



## **PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made and entered into \_\_\_\_\_, by and between the **CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA**, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Montana, P.O. Box 1178, Billings, Montana 59103, hereinafter referred to as "**CITY**," and, **BLAIR UNLIMITED**, hereinafter referred to as "**SELLER**."

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the receipt and sufficiency whereof being hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **PRODUCT PURCHASED:** **SELLER** agrees to sell and **CITY** agrees to purchase the goods ("Product") as described below and, if applicable, per written **CITY'S** specifications and **SELLER'S** proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A," which are incorporated into this **AGREEMENT** by this reference. The Product being purchased consists of **ESTABLISHED ON STREET ADVERTISING BENCHES, SPARE BENCHES WITH PARTS, AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.**

2. **PRICE:** The **CITY** agrees to pay **TWO-HUNDERED AND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$240,000)** as the purchase price. All prices are inclusive of any applicable local, state or federal taxes that may be applied to the product to be purchased. The purchase price is free on board at the place of delivery and **SELLER** may not impose any additional, shipping, delivery or storage charges.

The prices established in this **AGREEMENT** may be extended to other political subdivisions within the State of Montana solely at the **SELLER'S** discretion.

3. **DELIVERY AND PAYMENT:** **SELLER** agrees to deliver the above-described goods or product to **CITY** within 30 days of receipt of **CITY'S** order unless otherwise provided in this **AGREEMENT**. Delivery will occur at 1705 Monad Rd, Billings, MT for spare benches, parts and equipment; on street benches will remain at their established locations. Upon delivery, **CITY** may inspect the goods or product to ensure that it meets **CITY** specifications, and **SELLER** may obtain specifications from **CITY** upon request. If the Product meets **CITY** specifications, **CITY** shall tender the purchase price stated above to **SELLER** through the **CITY'S** normal claim process.

4. **SPECIFICATIONS:** **SELLER** agrees that this Product complies with the **CITY'S** specifications provided to **SELLER** and with the **SELLER'S** proposal thereto as accepted by the **CITY**. Unless otherwise agreed to by the **CITY**, the **CITY'S** specifications govern and control in the event of inconsistencies with the **SELLER'S** response to the same.

5. **NONDISCRIMINATION:**

- A. **SELLER** shall, in performance of work under this **AGREEMENT**, fully comply with all applicable federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, and executive orders including but not limited to, the Montana Human Rights Act, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. **SELLER** is the employer for the purpose of providing healthcare benefits and paying any applicable penalties, fees and taxes under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [P.L. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119]. Any subletting or subcontracting by **SELLER** subjects subcontractors to the same provisions. In accordance with 49-3-207, MCA, and Executive Order No. 04-2016. **SELLER** agrees that the hiring of persons to perform this Contract will be made on the basis of merit and qualifications and there will be no discrimination based on race, color, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth, political or religious affiliation or ideas, culture, creed, social origin or condition, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, military service or veteran status, or marital status by the persons performing this **AGREEMENT**.
- B. The **SELLER** shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees to work on jobs, that all qualified applicants will receive equal consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex or marital status, or mental or physical impairment/disability.

The **SELLER** and subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR 60-300.5(a) and 41 CFR 60-741.5(a), which prohibit discrimination against qualified protected veterans and/or qualified individuals on the basis of disability, and requires affirmative action by covered prime contractors and subcontractors to employ and advance in employment qualified protected veterans and individuals with disabilities.

The **SELLER** and any subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR 60-1.4, which states employees or applicants may not be discharged or in any other manner discriminated against because they have inquired about, discussed, or disclosed their own pay or the pay of another employee or applicant. However, employees who have access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of their essential job functions cannot disclose the pay of other employees or applicants to individuals who do not

otherwise have access to compensation information, unless the disclosure is (a) in response to a formal complaint or charge, (b) in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or (c) consistent with the **SELLER'S** legal duty to furnish information.

- C. The **SELLER** shall comply with any and all reporting requirements that may apply to it that the **CITY** may establish by regulation.
- D. The **SELLER** shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and city laws concerning the prohibition of discrimination.
- E. The **SELLER** shall include the provisions of Subsections A through D of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order under this **AGREEMENT**, so as to be binding upon every such subcontractor or vendor of the **SELLER** under this **AGREEMENT**.
- F. The **SELLER** agrees to post, in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.

