

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Victoria F. Sheehan Commissioner

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301 Bureau of Rail & Transit April 28, 2017

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Transportation to enter into an agreement with VNA at HCS, Inc. (Vendor 177274), Keene, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$551,136 for public transportation services in the City of Keene for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019, effective upon approval by Governor and Council. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding for this agreement is available in the State fiscal year 2018 and 2019 budget, contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds, with the authority to adjust encumbrances in each of the state fiscal years through the Budget Office if needed and justified.

FY 2019
\$275,568
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EXPLANATION

The Department has approved a request for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding from VNA at HCS, Inc. to assist in the provision of public transit service. VNA at HCS, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization that provides rural public transportation, including transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities, in the City of Keene.

The bus schedules for VNA at HCS, Inc. are attached to this Agreement.

The Department's proposed SFY 2018 and 2019 operating budget includes funds from the FTA Section 5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (Section 5311) that provides funds for capital, planning, and operating assistance for public transportation in rural areas with populations of less than 50,000. VNA at HCS, Inc. has provided public transportation utilizing these funds since 1993. The Department has allocated federal funding for the SFY 2018-2019 biennium based on prior funding levels, applications received, and available FTA funds. For the SFY 2018-2019 biennium, the FTA Section 5311 allocation for VNA at HCS, Inc. is \$551,136. VNA at HCS, Inc. will provide the required matching funds to include 20% for administration and/or capital and 50% for operations.

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The Department released a public notice on January 10, 2017 announcing the availability of FTA Section 5311 funds. Applications for requested funding were due on February 21, 2017. The Department received applications for seven (7) rural public transit systems and one application was subsequently withdrawn. Funding was awarded to six (6) public transportation systems as follows:

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Advance Transit (AT)	Advance Transit
Concord Area Transit (CAT)	Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties
Southwestern Community Services Transportation (SCST)	Southwestern Community Services
North Country Transit (NCT)	Tri-County Community Action Program
Carroll County Transit (CCT)	Tri-County Community Action Program
City Express	VNA @ Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services

An evaluation committee that consisted of Fred Butler (NHDOT Rail & Transit, Public Transportation Administrator), Michael Pouliot (NHDOT Rail & Transit, Transportation Specialist), and Karen Jennison (NHDOT Rail & Transit, Transit Grants Coordinator) reviewed, evaluated, and scored Section 5311 applications based on criteria as indicated in the application materials and the Department's State Management Plan for FTA programs. The evaluation matrix and scores are provided below for reference:

	Evaluation Circorn	**************************************
Ť	The proposed service effectively addresses a demonstrated community need, and/or the proposed service is a continuation or expansion of existing services.	15%
.2	The applicant has the fiscal and technical capacity and adequate budget to operate its service.	15%
3	The applicant has successful experience in providing transportation services.	15%
4	The application shows coordination with other transportation providers in the service area: public, nonprofit, and for-profit.	10%
5	The applicant demonstrates involvement in and support for the project, financial and otherwise, on the part of citizens and local government.	10%
6	The applicant demonstrates effort to involve the private sector in the delivery of transportation services.	10%
	The applicant successfully demonstrates service efficiency and effectiveness, measured in ridership, service miles and hours, costs, and fare recovery. New applicants must demonstrate the ability to measure performance and achieve goals.	15%
. 8	The applicant complies with relevant federal and state regulations, and has a history of compliance with regulations and reporting requirements.	10%

100%

Transit System 47 1. 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	Average Score
Advance Transit	90.20%
Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties Concord Area Transit	85.50%
VNA at HCS City Express	83.30%
Tri-County CAP North Country Transit	80.70%
Southwestern Community Services Southwestern Community Services Transportation	80.30%
Tri-County CAP Carroll County Transit	75.00%

Note: Every application met the Department's criteria for inclusion in its SFY 2018-2019 public transit funding plan and will be awarded separate amounts for the aforementioned transit systems.

