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Mason County Public Utility District No. 1

through

Washington Grid Resilience 2024

**Contract Number:
F25-55502-001**

For

Jorstad Middle Mile Substation Project

Dated: Monday, December 1, 2025

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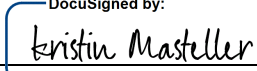
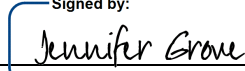
Face Sheet

Research & Development: Yes No

Contract Number: **F25-55502-001**

**Energy Division, Energy Programs in Communities Unit
Washington Grid Resilience Program**

Subrecipient
 Contractor

1. Contractor Mason County Public Utility District No. 1 21971 N Hwy 101 Shelton, WA 98584		2. Contractor Doing Business As (as applicable) N/A	
3. Contractor Representative Katie Arnold Director of Business Services and District Treasurer (360) 877-5249 x219 karnold@mason-pud1.org		4. COMMERCE Representative Katy Coleman Program Manager (360) 725-3077 Katy.coleman@commerce.wa.gov P.O. Box 42525 1011 Plum St, Olympia, WA 98504-2525 	
5. Contract Amount \$3,000,000	6. Funding Source Federal: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> N/A: <input type="checkbox"/>	7. Start Date 12/01/2025	8. End Date 6/30/2028
9. Federal Funds (as applicable) \$2,636,700	Federal Agency: Department of Energy	ALN DE-GD0000048	Indirect Rate 15% De minimis rate
10. Tax ID # 91-6001048	11. SWV # 0028711-00	12. UBI # 232-000-374	13. UEI # KD7HQJF4JNC9
14. Award Method <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Competitive		NOFO/RFX # WA_GRID_2024	Proviso # State Funds: Hard-to-Decarbonize Sector (91002641)
15. Contract Purpose The Jorstad Substation Grid Resilience Project will begin the planning and lay the groundwork for a middle mile distribution substation in Lilliwaup, Washington. Scope of work under this grant includes: hiring an engineering firm to complete the design and engineering for an electric distribution substation as well as the distribution feeders to connect the substation to the existing power grid.			
COMMERCE, defined as the Department of Commerce, and Contractor acknowledge and accept the terms of this Contract and attachments and have executed this Contract on the date below to start as of the date and year referenced above. The rights and obligations of both parties to this Contract are governed by this Contract and the following other documents incorporated by reference: Contractor Terms and Conditions including Attachment "A" – Scope of Work, Attachment "B" – Budget, Attachment "C" – Reporting, Attachment "D" – Federal Pass-Through Requirements.			
FOR CONTRACTOR DocuSigned by:  _____ Kristin Masteller, General Manager 1/6/2026 1:12 PM PST _____ Signature _____ Date		FOR COMMERCE Signed by:  _____ Jennifer Grove, Assistant Director, Energy Division 1/8/2026 7:04 PM PST _____ Date APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY BY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL APPROVAL ON FILE	

Special Terms and Conditions

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDING

Federal Award Date: 6/11/2025

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN): DE-GD0000048

Federal Awarding Agency: Department of Energy

Total amount of federal funds obligated to this Subrecipient for this program: \$2,636,700

Total amount of federal funds obligated to this Subrecipient for all programs: \$3,636,833

Awarding official: Joe Nguyen, Director (360) 725-4021

Unless otherwise specifically authorized herein, the budget period start and end dates shall be the same as the start and end dates on the Face Sheet.

The Contractor agrees that any publications (written, visual, or sound) but excluding press releases, newsletters, and issue analyses, issued by the Contractor describing programs or projects funded in whole or in part with federal funds under this Contract, shall contain the following statements:

“This project was supported by Grant No. DE-GD0000048 awarded by the Department of Energy. Points of view in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the Department of Commerce. Grant funds are administered by the Washington Grid Resilience Program, Washington State Department of Commerce.”

2. CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

The Representative for each of the parties shall be responsible for and shall be the contact person for all communications and billings regarding the performance of this Contract.

The Representative for COMMERCE and their contact information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Contract.

The Representative for the Contractor and their contact information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Contract.

3. COMPENSATION

COMMERCE shall pay an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of work as set forth in the Scope of Work. Contractor's compensation for services rendered shall be based on the terms of the Scope of Work and Budget.

EXPENSES

Contractor shall receive reimbursement for approved expenses as identified below or as authorized in advance by COMMERCE as reimbursable. The maximum amount to be paid to the Contractor for authorized expenses shall not exceed \$3,000,000, which amount is included in the Contract total above.

If travel is required to complete the scope of work and approved in advance in writing, reimbursable travel expenses may include airfare (economy or coach class only), other transportation, lodging, and food necessary during periods of required travel. Contractor shall be reimbursed at a rate not to exceed the current state rate and in accordance with the [State of Washington Office of Financial Management Travel Regulations](#).

4. BILLING PROCEDURES AND PAYMENT

COMMERCE will pay Contractor upon acceptance of deliverables or services provided and receipt of properly completed invoices, which shall be submitted to COMMERCE via the Contracts Management System (CMS).

The invoices shall describe and document, to COMMERCE's satisfaction, a description of the work performed, the progress of the project, and any expenses to be reimbursed. The invoice shall include Contract Number F25-55502-001.

If applicable, Contractor must also include attachments that describe and document, to COMMERCE's satisfaction, a detailed description of the work performed, progress of the project, and/or receipts or other proof of payment. Except for approved indirect costs, if any, or as otherwise authorized by COMMERCE in writing, a receipt must accompany every expense in the amount of \$50.00 or more to receive reimbursement. COMMERCE may request additional documentation at any time.

Any expense reimbursed under this Contract which is later determined to be unallowable must be repaid according to the terms COMMERCE provides.

Payment shall be considered timely if made by COMMERCE within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of properly completed invoices. Payment shall be made electronically utilizing Contractor's Statewide Vendor (SWV) number.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Contract or withhold payments if the Contractor fails to satisfactorily comply with any term or condition of this Contract.

No payments in advance or in anticipation of services or supplies to be provided under this Agreement shall be made by COMMERCE. No payments in advance of or in anticipation of any expense reimbursable under this Contract shall be made by COMMERCE

If subgranting and/or subcontracting is authorized by COMMERCE, all Subgrantee/Subcontractor payments are reimbursable expenses within the meaning of this Agreement. Contractor must have, and may be required to demonstrate, the means to pay each and every Subgrantee/Subcontractor. Failure to pay Subgrantees/Subcontractors as agreed may result in suspension or termination of this Contract.

Invoices and End of Fiscal Year

Invoices are due on the 20th of the month following the provision of services.

Final invoices for a state fiscal year may be due sooner than the 20th and Commerce will provide notification of the end of fiscal year due date.

The Contractor must invoice for all expenses from the beginning of the Contract through June 30, regardless of the Contract start and end date.

Duplication of Billed Costs

The Contractor shall not bill COMMERCE for services performed under this Agreement, and COMMERCE shall not pay the Contractor, if the Contractor is entitled to payment or has been or will be paid by any other source, including grants, for that service.

Disallowed Costs

The Contractor is responsible for any audit exceptions or disallowed costs incurred by its own organization or that of its subgrantees.

Unless otherwise authorized by COMMERCE in writing, reimbursable payroll costs shall not include employee overtime nor bonus pay.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, withhold ten percent (10%) from each payment until acceptance by COMMERCE of the final report (or completion of the project, etc.).

5. SUBCONTRACTOR DATA COLLECTION

Contractor will submit reports, in a form and format to be provided by COMMERCE and at intervals as agreed by the parties, regarding work under this Contract performed by subcontractors and the portion of Contract funds expended for work performed by subcontractors, including but not necessarily limited to minority-owned, woman-owned, and veteran-owned business subcontractors. "Subcontractors" shall mean subcontractors of any tier.

6. **HISTORICAL OR CULTURAL ARTIFACTS**

Prior to approval and disbursement of any funds awarded under this Contract, Contractor shall complete the requirements of Governor's Executive Order 21-02, where applicable, or Contractor shall complete a review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, if applicable. Contractor agrees that the Contractor is legally and financially responsible for compliance with all laws, regulations, and agreements related to the preservation of historical or cultural resources and agrees to hold harmless COMMERCE and the state of Washington in relation to any claim related to such historical or cultural resources discovered, disturbed, or damaged as a result of the project funded by this Contract.

In addition to the requirements set forth in this Contract, Contractor shall, in accordance with Governor's Executive Order 21-02 coordinate with COMMERCE and the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation ("DAHP"), including any recommended consultation with any affected tribe(s), during Project design and prior to construction to determine the existence of any tribal cultural resources affected by Project. Contractor agrees to avoid, minimize, or mitigate impacts to the cultural resource as a continuing prerequisite to receipt of funds under this Contract.

The Contractor agrees that, unless the Contractor is proceeding under an approved historical and cultural monitoring plan or other memorandum of agreement, if historical or cultural artifacts are discovered during construction, the Contractor shall immediately stop construction and notify the local historical preservation officer and the state's historical preservation officer at DAHP, and the COMMERCE Representative identified on the Face Sheet. If human remains are uncovered, the Contractor shall report the presence and location of the remains to the coroner and local enforcement immediately, then contact DAHP and the concerned tribe's cultural staff or committee.

The Contractor shall require this provision to be contained in all subcontracts for work or services related to the Scope of Work attached hereto.

In addition to the requirements set forth in this Contract, Contractor agrees to comply with RCW 27.44 regarding Indian Graves and Records; RCW 27.53 regarding Archaeological Sites and Resources; RCW 68.60 regarding Abandoned and Historic Cemeteries and Historic Graves; and WAC 25-48 regarding Archaeological Excavation and Removal Permit.

Completion of the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act shall substitute for completion of Governor's Executive Order 21-02.

In the event that the Contractor finds it necessary to amend the Scope of Work the Contractor may be required to re-comply with Governor's Executive Order 21-02 or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

7. **INSURANCE**

The Contractor shall provide insurance coverage as set out in this section. The intent of the required insurance is to protect the State should there be any claims, suits, actions, costs, damages or expenses arising from any loss, or negligent or intentional act or omission of the Contractor or Subcontractor, or agents of either, while performing under the terms of this Contract. Failure to maintain the required insurance coverage may result in termination of this Contract.

The insurance required shall be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business within the state of Washington. Except for Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Insurance, the insurance shall name the state of Washington, its agents, officers, and employees as additional insureds under the insurance policy. All policies shall be primary to any other valid and collectable insurance. The Contractor shall provide COMMERCE thirty (30) calendar days' advance notice of any insurance cancellation, non-renewal or modification.

The Contractor shall submit a certificate of insurance to COMMERCE which outlines the coverage and limits defined in this insurance section within fifteen (15) calendar days of a written request by COMMERCE. The certifications shall show the insurance coverage, the designated beneficiary, who is covered, the amounts, the period of coverage, and that COMMERCE will be provided thirty (30) days' advance written notice of cancellation. During the term of this Contract, if requested, the Contractor shall

submit renewal certificates not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of each policy required under this section.

DO NOT send insurance certificates to COMMERCE unless requested by COMMERCE. Any certificates received by mail will be returned to sender unless the certificate identifies the contract number, contract manager name, and/or program name to which it applies.

The Contractor shall provide insurance coverage that shall be maintained in full force and effect during the term of this Contract, as follows:

Commercial General Liability Insurance Policy. Provide a Commercial General Liability Insurance Policy, including contractual liability, written on an occurrence basis, in adequate quantity to protect against legal liability arising out of contract activity but no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Additionally, the Contractor is responsible for ensuring that any Subcontractors provide adequate insurance coverage for the activities arising out of subcontracts.

Cyber Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall maintain Cyber Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall maintain minimum limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence to cover all activities by the Contractor and licensed staff employed or under contract to the Contractor. The state of Washington, its agents, officers, and employees need not be named as additional insureds under this policy.

Automobile Liability. In the event that performance pursuant to this Contract involves the use of vehicles, owned or operated by the Contractor or its Subcontractor, automobile liability insurance shall be required. The minimum limit for automobile liability is \$1,000,000 per occurrence, using a Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage.

Professional Liability, Errors and Omissions Insurance. The Contractor shall maintain Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Insurance. The Contractor shall maintain minimum limits of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence to cover all activities by the Contractor and licensed staff employed or under contract to the Contractor. The state of Washington, its agents, officers, and employees need not be named as additional insureds under this policy.

Fidelity Insurance. Every officer, director, employee, or agent who is authorized to act on behalf of the Contractor for the purpose of receiving or depositing funds into program accounts or issuing financial documents, checks, or other instruments of payment for program costs shall be insured to provide protection against loss:

- a. The amount of fidelity coverage secured pursuant to this Contract shall be \$100,000 or the highest of planned reimbursement for the Contract period, whichever is lowest. Fidelity insurance secured pursuant to this paragraph shall name COMMERCE as beneficiary.
- b. Subcontractors that receive \$10,000 or more per year in funding through this Contract shall secure fidelity insurance as noted above. Fidelity insurance secured by Subcontractors pursuant to this paragraph shall name the Contractor as beneficiary.

8. **USE OF APRENTICESHIP PROGRAM**

For Housing Trust Fund contracts with one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or more awarded by the Housing Trust Fund, Contractor shall make best efforts to select builders/contractors that use an approved apprenticeship program as described in RCW 39.04.320. The apprenticeship program requires that a minimum of 15% of total labor hours be provided by Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council (WSATC)-registered apprentices. The builders/contractors selected should meet the requirements of this law and should ask those who subcontract this work from them to use apprentice labor. Should such builders/contractors not be available, the Contractor may select the otherwise most responsible and responsive builders/contractors, and should document its efforts to comply with the law.