**6. DEFAULT AND TERMINATION:** If **SELLER** fails to deliver the goods or product as set forth in Paragraphs 2 and 3 above, or violates any provision of this **AGREEMENT**, or if the goods or product fails to meet **CITY'S** specifications, **CITY** may, at its option, declare the **SELLER** in default and immediately cancel and rescind this **AGREEMENT**. Thereafter, **CITY** may procure substitute goods or product to replace the goods or product described herein. In such event, **SELLER** is liable to **CITY** for the difference between the price set forth herein and the price paid by **CITY** for replacement goods or product. Additionally, the **CITY** may pursue any other remedy it has at law or in equity.

**7. WARRANTY:** Unless superseded or supplemented by an express warranty, **SELLER** represents and warrants that the Product(s) are covered by implied warranties for merchantability and fitness for the particular purpose for which they have been purchased.

**8. ASSIGNMENT:** **SELLER** may not assign this **AGREEMENT** or any of its rights hereunder without the express written consent of **CITY**.

**9. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This **AGREEMENT**, including its appendices, if any, is the entire understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter contained herein. No agent or representative of either party has authority to make any representations, statements, warranties or agreements not herein expressed and all modifications or amendments of this **AGREEMENT**, including the appendices, must be in writing and signed by an authorized representative of each of the parties hereto.

**10. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE:** This **AGREEMENT** shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Montana. Venue for any suit between the parties arising out of this **AGREEMENT** shall be the State of Montana Thirteenth Judicial District Court, Yellowstone County. Terms of this agreement of are



subject to the required federal clauses outlined in Exhibit B.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this instrument the day and year first above written.

**CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA**

**BLAIR UNLIMITED**  
**(PRINT BUSINESS NAME ABOVE)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**WILLIAM COLE, MAYOR**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**SIGNATURE**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PRINT NAME**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PRINT TITLE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Write Phone Number for Orders Above)**

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DENISE BOHLMAN, CITY CLERK**



**EXHIBIT A**

In accordance with the offer made by the **SELLER**, **SELLER** agrees to provide the following items:

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>QUANTITY</u></b>
EXISTING ON STREET BENCHES WITH ADVERTISING	260
ANTI-THEFT REMOVAL TOOL FOR ADVERTISING	2
SPARE BENCH LEGS	115
SPARE BENCH SEAT BOARDS	100
STEEL BENCH LEG CONCRETE FORMS	10
CEMENT MIXER ON AXEL	1
CONCRETE SHAKER	1
DRILL PRESS SETUP FOR BENCH MAINTENANCE	1
SEAT BOARD RACKS	2
SIGN RACKS	1

**SELLER** also agrees to provide information regarding "best practices" regarding creation and maintenance of bench inventory as well as remain available within one year of the sales date for reference and assistance indicated in **SELLER'S** offer letter.

**SELLER** agrees to provide all financial and business records as requested by the **CITY** regarding existing contracts and past contracts in accordance with the previously executed concession agreements.



## **EXHIBIT B**

### FTA Required Contract Clauses and Other Certifications

#### A. Contract Clauses Required for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funded Contracts

##### **1. No Federal Government Obligation to Third Parties**

The City of Billings, Aviation/Transit Department - MET Transit Division and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Governments in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the City, contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.

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

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

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

The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.



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

### **3. Access to Records**

**Record Retention.** The Contractor will retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, sub-Contracts, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third party Contracts of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.

**Retention Period.** The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. §200.333. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case the Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11).

**Access to Records.** The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information related to performance of this contract as reasonably may be required. The Contractor also agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

**Access to the Sites of Performance.** The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this contract as reasonably may be required.

FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

### **4. Federal Changes**

49 CFR Part 18 - The Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between the City and the FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.



## **5. Civil Rights Laws and Regulations**

1) **Federal Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Requirements.** These include, but are not limited to:

- a) Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs. 49 U.S.C. § 5332, covering projects, programs, and activities financed under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), disability, or age, and prohibits discrimination in employment or business opportunity.
- b) Prohibition against Employment Discrimination. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," September 24, 1965, as amended, prohibit discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

2) **Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex.** Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq. and implementing Federal regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 25 prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.

3) **Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age.** The "Age Discrimination Act of 1975," as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., and Department of Health and Human Services implementing regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, prohibit discrimination by participants in federally assisted programs against individuals on the basis of age. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), 29 U.S.C. § 621 et seq., and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) implementing regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, also prohibit employment discrimination against individuals age 40 and over on the basis of age.