In the event that federal funds become unavailable, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

The Agreement has been approved by the Attorney General as to form and execution and the Department will verify the necessary funds are available pending enactment of the Fiscal Year 2018 and 2019 budget. Copies of the fully executed agreement are on file at the Secretary of State's Office and the Department of Administrative Services' Office, and subsequent to Governor and Council approval will be on file at the Department of Transportation.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Victoria F. Sheehan

Commissioner

Attachments

Subject:

VNA AT HCS, INC. SFY 2018-2019

FORM NUMBER P-37 (version 1/09)

AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Contractor hereby mutually agree as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. IDENTIFICATION.	
1.1 State Agency Name	1.2 State Agency Address
NH Department of Transportation	PO Box 483, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord NH 03302-0483
1.3 Contractor Name	1.4 Contractor Address
VNA AT HCS, INC.	312 Marlboro Street, Keene NH 03431
1.5 Contractor Phone 1.6 Account Number	1.7 Completion Date 1.8 Price Limitation
Number 04-96-96-964010-2916-072	June 30, 2019 \$551,136.00
1.9 Contracting Officer for State Agency	1.10 State Agency Telephone Number
Michelle Winters, Bureau of Rail & Transit	603-271-2468
1.11 Contractor Signature	1.12 Name and Title of Contractor Signatory
Duan En	Susan Lowe, CFO
1.13 Acknowledgement: State of NH , County of	Cheshire
On 4/13/2017 , before the undersigned officer, person proven to be the person whose name is signed in block 1.11, and indicated in block 1.12.	ally appeared the person identified in block 1.12, or satisfactorily acknowledged that s/he executed this document in the capacity
1.13.1 Signature of Notary Public or Justice of the Peace	
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2. EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACTOR/SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. The State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 ("State"), engages contractor identified in block 1.3 ("Contractor") to perform, and the Contractor shall perform, the work or sale of goods, or both, identified and more particularly described in the attached EXHIBIT A which is incorporated herein by reference ("Services").

3. EFFECTIVE DATE/COMPLETION OF SERVICES.

3.1 Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall not become effective until the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement ("Effective Date"). 3.2 If the Contractor commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Contractor, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, the State shall have no liability to the Contractor, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Contractor for any costs incurred or Services performed. Contractor must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in block 1.7.

4. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of appropriated funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Contractor notice of such termination. The State shall not be required to transfer funds from any other account to the Account identified in block 1.6 in the event funds in that Account are reduced or unavailable.

5. CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/ PAYMENT.

5.1 The contract price, method of payment, and terms of payment are identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT B which is incorporated herein by reference.
5.2 The payment by the State of the contract price shall be the only and the complete reimbursement to the Contractor for all expenses, of whatever nature incurred by the Contractor in the performance hereof, and shall be the only and the complete compensation to the Contractor for the Services. The State shall have no liability to the Contractor other than the contract price.

5.3 The State reserves the right to offset from any amounts otherwise payable to the Contractor under this Agreement those liquidated amounts required or permitted by N.H. RSA 80:7 through RSA 80:7-c or any other provision of law.

5.4 Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made hereunder, exceed the Price Limitation set forth in block 1.8.

6. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.

6.1 In connection with the performance of the Services, the Contractor shall comply with all statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county or municipal authorities which impose any obligation or duty upon the Contractor, including, but not limited to, civil rights and equal opportunity laws. In addition, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable copyright laws.

6.2 During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or national origin and will take affirmative action to prevent such discrimination. 6.3 If this Agreement is funded in any part by monies of the United States, the Contractor shall comply with all the provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 ("Equal Employment Opportunity"), as supplemented by the regulations of the United States Department of Labor (41 C.F.R. Part 60), and with any rules, regulations and guidelines as the State of New Hampshire or the United States issue to implement these regulations. The Contractor further agrees to permit the State or United States access to any of the Contractor's books, records and accounts for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with all rules, regulations and orders. and the covenants, terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. PERSONNEL.

7.1 The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all personnel necessary to perform the Services. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged in the Services shall be qualified to perform the Services, and shall be properly licensed and otherwise authorized to do so under all applicable laws.