9. **FRAUD AND OTHER LOSS REPORTING**

Contractor shall report in writing all known or suspected fraud or other loss of any funds or other property furnished under this Contract immediately or as soon as practicable to the COMMERCE Representative identified on the Face Sheet.

10. **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

In the event of an inconsistency in this Contract, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- Applicable federal and state of Washington statutes and regulations
- Attachment D – Federal Pass-Through Requirements Program Specific Terms and Conditions
- Special Terms and Conditions
- General Terms and Conditions
- Attachment A – Scope of Work
- Attachment B – Budget
- Attachment C – Reporting

General Terms and Conditions

1. DEFINITIONS

As used throughout this Contract, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

- A. "Authorized Representative" shall mean the Director and/or the designee authorized in writing to act on the Director's behalf.
- B. "COMMERCE" or "Department" shall mean the Washington Department of Commerce.
- C. "Contract" or "Agreement" or "Grant" means the entire written agreement between COMMERCE and the Contractor, including any Exhibits, documents, or materials incorporated by reference. E-mail or Facsimile transmission of a signed copy of this contract shall be the same as delivery of an original.
- D. "Contractor" or "Grantee" shall mean the entity identified on the face sheet performing service(s) under this Contract, and shall include all employees and agents of the Contractor.
- E. "Modified Total Direct Costs" (MTDC) shall mean all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel, and up to the first \$50,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award). MTDC excludes equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs, and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$50,000.
- F. "Personal Information" shall mean information identifiable to any person, including, but not limited to, information that relates to a person's name, health, finances, education, business, use or receipt of governmental services or other activities, addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, driver license numbers, other identifying numbers, and any financial identifiers, and "Protected Health Information" under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).
- G. "State" shall mean the state of Washington.
- H. "Subaward" shall mean an award provided by a pass-through entity to a subrecipient for the subrecipient to carry out part of a Federal award received by the pass-through entity. It does not include payments to a contractor or payments to an individual that is a beneficiary of a Federal program. A subaward may be provided through any form of legal agreement, including an agreement that the pass-through entity considers a contract.
- I. "Subcontractor" shall mean one not in the employment of the Contractor, who is performing all or part of those services under this Contract under a separate contract with the Contractor. The terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) in any tier.
- J. "Subrecipient" shall mean a non-Federal entity that receives a subaward from a pass-through entity to carry out part of a Federal program; but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such program. A subrecipient may also be a recipient of other Federal awards directly from a Federal awarding agency.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE COST ALLOCATION

Administrative costs that may be allowed as set forth in the Special Terms and Conditions. Administrative services shared by other programs shall be assigned to this Contract based on an allocation plan that reflects allowable administrative costs that support services provided under each Contract administered by the Contractor. An approved current federal indirect cost rate may be applied up to the maximum administrative budget allowed.

3. ALLOWABLE COSTS

Costs allowable under this Contract are actual expenditures according to an approved budget up to the maximum amount stated on the Contract Award or Amendment Face Sheet.

4. **ALL WRITINGS CONTAINED HEREIN**
This Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Contract shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.
5. **AMENDMENTS**
This Contract may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.
6. **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) OF 1990, PUBLIC LAW 101-336, also referred to as the "ADA" 28 CFR Part 35**
The Contractor must comply with the ADA, which provides comprehensive civil rights protection to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunications.
7. **APPROVAL**
This contract shall be subject to the written approval of COMMERCE's Authorized Representative and shall not be binding until so approved. The contract may be altered, amended, or waived only by a written amendment executed by both parties.
8. **ASSIGNMENT**
Neither this Contract, nor any claim arising under this Contract, shall be transferred or assigned by the Contractor without prior written consent of COMMERCE.
9. **ATTORNEYS' FEES**
Unless expressly permitted under another provision of the Contract, in the event of litigation or other action brought to enforce Contract terms, each party agrees to bear its own attorneys' fees and costs.
10. **AUDIT**
If the Grantee expends \$1,000,000 or more in federal awards as a Subrecipient from any and all sources in a fiscal year, the Grantee shall procure and pay for a single audit or a program-specific audit for that fiscal year in accordance with 2 CFR 200 Subpart F. In accordance with 2 CFR 200.501, for-profit Subrecipients expending \$1,000,000 or more in federal awards in a fiscal year are also required to procure and pay for a single audit or program-specific audit for that fiscal year. Upon completion of each audit:
If non-profit, Grantee shall send to the [Federal Audit Clearinghouse](#).
If for-profit, Grantee shall submit all audit documentation to COMMERCE.
If the Grantee expends **less** than \$1,000,000 in federal awards as a Subrecipient from any and all sources in a fiscal year, whether non-profit or for-profit, the Grantee shall notify COMMERCE they did not meet the audit requirement threshold.
11. **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION- PRIMARY AND LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS**
Contractor, defined as the primary participant and its principals, certifies by signing these General Terms and Conditions that to the best of its knowledge and belief that they:
 - A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, and declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency.
 - B. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private agreement or transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice;
 - C. 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)(b) of federal Executive Order 12549; and

- D. Have not within a three-year period preceding the signing of this Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause of default.

Where the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Contract, the Contractor shall attach an explanation to this Contract.

The Contractor agrees by signing this Contract that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by COMMERCE.

The Contractor further agrees by signing this Contract that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," as follows, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

E. LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

- F. The lower tier contractor certifies, by signing this Contract 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.
- G. Where the lower tier contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Contract, such contractor shall attach an explanation to this Contract.

The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, person, primary covered transaction, principal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this section, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact COMMERCE for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

12. **CODE REQUIREMENTS**

All construction and rehabilitation projects must satisfy the requirements of applicable local, state, and federal building, mechanical, plumbing, fire, energy and barrier-free codes. Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 28 C.F.R. Part 35 will be required, as specified by the local building Department.

13. **CONFIDENTIALITY/SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION**

- A. "Confidential Information" as used in this section includes:
 - i. All material provided to the Contractor by COMMERCE that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE;
 - ii. All material produced by the Contractor that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE; and
 - iii. All personal information in the possession of the Contractor that may not be disclosed under state or federal law.
- B. The Contractor shall comply with all state and federal laws related to the use, sharing, transfer, sale, or disclosure of Confidential Information. The Contractor shall use Confidential Information solely for the purposes of this Contract and shall not use, share, transfer, sell or disclose any Confidential Information to any third party except with the prior written consent of COMMERCE or as may be required by law. The Contractor shall take all necessary steps to assure that Confidential Information is safeguarded to prevent unauthorized use, sharing, transfer, sale or disclosure of Confidential Information or violation of any state or federal laws related thereto. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide COMMERCE with its policies and procedures on confidentiality. COMMERCE may require changes to such policies and procedures as they apply to this Contract whenever COMMERCE reasonably determines that changes are necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosures. The Contractor shall make the changes within the time period specified by COMMERCE. Upon request, the Contractor shall immediately return to COMMERCE any Confidential Information that COMMERCE reasonably determines has not been adequately protected by the Contractor against unauthorized disclosure.

- C. Unauthorized Use or Disclosure. The Contractor shall notify COMMERCE within five (5) working days of any unauthorized use or disclosure of any confidential information, and shall take necessary steps to mitigate the harmful effects of such use or disclosure.

14. **CONFORMANCE**

If any provision of this contract violates any statute or rule of law of the state of Washington, it is considered modified to conform to that statute or rule of law.

15. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Contractor must maintain and comply with written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts. Contractor must comply with the following minimum requirements:

No employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract. The officers, employees, and agents of the Contractor may neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts and must comply with RCW 39.26.020. However, Contractor may set standards for situations in which the financial interest is not substantial or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal value. The standards of conduct must provide for disciplinary actions to be applied for violations of such standards by officers, employees, or agents of the Contractor.

If the Contractor has a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization that is not a state, local government, or federally recognized tribe, the Contractor must also maintain written standards of conduct covering organizational conflicts of interest. Organizational conflicts of interest means that because of relationships with a parent company, affiliate, or subsidiary organization, the Contractor is unable or appears to be unable to be impartial in conducting a procurement action involving a related organization.

16. **COPYRIGHT PROVISIONS**

Unless otherwise provided, all Materials produced under this Contract shall be considered "works for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act and shall be owned by COMMERCE. COMMERCE shall be considered the author of such Materials. In the event the Materials are not considered "works for hire" under the U.S. Copyright laws, the Contractor hereby irrevocably assigns all right, title, and interest in all Materials, including all intellectual property rights, moral rights, and rights of publicity to COMMERCE effective from the moment of creation of such Materials.

"Materials" means all items in any format and includes, but is not limited to, data, reports, documents, pamphlets, advertisements, books, magazines, surveys, studies, computer programs, films, tapes, and/or sound reproductions. "Ownership" includes the right to copyright, patent, register and the ability to transfer these rights.

For Materials that are delivered under the Contract, but that incorporate pre-existing materials not produced under the Contract, the Contractor hereby grants to COMMERCE a nonexclusive, royalty-free, irrevocable license (with rights to sublicense to others) in such Materials to translate, reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works, publicly perform, and publicly display. The Contractor warrants and represents that the Contractor has all rights and permissions, including intellectual property rights, moral rights and rights of publicity, necessary to grant such a license to COMMERCE.

The Contractor shall exert all reasonable effort to advise COMMERCE, at the time of delivery of Materials furnished under this Contract, of all known or potential invasions of privacy contained therein and of any portion of such document which was not produced in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall provide COMMERCE with prompt written notice of each notice or claim of infringement received by the Contractor with respect to any Materials delivered under this Contract. COMMERCE shall have the right to modify or remove any restrictive markings placed upon the Materials by the Contractor.

17. **DISALLOWED COSTS**

The Contractor is responsible for any audit exceptions or disallowed costs incurred by its own organization or that of its Subcontractors.

18. **DISPUTES**

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, when a dispute arises between the parties and it cannot be resolved by direct negotiation, either party may request a dispute hearing with the Director of COMMERCE, who may designate a neutral person to decide the dispute.

The request for a dispute hearing must:

- i. be in writing;
- ii. state the disputed issues;
- iii. state the relative positions of the parties;
- iv. state the Contractor's name, address, and Contract number; and
- v. be mailed to the Director and the other party's (respondent's) Contract Representative within three (3) working days after the parties agree that they cannot resolve the dispute.

The respondent shall send a written answer to the requestor's statement to both the Director or the Director's designee and the requestor within five (5) working days.

The Director or designee shall review the written statements and reply in writing to both parties within ten (10) working days. The Director or designee may extend this period if necessary by notifying the parties.

The decision shall not be admissible in any succeeding judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding.

The parties agree that this dispute process shall precede any action in a judicial or quasi-judicial tribunal.

Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to limit the parties' choice of a mutually acceptable alternate dispute resolution (ADR) method in addition to the dispute hearing procedure outlined above.

19. **DUPLICATE PAYMENT**

The Contractor certifies that work to be performed under this contract does not duplicate any work to be charged against any other contract, subcontract, or other source.

20. **GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE**

This Contract shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the state of Washington, and the venue of any action brought hereunder shall be in the Superior Court for Thurston County.

21. **INDEMNIFICATION**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the state of Washington, COMMERCE, agencies of the state and all officials, agents and employees of the state, from and against all claims for injuries or death arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract. "Claim" as used in this contract, means any financial loss, claim, suit, action, damage, or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees, attributable for bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or injury to or the destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom.

The Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless includes any claim by Contractor's agents, employees, representatives, or any subcontractor or its employees.

The Contractor's obligation shall not include such claims that may be caused by the sole negligence of the State and its agencies, officials, agents, and employees. If the claims or damages are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (a) the State, its agents or employees and (b) the Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, or employees, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the negligence of the Contractor or its subcontractors, agents, or employees.

The Contractor waives its immunity under Title 51 RCW to the extent it is required to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the state and its agencies, officers, agents or employees.

22. **INDEPENDENT CAPACITY OF THE CONTRACTOR**

The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship will be created by this Contract. The Contractor and its employees or agents performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the state of Washington or COMMERCE. The Contractor will not hold itself out as or claim to be an officer or employee of COMMERCE or of the state of Washington by reason hereof, nor will the Contractor make any claim of right, privilege or benefit which would accrue to such officer or employee under law. Conduct and control of the work will be solely with the Contractor.

23. **INDIRECT COSTS**

The Contractor shall provide their indirect cost rate that has been negotiated between their entity and the Federal Government. If no such rate exists a de minimis indirect cost rate of not more than 15% of Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) may be used.

24. **INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of Title 51 RCW, Industrial Insurance. If the Contractor fails to provide industrial insurance coverage or fails to pay premiums or penalties on behalf of its employees as may be required by law, COMMERCE may collect from the Contractor the full amount payable to the Industrial Insurance Accident Fund. COMMERCE may deduct the amount owed by the Contractor to the accident fund from the amount payable to the Contractor by COMMERCE under this Contract, and transmit the deducted amount to the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) Division of Insurance Services. This provision does not waive any of L&I's rights to collect from the Contractor.

25. **LAWS**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, regulations and policies of local, state, and federal governments, as now or hereafter amended.

26. **LICENSING, ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing, accreditation and registration requirements or standards necessary for the performance of this Contract.

27. **LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY**

Only the Authorized Representative or Authorized Representative's designee by writing (designation to be made prior to action) shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clause or condition of this Contract.

28. **LOCAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION**

Where applicable, Contractor shall participate in local public transportation forums and implement strategies designed to ensure access to services.

29. **NONDISCRIMINATION**

A. Nondiscrimination Requirement. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor, including any subcontractor, shall comply with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws, regulations and policies, this shall include but not be limited to the following: GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, shall not discriminate on the bases enumerated at RCW 49.60.530(3). In addition, GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, shall give written notice of this nondiscrimination requirement to any labor organizations with which GRANTEE, or subcontractor, has a collective bargaining or other agreement.

