTA.

Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect and Engineering)

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

If the termination is for the convenience of TBARTA, TBARTA shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services.

If the termination is for failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations, TBARTA may complete the work by contact or otherwise and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by TBARTA.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of TBARTA.

Termination for Convenience or Default (Cost-Type Contracts)

TBARTA may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor. The notice shall state whether the termination is for convenience of TBARTA or for the default of the Contractor. If the termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which the Contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. The Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from TBARTA, or property supplied to the Contractor by TBARTA. If the termination is for default, TBARTA may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid the Contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to TBARTA and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid the Contractor.

If the termination is for the convenience of TBARTA, the Contractor shall be paid its contract close-out costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination.

If, after serving a Notice of Termination for Default, TBARTA determines that the Contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, TBARTA, after setting up a new work schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

A.26 VIOLATION AND BREACH OF CONTRACT

2 C.F.R. § 200.326 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (A)

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts in excess of the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently set at \$150,000) shall contain administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

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The Violations and Breach of Contracts clause flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Rights and Remedies of TBARTA

TBARTA shall have the following rights in the event that TBARTA deems the Contractor guilty of a breach of any term under the Contract.

- 1. The right to take over and complete the work or any part thereof as agency for and at the expense of the Contractor, either directly or through other contractors;
- 2. The right to cancel this Contract as to any or all of the work yet to be performed;
- 3. The right to specific performance, an injunction or any other appropriate equitable remedy; and
- 4. The right to money damages.

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Rights and Remedies of Contractor

Inasmuch as the Contractor can be adequately compensated by money damages for any breach of this Contract, which may be committed by TBARTA, the Contractor expressly agrees that no default, act or omission of TBARTA shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, entitling Contractor to cancel or rescind the Contract (unless TBARTA directs Contractor to do so) or to suspend or abandon performance.

Remedies

Substantial failure of the Contractor to complete the Project in accordance with the terms of this Agreement will be a default of this Agreement. In the event of a default, TBARTA will have all remedies in law and equity, including the right to specific performance, without further assistance, and the rights to termination or suspension as provided herein. The Contractor recognizes that in the event of a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor before TBARTA takes action contemplated herein, TBARTA will provide the Contractor with sixty (60) days written notice that TBARTA considers that such a breach has occurred and will provide the Contractor a reasonable period of time to respond and to take necessary corrective action.

Disputes

Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract that are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of TBARTA's Executive Director. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the Executive Director. In connection with any such appeal, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the Executive Director shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide be the decision.

Performance during Dispute

Unless otherwise directed by TBARTA, Contractor shall continue performance under this Contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.

Claims for Damages

Should either party to the Contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of its employees, agents or others for whose acts it is legally liable, a claim for damages therefor shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury or damage.

Remedies

Unless this Contract provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes and other matters in question between TBARTA and the Contractor arising out of or relating to this agreement or its breach will be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State in which TBARTA is located.

Rights and Remedies

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by TBARTA or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

A.27 CHANGES TO FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

Applicability to Contracts

Requirement applies to all contracts funded in whole or in part with FTA funds.

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Requirement extends to all third party contractors and their contracts.

Changes to Federal Requirements

Contractor shall comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between the municipal corporation and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of the contract. Contractor's failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the contract.

A.28 CONFORMANCE WITH ITS ARCHITECTURE

Applicability to Contracts

Requirement applies to all applicable new technology contracts that are federally funded.

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Requirement extends to all third party contractors and their contracts.

ITS Architecture

Contractor shall conform, to the extent applicable, to the National Intelligent Transportation Standards architecture in compliance with Sec. 5206(e) of TEA-21, 23 USC 502, and FHWA/FTA's "Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century; Interim Guidance on Conformity with the National Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture and Standards" 63 Federal Register 70443 et seq. Dec. 21, 1998, and other subsequent Federal directives that may be issued.

A.29 ADA ACCESS

Applicability to Contracts

Requirement applies to all contracts for rolling stock or facilities construction / renovation.

Flow Down

Requirement extends to all third party contractors and their contracts.

ADA Access

Contractor shall comply with 49 USC 5301(d), stating Federal policy that the elderly and persons with disabilities have the same rights as other persons to use mass transportation services and facilities and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement that policy. Contractor shall also comply with all applicable requirements of Sec. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (1973), as amended, 29 USC 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 USC 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to persons with disabilities, including any subsequent amendments thereto