4) **Federal Protections for Individuals with Disabilities.** The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (ADA), 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in programs, activities, and services, and imposes specific requirements on public and private entities. Third party contractors must comply with their responsibilities under Titles I, II, III, IV, and V of the ADA in employment, public services, public accommodations, telecommunications, and other provisions, many of which are subject to regulations issued by other Federal agencies.

### **Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity**

The Agency is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, the Agency agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from



inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the Agency agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

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

1) **Nondiscrimination.** In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

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

3) **Age.** In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any Implementing requirements FTA may issue.



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

5) **Promoting Free Speech and Religious Liberty.** The Contractor shall ensure that Federal funding is expended in full accordance with the U.S. Constitution, Federal Law, and statutory and public policy requirements: including, but not limited to, those protecting free speech, religious liberty, public welfare, the environment, and prohibiting discrimination.

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

## **6. Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles**

### **Seat Belt Use**

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

### **Distracted Driving**

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

## **7. Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms**

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220 are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any City requests which would cause the City to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.



## **8. Energy Conservation**

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

## **9. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises**

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

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

Prime contractors are required to pay subcontractors for satisfactory performance of their contracts no later than 30 days from receipt of each payment the City makes to the prime contractor. 49 C.F.R. § 26.29(a).

Finally, for contracts with defined DBE contract goals, each FTA Recipient must include in each prime contract a provision stating that the contractor shall utilize the specific DBEs listed unless the contractor obtains the City's written consent; and that, unless the City's consent is provided, the contractor shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE. 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(f) (1).

It is the policy of the City and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE's"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts.

## **11. Procurement of Recovered Materials**

The Contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 42 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procures of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site,



<https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.

#### **14. Notification to FTA**

If a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, the Contractor must promptly notify the City, which will then notify the FTA Chief Counsel and FTA Regional Counsel for the Region in which the City is located. The Contractor is required to include an equivalent provision in its subagreements at every tier, for any agreement that is a “covered transaction” according to 2 C.F.R. § 180.220 and 1200.220.

- (1) The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason.
- (2) Matters that may affect the Federal Government include, but are not limited to, the Federal Government’s interests in the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal Government’s administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.
- (3) The City must promptly notify the U.S. DOT Inspector General in addition to the FTA Chief Counsel or Regional Counsel for the Region in which the City is located, if the City has knowledge of potential fraud, waste, or abuse occurring on a Project receiving assistance from FTA. The notification provision applies if a person has or may have submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729 et seq., or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the Project is subject to this Agreement or another agreement between the City and FTA, or an agreement involving a principal, officer, employee, agent, or Third Party Participant of the City. It also applies to subcontractors at any tier. Knowledge, as used in this paragraph, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of the City.

#### **15. Debarment and Suspension**

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.



The accompanying certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the subrecipient. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the City and subrecipient, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

## **16. Violation and Breach of Contract**

### Rights and Remedies of the City

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

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

For purposes of this Contract, breach shall include:

### Rights and Remedies of Contractor

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

### Remedies

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



### Disputes

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

In the event that a resolution of the dispute is not mutually agreed upon, the parties can agree to mediate the dispute or proceed with litigation. Notwithstanding any provision of this section, or any other provision of this Contract, it is expressly agreed and understood that any court proceeding arising out of a dispute under the Contract shall be heard by a Court de novo and the court shall not be limited in such proceeding to the issue of whether the Authority acted in an arbitrary, capricious or grossly erroneous manner.

Pending final settlement of any dispute, the parties shall proceed diligently with the performance of the Contract, and in accordance with the City's direction or decisions made thereof.

### Performance during Dispute

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

### Claims for Damages

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

### Remedies

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

### Rights and Remedies

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or



failure to act by the City or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

#### **17. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment**

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the City.

#### **18. Clean Air Act & Federal Water Pollution Control Act**

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to FTA and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. The following applies for contracts of amounts in excess of \$150,000:

##### Clean Air Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the City and understands and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the City, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

##### Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the City and understands and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the City, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract



exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

### **19. Buy America**

The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49 C.F.R. Part 661 and 2 CFR 200.322 Domestic preferences for procurements, which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless steel, iron, and manufactured products used in FTA-funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general waiver. General waivers are listed in 49 C.F.R. 661.7. Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C), 49 U.S.C. 5323(u) and 49 C.F.R. 661.11.

A bidder or offeror must submit to the City the appropriate Buy America certification with all bids or offers on FTA-funded contracts, except those subject to a general waiver. Bids or offers that are not accompanied by a completed Buy America certification must be rejected as nonresponsive. This requirement does not apply to lower tier subcontractors.