The funds provided under this Agreement shall not be used to fund religious worship, exercise, or instruction. No person shall be required to participate in any religious worship, exercise, or instruction in order to have access to the facilities funded by this Agreement.

B. Obligation to Cooperate. GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, shall cooperate and comply with any Washington state agency investigation regarding any allegation that GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, has engaged in discrimination prohibited by this Agreement pursuant to RCW 49.60.530(3).

C. Default. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, COMMERCE may suspend GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, upon notice of a failure to participate and cooperate with any state agency investigation into alleged discrimination prohibited by this Contract, pursuant to RCW 49.60.530(3). Any such suspension will remain in place until COMMERCE receives notification that GRANTEE, including any subcontractor, is cooperating with the investigating state agency. In the event GRANTEE, or subcontractor, is determined to have engaged in discrimination identified at RCW 49.60.530(3), COMMERCE may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, and GRANTEE, subcontractor, or both, may be referred for debarment as provided in RCW 39.26.200. GRANTEE or subcontractor may be given a reasonable time in which to cure this noncompliance, including implementing conditions consistent with any court-ordered injunctive relief or settlement agreement.

D. Remedies for Breach. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, in the event of Agreement termination or suspension for engaging in discrimination, GRANTEE, subcontractor, or both, shall be liable for contract damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original Grant and the replacement or cover Grant and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement Grant, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time, which damages are distinct from any penalties imposed under Chapter 49.60, RCW. GRANTEE may also be required to repay grant funds pursuant to Section 37 (Recapture) of the General Terms & Conditions if the Agreement is terminated based on a violation of the nondiscrimination requirement. COMMERCE shall have the right to deduct from any monies due to GRANTEE or subcontractor, or that thereafter become due, an amount for damages GRANTEE or subcontractor will owe COMMERCE for default under this provision.

30. **NOTIFICATION OF TENANT RIGHTS/RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Contractor shall provide all tenants, if any, with information outlining tenant rights and responsibilities under the Washington State Landlord Tenant laws, Title 59, Revised Code of Washington.

The Contractor shall also provide all occupants of property acquired with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds notice regarding their eligibility for relocation assistance. Such notices will be provided as required by the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970, as amended and referenced in 49 CFR part 24 and Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and referenced in 24 CFR 570 and noted in HUD's Handbook No. 1378. Notifications will include but not be limited to:

General Information Notice

Notice of Displacement/Non-Displacement

31. **PAY EQUITY**

The Contractor agrees to ensure that "similarly employed" individuals in its workforce are compensated as equals, consistent with the following:

- A. Employees are "similarly employed" if the individuals work for the same employer, the performance of the job requires comparable skill, effort, and responsibility, and the jobs are performed under similar working conditions. Job titles alone are not determinative of whether employees are similarly employed;
- B. Contractor may allow differentials in compensation for its workers if the differentials are based in good faith and on any of the following:
 - i. A seniority system; a merit system; a system that measures earnings by quantity or quality of production; a bona fide job-related factor or factors; or a bona fide regional difference in compensation levels.
 - ii. A bona fide job-related factor or factors may include, but not be limited to, education, training, or experience that is: Consistent with business necessity; not based on or derived from a gender-based differential; and accounts for the entire differential.
 - iii. A bona fide regional difference in compensation level must be: Consistent with business necessity; not based on or derived from a gender-based differential; and account for the entire differential.

This Contract may be terminated by the Department, if the Department or the Department of Enterprise Services determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with this provision.

32. **POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**

Political activity of Contractor's employees and officers are limited by the State Campaign Finances and Lobbying provisions of Chapter 42.17A RCW and the Federal Hatch Act, 5 USC 1501 - 1508. No funds may be used for working for or against ballot measures or for or against the candidacy of any person for public office.

33. **PREVAILING WAGE LAW**

The Contractor certifies that all contractors and subcontractors performing work on the Project shall comply with state Prevailing Wages on Public Works, Chapter 39.12 RCW, as applicable to the Project funded by this contract, including but not limited to the filing of the "Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages" and "Affidavit of Wages Paid" as required by RCW 39.12.040. The Contractor shall maintain records sufficient to evidence compliance with Chapter 39.12 RCW, and shall make such records available for COMMERCE's review upon request.

34. **PROCUREMENT STANDARDS FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS**

All Contractors must establish procurement policies and procedures in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, for all purchases funded by this Contract.

The Contractor's procurement system should include at least the following:

A code or standard of conduct that shall govern the performance of its officers, employees, or agents engaged in the awarding of contracts using federal funds.

Procedures that ensure all procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner to provide, to the maximum extent practical, open and free competition.

Minimum procedural requirements, as follows:

- i. Follow a procedure to assure the avoidance of purchasing unnecessary or duplicative items.
- ii. Solicitations shall be based upon a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements of the procured items.
- iii. Positive efforts shall be made to use small and minority-owned businesses.
- iv. The type of procuring instrument (fixed price, cost reimbursement) shall be determined by the Contractor, but must be appropriate for the particular procurement and for promoting the best interest of the program involved.
- v. Contracts shall be made only with reasonable subcontractors who possess the potential ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed procurement.
- vi. Some form of price or cost analysis should be performed in connection with every procurement action.
- vii. Procurement records and files for purchases shall include all of the following:

Contractor selection or rejection.

The basis for the cost or price.

Justification for lack of competitive bids if offers are not obtained.

- viii. A system for contract administration to ensure Contractor conformance with terms, conditions and specifications of this Contract, and to ensure adequate and timely follow-up of all purchases.

Contractor and Subcontractor must receive prior approval from COMMERCE for using funds from this Contract to enter into a sole source contract or a contract where only one bid or proposal is received when value of this Contract is expected to exceed \$5,000.

Prior approval requests shall include a copy of proposed contracts and any related procurement documents and justification for non-competitive procurement, if applicable.

35. **PROHIBITION AGAINST PAYMENT OF BONUS OR COMMISSION**

The funds provided under this Contract shall not be used in payment of any bonus or commission for the purpose of obtaining approval of the application for such funds or any other approval or concurrence under this Contract provided, however, that reasonable fees or bona fide technical consultant, managerial, or other such services, other than actual solicitation, are not hereby prohibited if otherwise eligible as project costs.

36. **PUBLICITY**

The Contractor agrees not to publish or use any advertising or publicity materials in which the state of Washington or COMMERCE's name is mentioned, or language used from which the connection with the state of Washington's or COMMERCE's name may reasonably be inferred or implied, without the prior written consent of COMMERCE.

37. **RECAPTURE**

In the event that the Contractor fails to perform this Contract in accordance with state laws, federal laws, and/or the provisions of this Contract, COMMERCE reserves the right to recapture funds in an amount to compensate COMMERCE for the noncompliance in addition to any other remedies available at law or in equity.

Repayment by the Contractor of funds under this recapture provision shall occur within the time period specified by COMMERCE. In the alternative, COMMERCE may recapture such funds from payments due under this Contract.

38. **RECORDS MAINTENANCE**

The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, data and other evidence relating to this contract and performance of the services described herein, including but not limited to accounting procedures and practices that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Contract.

The Contractor shall retain such records for a period of six years following the date of final payment. At no additional cost, these records, including materials generated under the Contract, shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review or audit by COMMERCE, personnel duly authorized by COMMERCE, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal and state officials so authorized by law, regulation or agreement.

If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

39. **REGISTRATION WITH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

If required by law, the Contractor shall complete registration with the Washington State Department of Revenue.

40. **RIGHT OF INSPECTION**

At no additional cost all records relating to the Contractor's performance under this Contract shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review, and audit by COMMERCE, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal and state officials so authorized by law, in order to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and quality assurance under this Contract. The Contractor shall provide access to its facilities for this purpose.

41. **SAVINGS**

In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Contract and prior to normal completion, COMMERCE may terminate the Contract under the "Termination for Convenience" clause, without the ten business day notice requirement. In lieu of termination, the Contract may be amended to reflect the new funding limitations and conditions.

42. **SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this Contract are intended to be severable. If any term or provision is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Contract.

43. **SITE SECURITY**

While on COMMERCE premises, Contractor, its agents, employees, or subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire or other security policies or regulations.

44. **SUBCONTRACTING**

The Contractor may only subcontract work contemplated under this Contract if it obtains the prior written approval of COMMERCE.

If COMMERCE approves subcontracting, the Contractor shall maintain written procedures related to subcontracting, as well as copies of all subcontracts and records related to subcontracts. For cause, COMMERCE in writing may: (a) require the Contractor to amend its subcontracting procedures as they relate to this Contract; (b) prohibit the Contractor from subcontracting with a particular person or entity; or (c) require the Contractor to rescind or amend a subcontract.

Every subcontract shall bind the Subcontractor to follow all applicable terms of this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to COMMERCE if the Subcontractor fails to comply with any applicable term or condition of this Contract. The Contractor shall appropriately monitor the activities of the

Subcontractor to assure fiscal conditions of this Contract. In no event shall the existence of a subcontract operate to release or reduce the liability of the Contractor to COMMERCE for any breach in the performance of the Contractor's duties.

Every subcontract shall include a term that COMMERCE and the State of Washington are not liable for claims or damages arising from a Subcontractor's performance of the subcontract.

45. **SURVIVAL**

The terms, conditions, and warranties contained in this Contract that by their sense and context are intended to survive the completion of the performance, cancellation or termination of this Contract shall so survive.

46. **TAXES**

All payments accrued on account of payroll taxes, unemployment contributions, the Contractor's income or gross receipts, any other taxes, insurance or expenses for the Contractor or its staff shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

47. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

In the event COMMERCE determines the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this Contract in a timely manner, COMMERCE has the right to suspend or terminate this contract. Before suspending or terminating the Contract, COMMERCE shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within 30 calendar days, the Contract may be terminated or suspended.

In the event of termination or suspension, the Contractor shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original contract and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time.

COMMERCE reserves the right to suspend all or part of the contract, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by COMMERCE to terminate the Contract. A termination shall be deemed a "Termination for Convenience" if it is determined that the Contractor: (1) was not in default; or (2) failure to perform was outside of his or her control, fault or negligence.

The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this Contract are not exclusive and are, in addition to any other rights and remedies, provided by law.

48. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, COMMERCE may, by ten (10) business days written notice, beginning on the second day after the mailing, terminate this Contract, in whole or in part. If this Contract is so terminated, COMMERCE shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of this Contract for services rendered or goods delivered prior to the effective date of termination.

49. **TERMINATION PROCEDURES**

Upon termination of this Contract, COMMERCE, in addition to any other rights provided in this Contract, may require the Contractor to deliver to COMMERCE any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this Contract as has been terminated. The provisions of the "Treatment of Assets" clause shall apply in such property transfer.

COMMERCE shall pay to the Contractor the agreed upon price, if separately stated, for completed work and services accepted by COMMERCE, and the amount agreed upon by the Contractor and COMMERCE for (i) completed work and services for which no separate price is stated, (ii) partially completed work and services, (iii) other property or services that are accepted by COMMERCE, and (iv) the protection and preservation of property, unless the termination is for default, in which case the Authorized Representative shall determine the extent of the liability of COMMERCE. Failure to agree with such determination shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this Contract. COMMERCE may withhold from any amounts due the Contractor such sum as the Authorized Representative determines to be necessary to protect COMMERCE against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Authorized Representative, the Contractor shall:

- A. Stop work under the Contract on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice;
- B. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Contract that is not terminated;
- C. Assign to COMMERCE, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative, all of the rights, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case COMMERCE has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts;
- D. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Authorized Representative to the extent the Authorized Representative may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
- E. Transfer title to COMMERCE and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative any property which, if the Contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to COMMERCE;
- F. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Authorized Representative; and
- G. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Authorized Representative may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this Contract, which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which COMMERCE has or may acquire an interest.

50. **TREATMENT OF ASSETS**

Title to all property furnished by COMMERCE shall remain in COMMERCE. Title to all property furnished by the Contractor, for the cost of which the Contractor is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item of cost under this Contract, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon delivery of such property by the Contractor. Title to other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Contractor under this Contract, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon (i) issuance for use of such property in the performance of this Contract, or (ii) commencement of use of such property in the performance of this contract, or (iii) reimbursement of the cost thereof by COMMERCE in whole or in part, whichever first occurs.

- A. Any property of COMMERCE furnished to the Contractor shall, unless otherwise provided herein or approved by COMMERCE, be used only for the performance of this Contract.
- B. The Contractor shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of COMMERCE that results from the negligence of the Contractor or which results from the failure on the part of the Contractor to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.
- C. If any COMMERCE property is lost, destroyed or damaged, the Contractor shall immediately notify COMMERCE and shall take all reasonable steps to protect the property from further damage.
- D. The Contractor shall surrender to COMMERCE all property of COMMERCE prior to settlement upon completion, termination or cancellation of this Contract.
- E. All reference to the Contractor under this clause shall also include Contractor's employees, agents or Subcontractors.

51. **WAIVER**

Waiver of any default or breach shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default or breach. Any waiver shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Contract unless stated to be such in writing and signed by Authorized Representative of COMMERCE.