7.2 Unless otherwise authorized in writing, during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six (6) months after the Completion Date in block 1.7, the Contractor shall not hire, and shall not permit any subcontractor or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Services to hire, any person who is a State employee or official, who is materially involved in the procurement, administration or performance of this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement.

7.3 The Contracting Officer specified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, shall be the State's representative. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer's decision shall be final for the State.

8. EVENT OF DEFAULT/REMEDIES.

- 8.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Contractor shall constitute an event of default hereunder ("Event of Default"):
- 8.1.1 failure to perform the Services satisfactorily or on schedule;
- 8.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; and/or 8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition
- 8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition of this Agreement.8.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State
- may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions: 8.2.1 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the
- absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two
- (2) days after giving the Contractor notice of terminators
- 8.2.2 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the contract price which would otherwise accrue to the Contractor during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Contractor has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Contractor;
- 8.2.3 set off against any other obligations the State may owe to the Contractor any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and/or
- 8.2.4 treat the Agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

9. DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/PRESERVATION.

- 9.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.
- 9.2 All data and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason.
- 9.3 Confidentiality of data shall be governed by N.H. RSA chapter 91-A or other existing law. Disclosure of data requires prior written approval of the State.
- 10. TERMINATION. In the event of an early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Services, the Contractor shall deliver to the Contracting Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report ("Termination Report") describing in detail all Services performed, and the contract price earned, to and including the date of termination. The form, subject matter, content, and number of copies of the Termination

Report shall be identical to those of any Final Report described in the attached EXHIBIT A.

11. CONTRACTOR'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Contractor is in all respects an independent contractor, and is neither an agent nor an employee of the State. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, employees, agents or members shall have authority to bind the State or receive any benefits, workers' compensation

12. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS.

or other emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the N.H. Department of Administrative Services. None of the Services shall be subcontracted by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the State.

13. INDEMNIFICATION. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based or resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant in paragraph 13 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. INSURANCE.

- 14.1 The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, obtain and maintain in force, and shall require any subcontractor or assignee to obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance:
- 14.1.1 comprehensive general liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than \$250,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 per occurrence; and
- 14.1.2 fire and extended coverage insurance covering all property subject to subparagraph 9.2 herein, in an amount not less than 80% of the whole replacement value of the property. 14.2 The policies described in subparagraph 14.1 herein shall be on policy forms and endorsements approved for use in the State of New Hampshire by the N.H. Department of Insurance, and issued by insurers licensed in the State of New Hampshire.
- 14.3 The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, a certificate(s) of insurance for all insurance required under this Agreement. Contractor shall also furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, certificate(s) of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date of each of the insurance policies. The certificate(s) of insurance and any renewals thereof shall be

attached and are incorporated herein by reference. Each certificate(s) of insurance shall contain a clause requiring the insurer to endeavor to provide the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, no less than ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation or modification of the policy.

15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

- 15.1 By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees, certifies and warrants that the Contractor is in compliance with or exempt from, the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A ("Workers' Compensation").
- 15.2 To the extent the Contractor is subject to the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A, Contractor shall maintain, and require any subcontractor or assignee to secure and maintain, payment of Workers' Compensation in connection with activities which the person proposes to undertake pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, proof of Workers' Compensation in the manner described in N.H. RSA chapter 281-A and any applicable renewal(s) thereof, which shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference. The State shall not be responsible for payment of any Workers' Compensation premiums or for any other claim or benefit for Contractor, or any subcontractor or employee of Contractor, which might arise under applicable State of New Hampshire Workers' Compensation laws in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.
- 16. WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event of Default, or any subsequent Event of Default. No express failure to enforce any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other Event of Default on the part of the Contractor.
- 17. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses given in blocks 1.2 and 1.4, herein.
- 18. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire.

19. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS.

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The wording used in this Agreement is the wording chosen by the parties to express their mutual

- intent, and no rule of construction shall be applied against or in favor of any party.
- **20. THIRD PARTIES.** The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.
- 21. HEADINGS. The headings throughout the Agreement are for reference purposes only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.
- **22. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.** Additional provisions set forth in the attached EXHIBIT C are incorporated herein by reference.
- 23. SEVERABILITY. In the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to any state or federal law, the remaining provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.
- 24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire Agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior Agreements and understandings relating hereto.