### **26. Veterans Hiring Preference**

Veterans Employment - Recipients of Federal financial assistance shall ensure that contractors working on a capital project funded using such assistance give a hiring preference, to the extent practicable, to veterans (as defined in section 2108 of title 5) who have the requisite skills and abilities to perform the construction work required under the contract. This subsection shall not be understood, construed or enforced in any manner that would require an employer to give a preference to any veteran over any equally qualified applicant who is a member of any racial or ethnic minority, female, an individual with a disability, or a former employee.



## **49 CFR PART 20--CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

### Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

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

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*)]

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]



The Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_ Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_ Date



## **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION**

The prospective lower tier participant (Bidder/Proposer) certifies by submission of this Offer, that neither it nor its principals, as defined at 2 CFR § 180.995, or affiliates, as defined at 2 CFR 180.905, are excluded (defined at 2 CFR § 180.940) or disqualified as defined at 2 CFR §180.935.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

- 1) It will comply and facilitate compliance with the requirements of 2 CFR § 180, subpart C and 2 CFR § 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.
- 2) To the best of its knowledge and belief, that its Principals and Subrecipients at the first tier:
  - a. Are eligible to participate in covered transactions of any Federal department or agency and are not presently: debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, voluntarily excluded, or disqualified.
  - b. Its management has not within a three-year period preceding its latest application or proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against any of them for:
    - i. Commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction, or contract under a public transaction,
    - ii. Violation of any Federal or State antitrust statute, or
    - iii. Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making any false statement, or receiving stolen property,
  - c. It is 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 listed in the preceding subsection 2.b of this Certification,
  - d. It has not had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default within a three-year period preceding this Certification,
  - e. If, at a later time, it receives any information that contradicts the statements of subsections 2.a – 2.d above, it will promptly provide that information to FTA,



- f. It will treat each lower tier contract or lower tier subcontract under its Project as a covered lower tier contract for purposes of 2 CFR part 180 if it:
    - i. Equals or exceeds \$25,000
    - ii. Is for audit services, or
    - iii. Requires the consent of a Federal official, and
  - g. It will require that each covered lower tier contractor and subcontractor:
    - i. Comply and facilitate compliance with the Federal requirements of 2 CFR part 180 and 3000, and
    - ii. Assure that each lower tier participant in its Project is not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:
      - (a) Debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible to participate, voluntarily excluded from participation or disqualified from participation in its federally funded project, and
- 3) It will provide a written explanation as indicate don a page attached in FTA’s TEAM-Web or the Signature Page if it or any of its principals, including any of its first tier Subrecipients or its Third Party Participants at a lower tier, is unable to certify compliance with the preceding statements in this Certification Group.

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the City of Billings, Aviation/Transit Department - MET Transit. If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the City of Billings, Aviation/Transit Department - MET Transit, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Bidder or Proposer’s  
Authorized Official**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Name and Title of Bidder or Proposer’s  
Authorized Official**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**



**BUY AMERICA CERTIFICATION**

(STEEL OR MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS)

[61 FR 6302, Feb. 16, 1996, as amended at 74 FR 30239, June 25, 2009]

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General Requirement (as stated in 49 CFR 661.5)

- (a) Except as provided in 49 CFR 661.7 and 49 CFR 661.11, no funds may be obligated by FTA for a grantee project unless all iron, steel, and manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States.
- (b) All steel and iron manufacturing processes must take place in the United States, except metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives.
- (c) The steel and iron requirements apply to all construction materials made primarily of steel or iron and used in infrastructure projects such as, transit or maintenance facilities, rail lines, and bridges. These items include, but are not limited to, structural steel or iron, steel or iron beams and columns, running rail and contact rail. These requirements do not apply to steel or iron used as components or subcomponents of other manufactured products or rolling stock, or to bimetallic power rail incorporating steel or iron components.
- (d) For a manufactured product to be considered produced in the United States:
  - 1) All of the manufacturing processes for the product must take place in the United States; and
  - 2) All of the components of the product must be of U.S. origin. A component is considered of U.S. origin if it is manufactured in the United States, regardless of the origin of its subcomponents.

If steel, iron, or manufactured products (as defined in 49 CFR 661.3 and 661.5) are being procured, the appropriate certificate as set forth below shall be completed and submitted by each bidder or offeror in accordance with the requirement contained in 49 CFR 661.13(b).

Certificate of **Compliance** with Buy America Requirements.

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

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Certificate of **Non-Compliance** with Buy America Steel or Manufactured Products Requirements.

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

Company\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_

Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_