52. **WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS**

The Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333) Where applicable, all contracts awarded by recipients in excess of \$100,000 for construction and other purposes that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with Section 102 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). Under Section 102 of the Act, each subcontractor is required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than 1 ½ times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. Section 107 of the Act is applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer or mechanic is required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

Attachment A: Scope of Work

Purpose/ narrative: The Jorstad Substation Grid Resilience Project will begin the planning and lay the groundwork for a middle mile distribution substation in Lilliwaup, Washington. Scope of work under this grant includes: hiring an engineering firm to complete the design and engineering for an electric distribution substation as well as the distribution feeders to connect the substation to the existing power grid. Engineering deliverables include final design for substation (at 30/60/90 percent intervals) and the exit feeders as well as the creation of RFPs and specifications for construction, materials, and equipment. Additional consultant work will include a geotechnical report, creation of a line load study application for Bonneville Power Administration, and local county permitting for construction. Procurement deliverables include purchasing distribution materials for the two exit feeders, so they are on site and available for construction activities and publishing an RFP for a substation transformer and ordering the transformer. The transformer has a partial payment due to secure our place in the queue, with the rest due upon delivery. It’s possible that delivery could take 18-24 months, depending on supply chain. Construction deliverables include the installation of underground conduits and vaults for the double circuit and fiber line.

Objectives:

Milestone A – Project Development, Design and Contracting

A1: Electrical Engineering - Transformer Request for Proposals Sent. December 2025)

Deliverables: Copy of Transformer RFP.

A2: Geotechnical Report - Provide Geotechnical report for project site. (March 2026)

Deliverables: Provide geotechnical report for project site.

A3: Distribution Engineering - IFC Completed & Construction SOW RFP Completed. (March 2026)

Deliverables: Copy of IFC and Construction SOW RFP.

A4: Distribution Engineering – Permits and BPA Line Load Study completed (March 2026)

Deliverables: Copy of Line Load study and submitted permits.

A5: Civil Engineering - 30% Drawing Review (March 2026)

Notes: Engineers will submit 30/60/90 percent designs for review and approvals. And then a final design accompanied by RFPS for construction, equipment, and materials.

Deliverables: Copy of 30% drawing review.

A6: Civil Engineering - 60% Drawing Review & Phase 2 Civil Package Complete (March 2026)

Deliverables: Copy of 60% drawing review.

A7: Electrical Engineering – 90% Drawing Review (June 2026)

Notes: Engineers will submit 30/60/90 percent designs for review and approvals. And then a final design accompanied by RFPS for construction, equipment, and materials.

Deliverables: Copy of 90% Drawing review.

A8: Electrical Engineering - IFC Drawings Issued for Phase 3 (September 2026)

Deliverables: Copy of IFC Drawings.

A9: Electrical Engineering - Construction SOW / RFP w/ Engineer's Estimate (September 2026)

Milestone B – Procurement

B1: Order Substation Transformer (December 2025)

- Issue purchase for distribution transformer. Typically requires a 60% due on order deposit.

Deliverables: PO for distribution transformer and confirmation of 60% payment on PO.

B2: Distribution Materials Procurement (March 2026)

- Engineers will provide list and quantities of materials for the exit feeders.

Notes: PUD will procure the materials (vaults, conduits, cable) through our regular suppliers and accept delivery. Issue purchase orders for materials and receive them at PUD warehouse

Deliverables: PO for materials and exit feeders. Required BABA compliance documents or waivers.

Milestone C – Equipment Delivery, Installation, Construction, Integration & Commissioning

C1: Distribution Construction

(September 2026)

- Qualified electrical contractor to construct the exit feeders

Notes: PUD will submit an RFP for electrical contractors and review bids and award the project to the lowest responsible bidder. Our public works contracts have NET 30 payment terms with monthly invoices being reviewed and verified by engineer and then submitted to accounting for payment. Accounting verifies certified payrolls and makes payment for approved progress to-date of invoice. On site visits to approve final work product before project is closed out for substantial completion.

Deliverables: Confirmation that work is completed.

C2: Delivery of Transformer

(September 2027)

- Transformers arrive either at PUD campus or at the Jorstad site, depending on foundation availability. Remaining balance due upon delivery of acceptance.

Notes: The transformer may take 18-24 months for delivery, depending on supply chain and demand. The transformer will be delivered to the PUD warehouse and undergo delivery inspection and acceptance. It cannot be placed at the substation site until the civil construction phase is completed, and the foundations are poured to set the transformer. After it is placed at the site and the above ground station construction occurs, it will be tested and commissioned and brought into service.

Deliverables: Site placement and commissioning tests.

Attachment B: Budget

All funding is subject to continued legislative authorization and re-appropriation where applicable.

The amounts below are not to be exceeded.

Contractor may adjust budget line items by no more than 10% per task without an amendment. Contractor must notify Commerce within 10 business days of making such adjustments.

Work products and notifications for their completion will be delivered via email and regular meetings.

The funds listed under the “Federal Share” represents the full subaward to the subrecipient and includes both federal and state funds for the project.

Summary:

SUMMARY OF BUDGET CATEGORY COSTS PROPOSED					
Section A - Budget Summary					
Application Period	Federal Share	Cost Match	Total Project Costs	Cost Match % of Federal Share	Proposed Application Period Dates
	\$3,000,000	\$1,408,564	\$4,408,564	47%	

Section B - Budget Categories				
CATEGORY	Total Costs	% of Project	Comments (as needed)	
a. Personnel	\$0	0.00%		
b. Fringe Benefits	\$0	0.00%		

c. Travel	\$0	0.00%	
d. Equipment	\$0	0.00%	
e. Supplies	\$0	0.00%	
f. Contractual Sub-recipient Vendor FFRDC Total Contractual	\$0	0.00%	
	\$4,408,564	100.00%	
	\$0	0.00%	
	\$4,408,564	100.00%	
g. Other Direct Costs	\$0	0.00%	
Total Direct Costs	\$4,408,564	100.00%	
h. Indirect Charges	\$0	0.00%	
Total Costs	\$4,408,564	100.00%	

A. Personnel:

Task #	Position Title	Application Period			Rate Basis
		Time (Hrs)	Pay Rate (\$/Hr)	Total (\$)	
				\$0	
				\$0	
				\$0	
	Total Direct Personnel Cost	0		\$0	

B. Fringe Benefits:

Labor Type	Application Period		
	Personnel Costs	Rate	Total

			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total:		\$0	\$0

C. Travel:

Task #	Purpose of Travel	Depart From	Destination	No. of Days	No. of Travelers	Lodging per Traveler	Flight per Traveler	Vehicle per Traveler	Per Diem Per Traveler	Cost per Trip	Basis for Estimating Costs
	Domestic Travel	Application Period									
										\$0	
										\$0	
										\$0	
	Total Cost									\$0	

D. Equipment:

Task #	Equipment Item	Qty	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Basis of Cost	Justification of Need
Application Period						
				\$0		
				\$0		
				\$0		
	Total			\$0		

E. Supplies:

Task #	General Category of Supplies	Qty	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Basis of Cost	Justification of Need
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Application Period					
				\$0	
				\$0	
				\$0	
		Total		\$0	

F. Contractual:

Task #	Vendor Name/Organization	Purpose and Basis of Cost	Project Total
1	To Be Determined	NEPA, Geotech, Bonneville Power Load Study. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$90,000
2	To Be Determined	Engineering for Distribution Double Circuit. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$61,500
3	To Be Determined	Engineering for Substation - Civil. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$83,000
4	To Be Determined	Engineering for Substation - Electrical. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$444,000
5	To Be Determined	Purchase of Power Transformer with Load Tap Changer. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$1,000,000
6	To Be Determined	Procure Distribution Materials. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$1,064,264
7	To Be Determined	Construction of Distribution Double Circuit. Historic data and recent project quotes.	\$1,665,800
		Sub-total	\$4,408,564

G. Other Direct Costs:

Task #	General Description and SOPO Task #	Cost	Basis of Cost	Justification of need
Application Period				

	Total	\$0	

H. Indirect Costs:

	Application Period	Explanation of BASE
Provide ONLY Applicable Rates:		
Overhead Rate	0.00%	
General & Administrative (G&A)	0.00%	
FCCM Rate, if applicable	0.00%	
OTHER Indirect Rate	0.00%	
Indirect Costs (As Applicable):		
Overhead Costs		
G&A Costs		
FCCM Costs, if applicable		
OTHER Indirect Costs		
Total indirect costs requested:	\$0	

I. Cost Match:

Organization/Source	Type (Cash or In Kind)	Cost Match Item	Total Project Cost Match
Mason County PUD No 1	Cash	Mason County PUD 1 will use its Line of Credit through CoBank to cover the match for this project	\$1,408,564
		Total Cost Match	\$1,408,564

J. Cost Match Budget Category:

Organization/Source	Type (Cash or In Kind)	Cost Match Description	Cost Match Budget Category	Total Project Cost Match
			Personnel	
			Fringe	
			Travel	
			Equipment	
			Supplies	
Mason County PUD No 1	Cash	Mason County PUD 1's Line of Credit with CoBank	Contractual	\$1,408,564
			Other	
			Indirect	
		Total Cost Match		\$1,408,564

Attachment C: Reporting

The Contractor must provide quarterly written reports and/or host a regular quarterly video and/or phone call with COMMERCE for project update purposes. Phone contact should cover current status of the project and any barriers that are potentially affecting the project schedule.

The Contractor shall provide a quarterly report to COMMERCE, no later than 15 days after the end of each quarter. The report form will be provided by Commerce. The report should describe the project activity that occurred during the quarter, including but not limited to:

1. A narrative summarizing project activities, risks and issues mitigated, and lessons learned;
2. The project milestones met to date and anticipated in the subsequent quarter (such as through a project Gantt Chart schedule provided quarterly in Microsoft Project format showing actual progress to date along with the baseline schedule developed at project kickoff etc.); and,
3. Any additional metrics required from the capital budget proviso, legislature, governor's office, or COMMERCE.
4. Quarterly updated invoice projection sheet for grant expenditures. Commerce will provide the invoice projection sheet;

A final report and fact sheet will be submitted to Commerce. Commerce will provide the fact sheet template and may request the fact sheet be updated as conditions warrant.

Quarterly Report Due Dates:

Quarter 1: April 15th

Quarter 2: July 15th

Quarter 3: October 15th

Quarter 4: January 15th

Attachment D: Federal Pass Through Requirements

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LEGAL AUTHORITY AND EFFECT (JUNE 2015)

- (a) A DOE financial assistance award is valid only if it is in writing and is signed, either in writing or electronically, by a DOE Contracting Officer.
- (b) Recipients are free to accept or reject the award. A request to draw down DOE funds constitutes the Recipient's acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Award.

RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTING CONDITIONS

Any apparent inconsistency between Federal statutes and regulations and the terms and conditions contained in this award must be referred to the DOE Award Administrator for guidance.

AWARD AGREEMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS (DECEMBER 2014) (NETL – APRIL 2024)

This assistance agreement consists of the Assistance Agreement Cover Page and Award Terms and Conditions, plus the following:

- a. Special terms and conditions.
- b. Attachments:

<u>Attachment No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
1	Intellectual Property Provisions
2	Statement of Project Objectives
3	Federal Assistance Reporting Checklist

- c. Applicable program regulations: NONE
- d. DOE Assistance Regulations, 2 CFR part 200 as amended by 2 CFR part 910 at <http://www.eCFR.gov>.
- e. Research Terms and Conditions and the DOE Agency Specific Requirements at <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/rtc/index.jsp> (if the Award is for research and the Award is to a university or non-profit).
- f. Application/proposal as approved by DOE.
- g. National Policy Assurances to Be Incorporated as Award Terms in effect on date of award at <https://www.nsf.gov/awards/managing/rtc.jsp>.
- h. Public Law 117-58, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

FLOW DOWN REQUIREMENT

The Recipient agrees to apply the terms and conditions of this Award, as applicable, including the Intellectual Property Provisions, to all subrecipients (and subcontractors, as appropriate), as required by 2 CFR 200.101, and to require their strict compliance therewith. Further, the Recipient must apply the Award terms as required by 2 CFR 200.327 to all subrecipients (and subcontractors, as appropriate), and to require their strict compliance therewith.

CONFERENCE SPENDING (FEBRUARY 2015)

The recipient shall not expend any funds on a conference not directly and programmatically related to the purpose for which the grant or cooperative agreement was awarded that would defray the cost to the United States Government of a conference held by any Executive branch department, agency, board, commission, or office for which the cost to the United States Government would otherwise exceed \$20,000, thereby circumventing the required notification by the head of any such Executive Branch department, agency, board, commission, or office to the Inspector General (or senior ethics official for any entity without an Inspector General), of the date, location, and number of employees attending such conference.

PAYMENT PROCEDURES - REIMBURSEMENT THROUGH THE AUTOMATED STANDARD APPLICATION FOR PAYMENTS (ASAP) SYSTEM

- a. Method of Payment. Payment will be made by reimbursement through the Department of Treasury's ASAP system.
- b. Requesting Reimbursement. Requests for reimbursements must be made through the ASAP system. Your requests for reimbursement should coincide with your normal billing pattern, but not more frequently than every two weeks. Each request must be limited to the amount of disbursements made for the federal share of direct project costs and the proportionate share of allowable indirect costs incurred during that billing period.
- c. Adjusting payment requests for available cash. You must disburse any funds that are available from repayments to and interest earned on a revolving fund, program income, rebates, refunds, contract settlements, audit recoveries, credits, discounts, and interest earned on any of those funds before requesting additional cash payments from DOE/NNSA.
- d. Payments. All payments are made by electronic funds transfer to the bank account identified on the ASAP Bank Information Form that you filed with the U.S. Department of Treasury.

COST MATCH

- a. "Cost Matching" for the non-federal share is calculated as a percentage of the Federal funds only, rather than the Total Project Cost. The Total Project Cost is the sum of the Government share and Recipient match. The Recipient's cost match must come from non-Federal sources unless otherwise allowed by law.

Each Recipient is required to match 15 percent of their allocation. In addition, eligible entities performing resilience projects are required to provide a 100 percent cost match, unless the eligible entity sells not more than 4,000,000 megawatt hours of electricity per year, then the eligible entity is required to provide a one-third cost match.

By accepting federal funds under this award, the Recipient is liable for the cost match percentage of total expenditures incurred, even if the project is terminated early or is not funded to its completion.

b. If the Recipient discovers that you may be unable to provide the required cost matching under this award, the Recipient should immediately provide written notification to the DOE Award Administrator indicating whether the Recipient will continue or phase out the project. If you plan to continue the project, the notification must describe how replacement cost matching will be secured.

c. The Recipient must maintain records of all project costs that you claim as cost match, including in-kind costs, as well as records of costs to be paid by DOE/NNSA. Such records are subject to audit.

d. Failure to provide the cost matching required by this term may result in the subsequent recovery by DOE of some or all the funds provided under the award.

REBUDGETING AND RECOVERY OF INDIRECT COSTS - REIMBURSABLE INDIRECT COSTS AND FRINGE BENEFITS

a. If actual allowable indirect costs are less than those budgeted and funded under the award, you may use the difference to pay additional allowable direct costs during the project period. If at the completion of the award the Government's share of total allowable costs (i.e., direct and indirect), is less than the total costs reimbursed, you must refund the difference.

b. Recipients are expected to manage their indirect costs. DOE will not amend an award solely to provide additional funds for changes in indirect cost rates. DOE recognizes that the inability to obtain full reimbursement for indirect costs means the recipient must absorb the underrecovery. Such underrecovery may be allocated as part of the organization's required cost sharing.

USE OF PROGRAM INCOME - ADDITION

If you earn program income during the project period as a result of this award, you may add the program income to the funds committed to the award and use it to further eligible project objectives.

POST-AWARD DUE DILIGENCE REVIEWS (MARCH 2023)

During the life of the Award, DOE may conduct ongoing due diligence reviews, through Government resources, to identify potential risks of undue foreign influence. In the event a risk is identified, DOE may require risk mitigation measures, including but not limited to, requiring an individual or entity not participate in the Award.

ANNUAL ALLOCATION REQUEST

The Recipient shall submit their annual allocation request in accordance with the instructions provided in the Reporting Requirements Checklist attached to this award. The Annual Allocation Request must be submitted to the DOE Program Manager whose name is in Block 15 of the Award Agreement and the DOE Award Administrator whose name is identified on Page 2 of the Assistance Agreement cover page.

The Annual Allocation Request must include the following information:

- SF 424 reflecting the current year allocation and cost match amounts.
- Cost Match Information for current year allocation.
 - Cost Match Value
 - Identify the source/organization of the proposed cost match.
 - Type of Cost Match (cash or in-kind)

- Provide a description of their proposed cost match.
- Program Narrative – copy of current Program Narrative if there are no changes or an updated Program Narrative to reflect any changes. If changes have occurred, a Public Notice and Hearing must be documented in the updated Program Narrative.

RESILIENCE PROJECT AND SUBAWARD/SUBCONTRACT NOTIFICATION

For all resilience project subawards and any other subaward over \$250,000, the Recipient must notify the DOE Contracting Officer and Project Officer in writing prior to the execution of new or modified subawards/subcontracts. This notification does not constitute a waiver of the prior approval requirements outlined in 2 CFR 200, nor does it relieve the Recipient from its obligation to comply with applicable Federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders.

The Recipient is responsible for making a final determination to award or modify subawards/subcontracts under this agreement, but the Recipient may not proceed with the subaward/subcontract until the DOE determines, and provides the Recipient written notification, that the information provided is adequate.

In order to satisfy this notification requirement, Recipient documentation must, at a minimum, include the following:

- (a) Recipient confirms that the subawardee:
 - (i) is an eligible entity type identified in BIL section 40101(a)(2);
 - (ii) is a domestic entity; to qualify as a domestic entity, the entity must be organized, chartered or incorporated (or otherwise formed) under the laws of a particular state or territory of the United States; have majority domestic ownership and control; and have a physical place of business in the United States;
 - (iii) is not a debarred or a suspended entity; and
 - (iv) will pay all of the laborers and mechanics performing construction, alteration, or repair work in excess of \$2,000 on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through funding under the award, wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by subchapter IV of Chapter 1 of Title 40, United State Code commonly referred to as the “Davis-Bacon Act” (DBA).
- (b) Recipient confirms that:
 - (i) the process undertaken to solicit the subaward/subcontract complies with their written procurement procedures as outlined in 2 CFR 200.318;
 - (ii) the proposed work to be done is an eligible activity identified in BIL Section 40101(e)(1);
 - (iii) the proposed subaward effort is consistent with the Program Narrative being executed under the award;
 - (iv) the primary purpose of the proposed project is not cyber security but that the implementation of the proposed project will adhere to any applicable cybersecurity requirements, and where possible, best practices in deploying technologies under their subaward;
 - (v) no planned, actual or apparent conflict of interest exists between the Recipient and the selected subawardee/subcontractor and that the Recipient’s written standards of conduct were followed;

- (vi) as applicable, subaward/subcontracts address the Small Utilities Set Aside requirement set forth in BIL Section 40101(d)(6); and
- (vii) all required award provisions will be flowed down in the resulting subaward/subcontract.

(c) Recipient provides:

- (i) SF-424A Budget Information form and Budget Justification form for all resilience project subawards; and any other subaward over \$250,000;
- (ii) a completed Environmental Questionnaire covering the subaward activity;
- (iii) cost match commitment letter from the eligible entity committing to meet the cost matching as required in BIL Section 40101(h);
- (iv) the proposed metrics that will be collected and reported in the Quarterly Progress Report to measure and demonstrate the beneficial impact of the resilience project on the resilience of the grid and to the community served;
- (v) listing of Foreign Nationals for subrecipients/eligible entities and technical assistance contractors in accordance with the Foreign National Participation – Approval term;
- (vi) Performance of Work in the United States waiver (if applicable);
- (vii) Buy America for Infrastructure Projects waiver (if applicable);
- (viii) Domestic entity waiver for subrecipients (if applicable); and
- (ix) a summary/brief description of any application, similar in nature, submitted by the proposed subawardee to the DOE under BIL Section 40101(c), DE-FOA-0002740, Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP).

If a State or Indian Tribe petitions the Secretary to be designated as an eligible entity for the purpose of executing a resilience project, it must provide both the 15% cost match for the entire allocation made by DOE to the State or Tribe (see BIL section 40101(d)(8)) and the project specific cost match requirement of 100% or 1/3 (see BIL section 40101(h)).

REPORTING

Reporting requirements are identified on the Federal Assistance Reporting Checklist and Instructions, DOE F 4600.2, attached to the award agreement. Additional reporting requirements apply to projects funded by BIL. As part of tracking progress toward key Departmental goals – ensuring justice and equity, creating jobs, boosting domestic manufacturing, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and advancing a pathway to private sector – DOE may require specific data collection. Examples of data that may be collected include:

- project locations,
- measurable improvements of resilience,
- transmission capacity upgraded, expanded, or built,
- electricity storage capacity installed,
- funding leveraged,
- stakeholders engaged,
- technical assistance provided, and

- value of contracts or agreements with minority owned business for supplies, services, or equipment.

Recipients must maintain sufficient records to substantiate this information upon request.

FOREIGN NATIONAL PARTICIPATION – APPROVAL REQUIRED (APRIL 2024)

If the Recipient (including any of its subrecipients and contractors) anticipates involving foreign nationals in the performance of this award, the Recipient must provide DOE with specific information about each foreign national to ensure compliance with the requirements for foreign national participation and access approvals. The volume and type of information required may depend on various factors associated with the award.

Approval for foreign nationals in Principal Investigator/Co-Principal Investigator roles, from countries of risk (i.e., China, Iran, North Korea, and Russia), and from countries identified on the U.S. Department of State’s list of State Sponsors of Terrorism (<https://www.state.gov/state-sponsors-of-terrorism/>) must be obtained from DOE before they can participate in the performance of any work under this award.

A “foreign national” is defined as a person without United States citizenship or nationality (may include a stateless person). DOE may elect to deny a foreign national’s participation in the award. Likewise, DOE may elect to deny a foreign national’s access to a DOE sites, information, technologies, equipment, programs, or personnel. DOE’s determination to deny participation or access is not appealable.

The Recipient must include this term in any subaward and in any applicable contractual agreement(s) associated with this award.

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL STEWARDSHIP

DOE/NNSA will exercise normal Federal stewardship in overseeing the project activities performed under this award. Stewardship activities include, but are not limited to, conducting site visits; reviewing performance and financial reports; providing technical assistance and/or temporary intervention in unusual circumstances to correct deficiencies which develop during the project; assuring compliance with terms and conditions; and reviewing technical performance after project completion to ensure that the award objectives have been accomplished.

SITE VISITS

DOE/NNSA's authorized representatives have the right to make site visits at reasonable times to review project accomplishments and management control systems and to provide technical assistance, if required. You must provide, and must require your subrecipients to provide, reasonable access to facilities, office space, resources, and assistance for the safety and convenience of the government representatives in the performance of their duties. All site visits and evaluations must be performed in a manner that does not unduly interfere with or delay the work.

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX) – Initial Application

DOE must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) prior to authorizing the use of federal funds. Based on the initial information provided by the Recipient, DOE has made a NEPA

determination by issuing a CX, thereby **authorizing use of funds for technical assistance and administrative project activities only.**

NEPA review and approval of proposed resilience project activities are required as per the Resilience Project and Subaward/Subcontract Notification Term. If any of the proposed projects are likely to require an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), the DOE NEPA Compliance Officer will provide further guidance. Should the recipient elect to undertake activities prior to authorization from the DOE, the Recipient is doing so at risk and such costs may not be authorized and recognized as allowable cost.

FEDERAL, STATE, AND MUNICIPAL REQUIREMENTS

You must obtain any required permits and comply with applicable federal, state, and municipal laws, codes, and regulations for work performed under this award.

ELIGIBLE ENTITY PRIORITIZATION – 40101(d)(5)

In making subawards to eligible entities using funds made available under the program, the Recipient shall give priority to projects that, in the determination of the Recipient, will generate the greatest community benefit (whether rural or urban) in reducing the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events.

SMALL UTILITIES SET ASIDE – 40101(d)(6)

The Recipient shall ensure that, of the amounts made available to eligible entities, the percentage made available to eligible entities that sell not more than 4,000,000 megawatt hours of electricity per year is not less than the percentage of all customers in the Recipient State or Indian Tribe (as applicable) that are served by those eligible entities.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES – 40101(d)(7)

Of the amounts made available to the Recipient under the program each fiscal year, the Recipient may use not more than 5 percent for technical assistance (*see* BIL Section 40101(g)(1)(A)) and administrative expenses associated with the program.

NOTICE REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF AMERICAN-MADE EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS -- SENSE OF CONGRESS

It is the sense of the Congress that, to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products purchased with funds made available under this award should be American-made.

INSURANCE COVERAGE (DECEMBER 2014)

See 2 CFR 200.310 for insurance requirements for real property and equipment acquired or improved with Federal funds.

REAL PROPERTY – GRID RESILIENCE

Acquisition of land or easements is not permitted under this grant program. Improvements to real property for the purpose of grid hardening or resilience is not considered acquisition of real property for the purpose of this grant program, and therefore may be permitted.

EQUIPMENT (DECEMBER 2014) (NETL - MAY 2024)

Subject to the conditions provided in 2 CFR 200.313 and 2 CFR 910.360 (as applicable), title to equipment (property) acquired under a Federal award will vest conditionally with the non-Federal entity.

The non-Federal entity cannot encumber this property or permit encumbrance without prior written approval by the DOE Contracting Officer and must follow the requirements of 2 CFR 200.313 before disposing of the property.

States must use equipment acquired under a Federal award by the state in accordance with state laws and procedures.

Equipment must be used by the non-Federal entity in the program or project for which it was acquired as long as it is needed, whether or not the project or program continues to be supported by the Federal award. When no longer needed for the originally authorized purpose, the equipment may be used by programs supported by the Federal awarding agency in the priority order specified in 2 CFR 200.313(c)(1)(i) and (ii).

Management requirements, including inventory and control systems, for equipment are provided in 2 CFR 200.313(d).

When equipment acquired under a Federal award is no longer needed, the non-Federal entity must obtain disposition instructions from the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity. However, pursuant to the FY23 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Pub. L. No. 117-328), Division D, Title III, Section 309, the Secretary, or a designee of the Secretary may, at their discretion, vest unconditional title or other property interests acquired under this project regardless of the fair market value of the property at the end of the award period.

Subject to the vesting of any property pursuant to Section 309 of the FY23 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Pub. L. No. 117-328), Division D, Title III, disposition will be made as follows: (a) items of equipment with a current fair market value of \$5,000 or less may be retained, sold, or otherwise disposed of with no further obligation to the Federal awarding agency; (b) non-Federal entity may retain title or sell the equipment after compensating the Federal awarding agency as described in 2 CFR 200.313(e)(2); or (c) transfer title to the Federal awarding agency or to an eligible third Party as specified in 2 CFR 200.313(e)(3).

See 2 CFR 200.313 for additional requirements pertaining to equipment acquired under a Federal award. Also see 2 CFR 200.439 Equipment and other capital expenditures.

See 2 CFR 910.360 for supplemental requirements for Equipment for for-profit Recipients.

SUPPLIES (DECEMBER 2014)

See 2 CFR Part 200.314 for requirements pertaining to supplies acquired under a Federal award.

See also § 200.453 Materials and supplies costs, including costs of computing devices.

CONTINUED USE OF REAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT (OCTOBER 2022)

Real property and equipment purchased with project funds (federal share and recipient cost share) under this Award are subject to the requirements at 2 CFR 200.311, 200.313, and 200.316 (non-Federal entities, except for-profit entities) and 2 CFR 910.360 (for-profit entities). The Recipient may continue to use the real property and equipment after the conclusion of the award period of performance so long as the Recipient:

- a. Continues to use the property for the authorized project purposes;
- b. Complies with the applicable reporting requirements and regulatory property standards;
- c. As applicable to for-profit entities, UCC filing statements are maintained; and
- d. Submits a written Request for Continued Use for DOE authorization, which is approved by the DOE Contracting Officer.

The Recipient must request authorization from the Contracting Officer to continue to use the property for the authorized project purposes beyond the award period of performance (“Request for Continued Use”). The Recipient’s written Request for Continued Use must identify the property and include: a summary of how the property will be used (must align with the authorized project purposes); a proposed use period (e.g., perpetuity, until fully depreciated, or a calendar date where the Recipient expects to submit disposition instructions); acknowledgement that the recipient shall not sell or encumber the property or permit any encumbrance without prior written DOE approval; current fair market value of the property; and an Estimated Useful Life or depreciation schedule for equipment.

When the property is no longer needed for authorized project purposes, the Recipient must request disposition instructions from DOE. For-profit entity disposition requirements are set forth at 2 CFR 910.360. Property disposition requirements for other non-federal entities are set forth in 2 CFR 200.310-200.316.

PROPERTY TRUST RELATIONSHIP (DECEMBER 2014)

Real property, equipment, and intangible property, that are acquired or improved with a Federal award must be held in trust by the non-Federal entity as trustee for the beneficiaries of the project or program under which the property was acquired or improved.

See 2 CFR Part 200.316 for additional requirements pertaining to real property, equipment, and intangible property acquired or improved under a Federal award.

INSOLVENCY, BANKRUPTCY OR RECEIVERSHIP

The Recipient must include the insolvency, bankruptcy or receivership term in any for-profit/non-profit sub-award(s), at any tier.

- a. You shall immediately notify the DOE of the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) you or your parent's filing of a voluntary case seeking liquidation or reorganization under the Bankruptcy Act; (ii) your consent to the institution of an involuntary case under the Bankruptcy Act against you or your

parent; (iii) the filing of any similar proceeding for or against you or your parent, or its consent to, the dissolution, winding-up or readjustment of your debts, appointment of a receiver, conservator, trustee, or other officer with similar powers over you, under any other applicable state or federal law; or (iv) your insolvency due to your inability to pay your debts generally as they become due.

b. Such notification shall be in writing and shall: (i) specifically set out the details of the occurrence of an event referenced in paragraph a; (ii) provide the facts surrounding that event; and (iii) provide the impact such event will have on the project being funded by this award.

c. Upon the occurrence of any of the four events described in the first paragraph, DOE reserves the right to conduct a review of your award to determine your compliance with the required elements of the award (including such items as cost share, progress towards technical project objectives, and submission of required reports). If the DOE review determines that there are significant deficiencies or concerns with your performance under the award, DOE reserves the right to impose additional requirements, as needed, including (i) change your payment method; or (ii) institute payment controls.

d. Failure of the Recipient to comply with this term may be considered a material noncompliance of this financial assistance award by the Contracting Officer.

PERFORMANCE OF WORK IN UNITED STATES

The Recipient agrees that at least **100%** of the direct labor cost for the project (including subrecipient labor) shall be incurred in the United States, unless the Recipient can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the DOE that the United States economic interest will be better served through a greater percentage of the work being performed outside the United States.

REPORTING SUBAWARD AND EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION (SEPTEMBER 2023)

a. Reporting of first-tier subawards.

1. **Applicability.** Unless the Recipient is exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, the Recipient must report each action that equals or exceeds \$30,000 in Federal funds for a subaward to a non-Federal entity or Federal agency (see definitions in paragraph e. of this award term).
2. **Where and when to report.**
 - i. The non-Federal entity or Federal agency must report each obligating action described in paragraph a.1. of this award term to <http://www.fsrs.gov>.
 - ii. For subaward information, report no later than the end of the month following the month in which the obligation was made. (For example, if the obligation was made on November 7, 2010, the obligation must be reported by no later than December 31, 2010.)
3. **What to report.** The Recipient must report the information about each obligating action that the submission instructions posted at <http://www.fsrs.gov> specify.

b. Reporting total compensation of recipient executives for non-Federal entities.

1. **Applicability and what to report.** The Recipient must report total compensation for each of its five most highly compensated executives for the preceding completed fiscal year, if

- i. The total Federal funding authorized to date under this Federal award is \$30,000 or more as defined in 2 CFR 170.320;
 - ii. In the preceding fiscal year, the Recipient received:
 - a) 80 percent or more of the Recipient's annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - b) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - iii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at <https://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm>.)
2. Where and when to report. The Recipient must report executive total compensation described in paragraph b.1. of this award term:
 - i. As part of the Recipients registration profile at <https://www.sam.gov>.
 - ii. By the end of the month following the month in which this award is made, and annually thereafter.
- c. Reporting of total compensation of subrecipient executives.
 1. Applicability and what to report. Unless the Recipient is exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, for each first-tier non-Federal entity subrecipient under this award, the Recipient shall report the names and total compensation of each of the subrecipient's five most highly compensated executives for the subrecipient's preceding completed fiscal year, if:
 - i. In the subrecipient's preceding fiscal year, the subrecipient received;
 - a) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - b) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and
 - ii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at <https://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm>.)

2. Where and when to report. The Recipient must report subrecipient executive total compensation described in paragraph c.1. of this award term:

- i. To the recipient
- ii. By the end of the month following the month during which the Recipient makes the subaward. For example, if a subaward is obligated on any date during the month of October of a given year (i.e., between October 1 and 31), the Recipient must report any required compensation information of the subrecipient by November 30 of that year.

d. Exemptions

If, in the previous tax year, the Recipient had gross income, from all sources, under \$300,000, it is exempt from the requirements to report:

- i. Subawards, and
- ii. The total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of any subrecipient.

e. Definitions. For purposes of this award term:

1. *Federal Agency* means a Federal agency as defined at 5 U.S.C. 551(1) and further clarified by 5 U.S.C. 552(f).

2. *Non-Federal entity* means all of the following, as defined in 2 CFR part 25:

- i. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian tribe;
- ii. A foreign public entity;
- iii. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization; and
- iv. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization;

3. *Executive* means officers, managing partners, or any other employees in management positions.

4. *Subaward*:

- i. This term means a legal instrument to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which the Recipient received this award and that the recipient awards to an eligible subrecipient.
- ii. The term does not include the Recipient's procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see 2 CFR 200.331).
- iii. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that the Recipient or a subrecipient considers a contract.

5. *Subrecipient* means a non-Federal entity or Federal agency that:

- i. Receives a subaward from the Recipient under this award; and
- ii. Is accountable to the Recipient for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.

6. *Total compensation* means the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the recipient's or subrecipient's preceding fiscal year and includes the following (for more information see 17 CFR 229.402(c)(2)).

SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT AND UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIER REQUIREMENTS

A. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM) Unless exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, the prime recipient must remain registered and maintain current information in SAM for the entire period of performance of the award. This includes providing information on the prime recipient's immediate and highest-level owner and subsidiaries, as well as on all of its predecessors that have been awarded a Federal contract or Federal financial assistance agreements within the last three years, if applicable, until the prime recipient submits the final financial report required under this award or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires the prime recipient to review its information in SAM at least annually after the initial registration, and to update its information as soon as there are changes. Reviews and updates may be required more frequently due to changes in recipient information or as required by another award term.

B. Requirement for Unique Entity Identifier

If authorized to make subawards under this award, the prime recipient:

1. Must notify potential subrecipients that no entity (see definition in paragraph C of this award term) may receive a subaward until the entity has provided its unique entity identifier to the prime recipient.
2. Must not make a subaward to an entity unless the entity has provided its unique entity identifier to the prime recipient. Subrecipients are not required to obtain an active SAM registration but must obtain a unique entity identifier.

C. Definitions

For purposes of this term:

1. System for Award Management (SAM) means the Federal repository into which a recipient must provide information required for the conduct of business as a recipient. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM internet site (currently at <https://www.sam.gov>).
2. Unique Entity Identifier means the identifier assigned by SAM to uniquely identify business entities.
3. Entity includes non-Federal entities as defined at 2 CFR 200.1 and also includes all of the following for purposes of this part:
 - a. A foreign organization;
 - b. A foreign public entity;
 - c. A domestic for-profit organization; and
 - d. A Federal agency.

4. Subaward has the meaning given in 2 CFR 200.1.

5. Subrecipient has the meaning given in 2 CFR 200.1.

FINAL INCURRED COST AUDIT (DECEMBER 2014)

In accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 as amended by 2 CFR Part 910, DOE reserves the right to initiate a final incurred cost audit on this award. If the audit has not been performed or completed prior to the closeout of the award, DOE retains the right to recover an appropriate amount after fully considering the recommendations on disallowed costs resulting from the final audit.

INDEMNITY

The Recipient must include the following indemnity provision in any sub-awards to eligible entities performing the resilience projects at any tier:

The Recipient shall indemnify the Government and its officers, agents, or employees for any and all liability, including litigation expenses and attorneys' fees, arising from suits, actions, or claims of any character for death, bodily injury, or loss of or damage to property or to the environment, resulting from the project, except to the extent that such liability results from the direct fault or negligence of Government officers, agents or employees, or to the extent such liability may be covered by applicable allowable costs provisions.

LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS (MARCH 2012)

By accepting funds under this award, you agree that none of the funds obligated on the award shall be expended, directly or indirectly, to influence congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before Congress, other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913. This restriction is in addition to those prescribed elsewhere in statute and regulation.

CORPORATE FELONY CONVICTION AND FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY ASSURANCES (MARCH 2014)

By entering into this agreement, the undersigned attests that Washington State Department of Commerce has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal law in the 24 months preceding the date of signature.

The undersigned further attests that Washington State Department of Commerce does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

For purposes of these assurances, the following definitions apply:

A Corporation includes any entity that has filed articles of incorporation in any of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, or the various territories of the United States [but not foreign corporations]. It includes both for-profit and non-profit organizations.

NONDISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS ASSURANCES (JUNE 2015)

(1) By entering into this agreement, the undersigned attests that Washington State Department of Commerce does not and will not require its employees or contractors to sign internal nondisclosure or confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting its employees or contractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

(2) The undersigned further attests that does not and will not use any Federal funds to implement or enforce any nondisclosure and/or confidentiality policy, form, or agreement it uses unless it contains the following provisions:

a. “These provisions are consistent with and do not supersede, conflict with, or otherwise alter the employee obligations, rights, or liabilities created by existing statute or Executive order relating to (1) classified information, (2) communications to Congress, (3) the reporting to an Inspector General of a violation of any law, rule, or regulation, or mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or (4) any other whistleblower protection. The definitions, requirements, obligations, rights, sanctions, and liabilities created by controlling Executive orders and statutory provisions are incorporated into this agreement and are controlling.”

b. The limitation above shall not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312, Form 4414, or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

c. Notwithstanding provision listed in paragraph (a), a nondisclosure or confidentiality policy form or agreement that is to be executed by a person connected with the conduct of an intelligence or intelligence-related activity, other than an employee or officer of the United States Government, may contain provisions appropriate to the particular activity for which such document is to be used. Such form or agreement shall, at a minimum, require that the person will not disclose any classified information received in the course of such activity unless specifically authorized to do so by the United States Government. Such nondisclosure or confidentiality forms shall also make it clear that they do not bar disclosures to Congress, or to an authorized official of an executive agency or the Department of Justice, that are essential to reporting a substantial violation of law.

REPORTING OF MATTERS RELATED TO RECIPIENT INTEGRITY AND PERFORMANCE (DECEMBER 2015)

a. General Reporting Requirement

If the total value of your currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all Federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this Federal award, then you as the recipient during that period of time must maintain the currency of information reported to the System for Award Management (SAM) that is made available in the designated integrity and performance system (currently the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS)) about civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings described in paragraph 2 of this award term and condition. This is a statutory requirement under section 872 of Public Law 110-417, as amended (41 U.S.C. 2313). As required by section 3010 of Public Law 111-212, all information posted in the designated integrity and performance system on or after April 15, 2011, except past performance reviews required for Federal procurement contracts, will be publicly available.

b. Proceedings About Which You Must Report

Submit the information required about each proceeding that:

1. Is in connection with the award or performance of a grant, cooperative agreement, or procurement contract from the Federal Government;

2. Reached its final disposition during the most recent five-year period; and

3. Is one of the following:

(A) A criminal proceeding that resulted in a conviction, as defined in paragraph 5 of this award term and condition;

(B) A civil proceeding that resulted in a finding of fault and liability and payment of a monetary fine, penalty, reimbursement, restitution, or damages of \$5,000 or more;

(C) An administrative proceeding, as defined in paragraph 5. of this award term and condition, that resulted in a finding of fault and liability and your payment of either a monetary fine or penalty of \$5,000 or more or reimbursement, restitution, or damages in excess of \$100,000; or

(D) Any other criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding if:

(i) It could have led to an outcome described in paragraph 2.c.(1), (2), or (3) of this award term and condition;

(ii) It had a different disposition arrived at by consent or compromise with an acknowledgment of fault on your part; and

(iii) The requirement in this award term and condition to disclose information about the proceeding does not conflict with applicable laws and regulations.

c. Reporting Procedures

Enter in the SAM Entity Management area the information that SAM requires about each proceeding described in paragraph 2 of this award term and condition. You do not need to submit the information a second time under assistance awards that you received if you already provided the information through SAM because you were required to do so under Federal procurement contracts that you were awarded.

d. Reporting Frequency

During any period of time when you are subject to the requirement in paragraph 1 of this award term and condition, you must report proceedings information through SAM for the most recent five-year period, either to report new information about any proceeding(s) that you have not reported previously or affirm that there is no new information to report. Recipients that have Federal contract, grant, and cooperative agreement awards with a cumulative total value greater than \$10,000,000 must disclose semiannually any information about the criminal, civil, and administrative proceedings.

e. Definitions

For purposes of this award term and condition:

1. Administrative proceeding means a non-judicial process that is adjudicatory in nature in order to make a determination of fault or liability (e.g., Securities and Exchange Commission Administrative proceedings, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals proceedings, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals proceedings). This includes proceedings at the Federal and State level but only in connection with performance of a Federal contract or grant. It does not include audits, site visits, corrective plans, or A. Reporting of Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance.

2. Conviction, for purposes of this award term and condition, means a judgment or conviction of a criminal offense by any court of competent jurisdiction, whether entered upon a verdict or a plea, and includes a conviction entered upon a plea of nolo contendere.

3. Total value of currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts includes—

(A) Only the Federal share of the funding under any Federal award with a recipient cost share or match; and

(B) The value of all expected funding increments under a Federal award and options, even if not yet

EXPORT CONTROL (APRIL 2024)

The United States government regulates the transfer of information, commodities, technology, and software considered to be strategically important to the U.S. to protect national security, foreign policy, and economic interests without imposing undue regulatory burdens on legitimate international trade. There is a network of Federal agencies and regulations that govern exports that are collectively referred to as “Export Controls.” The Recipient is responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable United States Export Control laws and regulations relating to any work performed under the award.

The Recipient must immediately report to DOE any export control changes, indictments, convictions, and violations related to the project funded under this Award and any export control investigations potentially implicating any technologies or equipment under the subject Award, at the recipient or subrecipient level, and if the charge/indictment/investigation results in a conviction or violation, provide the corrective action(s) to prevent future violations.

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (APRIL 2024)

As set forth in 2 CFR 200.216, recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending project funds (Federal and non-Federal funds) to:

(1) Procure or obtain;

(2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain;

(3) Exercise an option to procure; or

(4) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment

produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

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

(ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

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

See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.

PROHIBITION RELATED TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED TALENT RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS (MARCH 2023)

A. Prohibition

Persons participating in a *Foreign Government-Sponsored Talent Recruitment Program of a Foreign Country of Risk* are prohibited from participating in this Award. The Recipient must exercise ongoing due diligence to reasonably ensure that no individuals participating on the DOE-funded project are participating in a *Foreign Government-Sponsored Talent Recruitment Program of a Foreign Country of Risk*. Consequences for violations of this prohibition will be determined according to applicable law, regulations, and policy. Further, the Recipient must notify DOE within five (5) business days upon learning that an owner of the Recipient or subrecipient or individual on the project team is or is believed to be participating in a *Foreign Government-Sponsored Talent Recruitment Program of a Foreign Country of Risk*. DOE may modify and add requirements related to this prohibition to the extent required by law.

B. Definitions

1. **Foreign Government-Sponsored Talent Recruitment Program.** An effort directly or indirectly organized, managed, or funded by a foreign government, or a foreign government instrumentality or entity, to recruit science and technology professionals or students (regardless of citizenship or national origin, or whether having a full-time or part-time position). Some foreign government-sponsored talent recruitment programs operate with the intent to import or otherwise acquire from abroad, sometimes through illicit means, proprietary technology or software, unpublished data and methods, and intellectual property to further the military modernization goals and/or economic goals of a foreign government. Many, but not all, programs aim to incentivize the targeted individual to relocate physically to the foreign state for the above purpose. Some

programs allow for or encourage continued employment at United States research facilities or receipt of federal research funds while concurrently working at and/or receiving compensation from a foreign institution, and some direct participants not to disclose their participation to U.S. entities. Compensation could take many forms including cash, research funding, complimentary foreign travel, honorific titles, career advancement opportunities, promised future compensation, or other types of remuneration or consideration, including in-kind compensation.

2. **Foreign Country of Risk.** DOE has designated the following countries as foreign countries of risk: Iran, North Korea, Russia, and China. This list is subject to change.

IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13798, PROMOTING FREE SPEECH AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY (NOVEMBER 2020)

States, local governments, or other public entities may not condition sub-awards in a manner that would discriminate, or disadvantage sub-recipients based on their religious character.

INTERIM CONFLICT OF INTEREST REQUIREMENTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (MARCH 2023)

The DOE interim Conflict of Interest Policy for Financial Assistance (COI Policy) can be found at <https://www.energy.gov/management/department-energy-interim-conflict-interest-policy-requirements-financial-assistance>. This policy is applicable to all non-Federal entities applying for, or that receive, DOE funding by means of a financial assistance award (e.g., a grant, cooperative agreement, or technology investment agreement) and, through the implementation of this policy by the entity, to each Investigator who is planning to participate in, or is participating in, the project funded wholly or in part under this Award. The term “Investigator” means the PI and any other person, regardless of title or position, who is responsible for the purpose, design, conduct, or reporting of a project funded by DOE or proposed for funding by DOE. The Recipient must flow down the requirements of the interim COI Policy to any subrecipient non-Federal entities, with the exception of DOE National Laboratories. Further, the Recipient must identify all financial conflicts of interests (FCOI), i.e., managed and unmanaged/unmanageable, in its initial and ongoing FCOI reports.

Prior to award, the Recipient was required to: 1) ensure all Investigators on this Award completed their significant financial disclosures; 2) review the disclosures; 3) determine whether a FCOI exists; 4) develop and implement a management plan for FCOIs; and 5) provide DOE with an initial FCOI report that includes all FCOIs (i.e., managed and unmanaged/unmanageable). Within 180 days of the date of the Award, the Recipient must be in full compliance with the other requirements set forth in DOE’s interim COI Policy.

ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST (APRIL 2024)

Organizational conflicts of interest are those where, because of relationships with a parent company, affiliate, or subsidiary organization, the Recipient is unable or appears to be unable to be impartial in conducting procurement action involving a related organization (2 CFR 200.318(c)(2)).

The Recipient must disclose in writing any potential or actual organizational conflict of interest to the DOE Contracting Officer. The Recipient must provide the disclosure prior to engaging in a procurement

or transaction using project funds with a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization that is not a state, local government, or Indian Tribe. For a list of the information that must be included the disclosure, see Section VI. of the DOE interim Conflict of Interest Policy for Financial Assistance at <https://www.energy.gov/management/department-energy-interim-conflict-interest-policy-requirements-financial-assistance>.

If the effects of the potential or actual organizational conflict of interest cannot be avoided, neutralized, or mitigated, the Recipient must procure goods and services from other sources when using project funds.

The Recipient must flow down the requirements of the interim COI Policy to any subrecipient non-Federal entities, with the exception of DOE National Laboratories. The Recipient is responsible for ensuring subrecipient compliance with this term.

If the Recipient has a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization that is not a state, local government, or Indian Tribe, the Recipient must maintain written standards of conduct covering organizational conflicts of interest.

FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE (MARCH 2023)

The mission of the DOE Office of Inspector General (OIG) is to strengthen the integrity, economy and efficiency of DOE's programs and operations including deterring and detecting fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement. The OIG accomplishes this mission primarily through investigations, audits, and inspections of Department of Energy activities to include grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and contracts. The OIG maintains a Hotline for reporting allegations of fraud, waste, abuse, or mismanagement. To report such allegations, please visit <https://www.energy.gov/ig/ig-hotline>.

Additionally, the Recipient must be cognizant of the requirements of 2 CFR § 200.113 Mandatory disclosures, which states:

The non-Federal entity or applicant for a Federal award must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Non-Federal entities that have received a Federal award including the term and condition outlined in appendix XII of 2 CFR Part 200 are required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to SAM (currently FAPIIS). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in § 200.339. (See also 2 CFR part 180, 31 U.S.C. 3321, and 41 U.S.C. 2313.)

TRANSPARENCY OF FOREIGN CONNECTIONS (APRIL 2024)

The Recipient must notify the DOE Contracting Officer within fifteen (15) business days of learning of the following circumstances in relation to the Recipient and subrecipients:

1. Any current or pending subsidiary, foreign business entity, or offshore entity that is based in or funded by any foreign country of risk or foreign entity based in a country of risk;

2. Any current or pending contractual or financial obligation or other agreement specific to a business arrangement, or joint venture-like arrangement with an entity owned by a country of risk or foreign entity based in a country of risk;
3. Any current or pending change in ownership structure of the Recipient or subrecipients that increases foreign ownership related to a country of risk. Each notification shall be accompanied by a complete and up-to-date capitalization table showing all equity interests held including limited liability company (LLC) and partnership interests, as well as derivative securities. Include both the number of shares issued to each equity holder, as well as the percentage of that series and of all equity on fully diluted basis. For each equity holder, provide the place of incorporation and the principal place of business, as applicable. If the equity holder is a natural person, identify the citizenship(s);
4. Any current or pending venture capital or institutional investment by an entity that has a general partner or individual holding a leadership role in such entity who has a foreign affiliation with any foreign country of risk;
5. Any current or pending technology licensing or intellectual property sales to a foreign country of risk; and
6. Any changes to the Recipient or the subrecipients' board of directors, including additions to the number of directors, the identity of new directors, as well as each new director's citizenship, shareholder affiliation (if applicable); each notification shall include a complete up-to-date list of all directors (and board observers), including their full name, citizenship and shareholder affiliation, date of appointment, duration of term, as well as a description of observer rights as applicable.
7. Any proposed changes to the equipment used on the project that would result in:
 - a. Equipment originally made or manufactured in a foreign country of risk (including relabeled or rebranded equipment).
 - b. Coded equipment where the source code is written in a foreign country of risk.
 - c. Equipment from a foreign country of risk that will be connected to the internet or other remote communication system.
 - d. Any companies from a foreign country of risk that will have physical or remote access to any part of the equipment used on the project after delivery.

Should DOE determine the connection poses a risk to economic or national security, DOE will require measures to mitigate or eliminate the risk.

DOE has designated the following countries as foreign countries of risk: Iran, North Korea, Russia, and China. This list is subject to change.

Recognizing the disclosures may contain business confidential information, subrecipients may submit their disclosures directly to DOE.

FOREIGN COLLABORATION CONSIDERATIONS (MARCH 2023)

- A. Consideration of new collaborations with foreign organizations and governments. The Recipient must provide DOE with advanced written notification of any potential collaboration with foreign entities, organizations or governments in connection with its DOE-funded award scope. The Recipient must await further guidance from DOE prior to contacting the proposed foreign entity, organization or government regarding the potential collaboration or negotiating the terms of any potential agreement.

- B. Existing collaborations with foreign entities, organizations and governments. The Recipient must provide DOE with a written list of all existing foreign collaborations in which has entered in connection with its DOE-funded award scope.
- C. Description of collaborations that should be reported: In general, a collaboration will involve some provision of a thing of value to, or from, the Recipient. A thing of value includes but may not be limited to all resources made available to, or from, the recipient in support of and/or related to the Award, regardless of whether or not they have monetary value. Things of value also may include in-kind contributions (such as office/laboratory space, data, equipment, supplies, employees, students). In-kind contributions not intended for direct use on the Award but resulting in provision of a thing of value from or to the Award must also be reported. Collaborations do not include routine workshops, conferences, use of the Recipient’s services and facilities by foreign investigators resulting from its standard published process for evaluating requests for access, or the routine use of foreign facilities by awardee staff in accordance with the Recipient’s standard policies and procedures.

BUY AMERICAN REQUIREMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (MAY 2024)

A. Definitions

Components See 2 CFR 184.3 “Definitions.”

Construction Materials See 2 CFR 184.3 “Definitions.”

Buy America Preference, Buy America Requirement, or domestic content procurement preference” means a requirement that no amount of funds made available through a program for federal financial assistance may be obligated for an infrastructure project unless—

- (A) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States;
- (B) the manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States; or
- (C) the construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.

Infrastructure See 2 CFR 184.4 (c) and (d).

Manufactured Products See 2 CFR 184.3 “Definitions.”

Predominantly of iron or steel See 2 CFR 184.3 “Definitions.”

Infrastructure Project- See 2 CFR 184.3 “Definitions.”

Public- The Buy America Requirement does not apply to non-public infrastructure. For purposes of this guidance, infrastructure should be considered “public” if it is: (1) publicly owned or (2) privately owned but utilized primarily for a public purpose. Infrastructure should be considered to be “utilized primarily for a public purpose” if it is privately operated on behalf of the public or is a place of public accommodation.

B. Buy America Requirement for Infrastructure Projects (Buy America Requirement)

None of the funds provided under this award (federal share or recipient cost-share) may be used for a project for infrastructure unless:

1. All iron and steel used in the project is produced in the United States—this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States;
2. All manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States—this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation. See 2 CFR 184.5 for determining the cost of components for manufactured products; and
3. All construction materials are manufactured in the United States—this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States. See 2 CFR 184.6 for construction material standards.

The Buy America Requirement only applies to those articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or permanently affixed to the infrastructure in the project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought into the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America Requirement apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project.

The Buy America Requirement only applies to an article, material, or supply classified into one of the following categories* based on its status at the time it is brought to the work site for incorporation into an infrastructure project:

- (i) Iron or steel products;
- (ii) Manufactured products; or
- (iii) Construction materials;

The Buy America Requirement only applies to the iron or steel products, manufactured products, and construction materials used for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of public infrastructure in the United States when those items are consumed in, incorporated into, or permanently affixed to the infrastructure. An article, material, or supply incorporated into an infrastructure project should not be considered to fall into multiple categories, but rather must meet the Buy America Preference Requirement for only the single category in which it is classified.

All iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the infrastructure project must be produced in the United States.

* Section 70917(c) of the BABA states that “construction materials” do not include cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or

additives. Section 70917(c) materials are excluded from Construction materials. Asphalt concrete pavement mixes are typically composed of asphalt cement (a binding agent) and aggregates such as stone, sand, and gravel. Accordingly, asphalt is also excluded from the definition of Construction materials.

Section 70917(c) materials, on their own, are not manufactured products. Further, Section 70917(c) materials should not be considered manufactured products when they are used at or combined proximate to the work site—such as is the case with wet concrete or hot mix asphalt brought to the work site for incorporation. However, when certain Section 70917(c) materials (such as stone, sand, and gravel) are used to produce a manufactured product, such as is precast concrete processed into a specific shape or form, and is in such state when brought to the work site, then that product is subject to the BABA requirements.

Further clarification is provided in 2 CFR 184 on the circumstances under which a determination is made that Section 70917(c) materials should be treated as components of a manufactured product. That determination is based on consideration of: (i) the revised definition of the “manufactured products” at 2 CFR 184.3; (ii) a new definition of “section 70917(c) materials” at 2 CFR 184.3; (iii) new instructions at 2 CFR 184.4(e) on how and when to categorize articles, materials, and supplies; and (iv) new instructions at 2 CFR 184.4(f) on how to apply the Buy America preference by category.

Recipients are responsible for administering their award in accordance with the terms and conditions, including the Buy America Requirement. The recipient must ensure that the Buy America Requirement flows down to all subawards and that the subawardees and subrecipients comply with the Buy America Requirement. The Buy America Requirement term and condition must be included all sub-awards, contracts, subcontracts, and purchase orders for work performed under the infrastructure project.

C. Certification of Compliance

Recipients must certify or provide equivalent documentation for proof of compliance that a good faith effort was made to solicit bids for domestic products used in the infrastructure project under this award. Recipients must also maintain certifications or equivalent documentation for proof of compliance that those articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, affixed to, or otherwise used in the infrastructure project, not covered by a waiver or exemption provided in 2 CFR 184.8, are produced in the United States. The certification or proof of compliance must be provided by the suppliers or manufacturers of the iron, steel, manufactured products and construction materials and flow up from all subawardees, contractors and vendors to the recipient. Recipients must keep these certifications with the award/project files and be able to produce them upon request from DOE, auditors or Office of Inspector General.

D. Waivers

When necessary, recipients may apply for, and DOE may grant, a waiver from the Buy America Requirement. Waiver requests are subject to review by DOE and the Office of Management and Budget, as well as a public comment period of no less than 15 calendar days.

1. Waivers must be based on one of the following justifications:
 - a) Public Interest- Applying the Buy America Requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest;
 - b) Non-Availability- The types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or

c) Unreasonable Cost- The inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

2. Requests to waive the Buy America Requirement must include the following:

- Waiver type (Public Interest, Non-Availability, or Unreasonable Cost);
- Recipient name and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI);
- Award information (Federal Award Identification Number, Assistance Listing number);
- A brief description of the project, its location, and the specific infrastructure involved;
- Total estimated project cost, with estimated federal share and recipient cost share breakdowns;
- Total estimated infrastructure costs, with estimated federal share and recipient cost share breakdowns;
- List and description of iron or steel item(s), manufactured goods, and/or construction material(s) the recipient seeks to waive from the Buy America Preference, including name, cost, quantity(ies), country(ies) of origin, and relevant Product Service Codes (PSC) and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes for each;
- A detailed justification as to how the non-domestic item(s) is/are essential to the project;
- A certification that the recipient made a good faith effort to solicit bids for domestic products supported by terms included in requests for proposals, contracts, and non-proprietary communications with potential suppliers;
- A justification statement—based on one of the applicable justifications outlined above—as to why the listed items cannot be procured domestically, including the due diligence performed (e.g., market research, industry outreach, cost analysis, cost-benefit analysis) by the recipient to attempt to avoid the need for a waiver. This justification may cite, if applicable, the absence of any Buy America-compliant bids received for domestic products in response to a solicitation;
- A description of the market research conducted that includes who conducted the market research, when it was conducted, sources that were used, and the methods used to conduct the research; and
- Anticipated impact to the project if no waiver is issued.

3. How to submit a waiver

Requests to waive the application of the Buy America Requirement must be submitted in writing to your cognizant Contracting Officer or Grants Officer.

DOE may request, and the recipient must provide, additional information for consideration of this waiver. DOE may reject or grant waivers in whole or in part depending on its review, analysis, and/or feedback from OMB or the public. DOE's final determination regarding approval or rejection of the waiver request may not be appealed. Waiver requests may take up to 90 calendar days to process.

REPORTING, TRACKING AND SEGREGATION OF INCURRED COSTS (MARCH 2023)

BIL funds can be used in conjunction with other funding, as necessary to complete projects, but tracking and reporting must be separate to meet the reporting requirements of the BIL and related Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Guidance. The Recipient must keep separate records for BIL funds and must ensure those records comply with the requirements of the BIL. Funding provided through the BIL that is supplemental to an existing grant or cooperative agreement is one-time funding.

DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENTS (NETL – JUNE 2024)

This Award is funded under Division D of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). All laborers and mechanics employed by the recipient, subrecipients, contractors or subcontractors in the performance of construction, alteration, or repair work in excess of \$2,000 on a project assisted in whole or in part by funds made available under this Award shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar projects in the locality, as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with Subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of Title 40, United States Code commonly referred to as the “Davis-Bacon Act” (DBA) and its implementing regulations in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 (collectively the “Davis-Bacon Act Requirements”).

Award recipients shall provide written acknowledgement and confirmation of compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act Requirements which include but are not limited to:

1. Ensuring that laborers and mechanics on BIL funded/assisted projects are paid at least the prevailing wage for their work classification on applicable projects.
2. Ensuring that laborers and mechanics on BIL funded/assisted projects are paid on a weekly basis.
3. Ensuring that the applicable wage determination(s) for construction work performed by laborers and mechanics employed by the recipient, subrecipients, contractors, or subcontractors are identified and obtained from the database at www.sam.gov, by 1) selecting “Wage Determinations,” then, 2) selecting “Public Buildings and Public Works,” then, 3) filtering search results by State (selecting the appropriate state from the drop-down menus), and by County or Independent City (selecting the appropriate County/Independent City from the drop-down menu) in which the work will take place, then, 4) selecting the appropriate construction type (e.g., Building, Residential, Heavy, or Highway). The appropriate wage determination number hyperlink should be selected from the result. If the wage determination which opens lists a “Last Revised Date” after the date of the contract award/start of construction, then scroll to the bottom of the document, and under History, click on the wage determination with the date closest to, but still before the date of contract award/start of construction.
4. Ensuring that applicable wage determination(s) are uploaded to LCPtracker (see below section on LCPtracker).
5. Ensuring that the applicable wage determination(s) and the required contract provisions per 29 CFR 5.5 are flowed down to and incorporated into any applicable contracts/subcontracts or subrecipient awards.
6. Preserving a copy of the applicable wage determination(s) identified and obtained from www.sam.gov, for a period of 3 years after the construction, alteration or repair work herein is completed.
7. Maintaining responsibility for compliance by any lower-tier subcontractors or subrecipients subject to the Davis-Bacon Act Requirements.

8. Receiving and reviewing certified weekly payrolls submitted by all subcontractors and subrecipients for accuracy as needed and identifying potential compliance issues.
9. Maintaining original certified weekly payrolls for 3 years after the completion of the project and making those payrolls available to the Department of Energy or the Department of Labor upon request.
10. Conducting site-visit interviews with employees as needed to provide reasonable assurance of compliance with subcontractors and subrecipients.
11. Cooperating with authorized representatives of the Department of Energy or Department of Labor in the inspection of DBA-related records, on-site interviews of laborers and mechanics, and other reasonable requests related to a DBA investigation.
12. Posting in a prominent and accessible place the applicable wage determination(s) and Department of Labor Publication: WH-1321, Notice to Employees Working on Federal or Federally Assisted Construction Projects.
13. Notifying the Contracting Officer of Davis-Bacon Act Requirement issues, including complaints, violations (as defined in 29 CFR 5.7), disputes (pursuant to 29 CFR parts 4, 6, and 8 and as defined in FAR 52.222-14), disputed DBA-related determinations, Department of Labor investigations, or legal/judicial proceedings related to the Davis-Bacon Act Requirements under this contract, subcontract, or subrecipient award.
14. Preparing and submitting the Semi-Annual Labor Enforcement Report, by April 21 and October 21 of each year, in accordance with the reporting instructions in Attachment 2, Federal Assistance Reporting Checklist.
15. Maintain competency in complying with Davis-Bacon Act Requirements. The Contracting Officer will notify the recipient of any DOE-sponsored Davis-Bacon Act compliance trainings. The Department of Labor offers free Prevailing Wage Seminars several times a year that meet this requirement, at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/construction/seminars/events>.

To avoid voluminous attachments under this award, all applicable wage determination(s) included in the www.sam.gov database and uploaded to LCPtracker are incorporated by reference herein as if set forth and attached in full. The applicable wage determination(s) are effective herein even if they have not been attached to the contract/subcontract(s) or subrecipient awards thereunder or have not been correctly identified and obtained from www.sam.gov and/or uploaded to LCPtracker.

The Department of Energy has contracted with LCPtracker, a third-party DBA electronic payroll compliance software application. A waiver for the use of LCPtracker may be granted to a particular contractor or subcontractor if they are unable or limited in their ability to use or access the software.

Davis-Bacon Act Electronic Certified Payroll Submission Waiver

A waiver must be granted before the start of work subject to Davis-Bacon Act requirements (e.g., construction, alteration, or repair work). The recipient does not have the right to appeal DOE's decision concerning a waiver request.

For additional guidance on how to comply with the Davis-Bacon provisions and clauses, see <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/construction> and <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/protections-for-workers-in-construction>.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND PAY TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS (SEPTEMBER 2023)

All federally assisted construction contracts exceeding \$10,000 annually will be subject to the requirements of Executive Order 11246:

- (1) Recipients, subrecipients, and contractors are prohibited from discriminating in employment decisions on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin.
- (2) Recipients and Contractors are required to take affirmative action to ensure that equal opportunity is provided in all aspects of their employment. This includes flowing down the appropriate language to all subrecipients, contractors and subcontractors.
- (3) Recipients, subrecipients, contractors and subcontractors are prohibited from taking adverse employment actions against applicants and employees for asking about, discussing, or sharing information about their pay or, under certain circumstances, the pay of their co-workers.

The Department of Labor's (DOL) Office of Federal Contractor Compliance Programs (OFCCP) uses a neutral process to schedule contractors for compliance evaluations. OFCCP's Technical Assistance Guide should be consulted to gain an understanding of the requirements and possible actions the recipients, subrecipients, contractors and subcontractors must take. See OFCCP's Technical Assistance Guide at: <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/ofccp/Construction/files/ConstructionTAG.pdf?msclkid=9e397d68c4b111ec9d8e6fecb6c710ec>.

Additionally, for construction projects valued at \$35 million or more and lasting more than one year, Recipients, subrecipients, contractors, or subcontractors may be selected by OFCCP to participate in the Mega Construction Project Program. DOE, under relevant legal authorities including Sections 205 and 303(a) of Executive Order 11246, will require participation as a condition of the award. This program offers extensive compliance assistance with EO 11246.

For more information regarding this program, see <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ofccp/construction/mega-program>.

POTENTIALLY DUPLICATIVE FUNDING NOTICE (MARCH 2023)

If the Recipient or subrecipients have or receive any other award of federal funds for activities that potentially overlap with the activities funded under this Award, the Recipient must promptly notify DOE in writing of the potential overlap and state whether project funds (i.e., recipient cost share and federal funds) from any of those other federal awards have been, are being, or are to be used (in whole or in part) for one or more of the identical cost items under this Award. If there are identical cost items, the Recipient must promptly notify the DOE Contracting Officer in writing of the potential duplication and eliminate any inappropriate duplication of funding.

CONSTRUCTION SIGNAGE (MAY 2024)

The recipient is encouraged to display DOE Investing in America signage during and after construction. Guidance can be found at: (<https://www.energy.gov/design>). Proposed signage costs that meet these specifications are an allowable cost and may be included in the proposed project budget.

POST AWARD DUE DILIGENCE REVIEWS (APRIL 2024)

During the period of performance of the Award, DOE may conduct ongoing due diligence reviews, through Government resources, to identify potential risks of undue foreign influence. In the event a risk is identified, DOE may require risk mitigation measures, including but not limited to, requiring an individual or entity not participate in the Award. As part of the research, technology, and economic security risk review, DOE may contact the Recipient project team members for additional information to inform the review.

IMPACTED INDIAN TRIBES (MAY 2024)

If any activities anticipated to take place under this agreement could potentially impact the resources or reserved rights of Indian Tribe(s), as defined in 25 U.S.C. § 5304 (e), then the recipient/awardee agrees to develop and maintain active and open communications with the potentially impacted Indian Tribe(s), during the period of performance of the agreement, and, if necessary, after the end of the agreement. Approval by DOE must be obtained before any activities take place that could impact Tribal resources or reserved rights, including but not limited to lands, cultural sites, sacred sites, water rights, mineral rights, fishing rights, and hunting rights. The recipient/awardee must coordinate with DOE on all Tribal interactions. DOE will determine if formal government-to-government consultation is needed, and DOE will conduct that consultation accordingly.

- Tribal lands is as defined in 25 U.S.C. §§ 3501(2), (3), (4)(A) and (13).
- Indian Tribe is as defined in 25 U.S.C. § 5304 (e).



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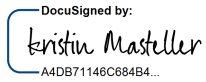
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