VNA at HCS, INC.

EXHIBITS TO CONTRACT

EXHIBIT A Scope of Services

EXHIBIT B Budget

EXHIBIT C Special Provisions

EXHIBIT D Vehicle Inventory

Certificate of Good Standing

Certificate of Corporate Vote

Certificate of Insurance

Unified Protective Arrangement

Federal Clauses and Federal Certifications

2 CFR Part 200

Social Service Documents to Include:

Financial Report
Board of Directors
Key Personnel and salaries
Resumes

Quarterly Monitoring Report Form Charter Report Form NTD Report Form Bus Schedule(s)

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VNA at HCS, INC.

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

- I. The Contractor, VNA at HCS, Inc., shall provide the following public transit service(s)
 - Fixed route, demand-responsive, and/or route deviation public transit services in the City
 of Keene, as detailed in the "Project Description" of the Contractor's application to the
 New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Bureau of Rail and Transit (hereinafter
 "NHDOT") for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 funding, including a
 map of service areas and fare structure.

The following terms and conditions apply to all of the public transit services provided by Contractor pursuant to this agreement:

- a. The Commissioner of the Department of Transportation or the Commissioner's designee (hereinafter the "Commissioner") may require the Contractor to provide additional transportation services or to reduce transportation services provided under this contract. Any alterations to such transportation services shall be submitted in writing by the Commissioner to the Contractor. The Contractor shall implement the alterations within thirty (30) days unless a different timeframe is agreed to by the Commissioner and the Contractor.
- b. The Contractor may request to revise transportation services, as submitted in the Contractor's grant application to the NHDOT, to add, reduce, or adjust transportation services provided under this contract. Any alterations to such transportation services, including alterations for the provision of service to special events, shall be requested in writing by the Contractor to the Commissioner for approval at least 30 days in advance. Revisions subject to a public comment period shall be requested at least 60 days in advance. Upon approval of the Commissioner, the Contractor shall implement any alterations within thirty (30) days unless a different timeframe is agreed to by the Commissioner and the Contractor.
- c. The Contractor shall not change, add, or delete any route or make any fare, service, or operating schedule adjustments without the prior written agreement of the Commissioner, except in an emergency situation. In such an emergency, the Contractor shall notify the Commissioner no later than the next working day following the day of such changes. Such emergency changes will be valid for a maximum of five days; thereafter, the written approval of the Commissioner shall be required to continue such emergency changes.
- d. All project vehicles, including those Federally-funded vehicles outlined in Exhibit D, Project Equipment, as identified by their Vehicle Identification Numbers, shall be used in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws.

EXHIBIT B

BUDGET

I. The Contract price, as defined in Section 1.8 of the General Provisions, is the FTA Section 5311 portion of the eligible project costs. Federal funds are granted as follows:

II.

	SFY 2018	SFY 2019
SECTION 5311		
Administration	\$124,924	\$124,924
Capital (PM)	\$37,332	\$37,332
Operating	\$113,312	\$113,312
Total Federal Funds	\$275,568	\$275,568

Contract Funds Requested = \$551,136

Funds are contingent upon Federal and State appropriations.

- III. Not less than fourteen days prior to the submission of the Contractor's first request for FTA Section 5311 reimbursement, the Contractor shall submit to the Commissioner a budget incorporating all funds to be expended in the provision of services pursuant to this contract. Budget revisions may be made with written approval of the Commissioner. Budget revisions may only request the transfer of funds within a category or between categories with the same matching ratio.
- IV. The Contractor may seek reimbursement only for eligible expenses listed in the budget and detail-of-cost form provided by the State, with the exception of funds specifically reserved, if any, and identified in "Specifically Programmed Funds," at the end of this Exhibit.
- V. At the sole discretion of the Commissioner, the Contractor may carry forward any unexpended portion of the federal funds included in the Contract Price to a subsequent contract, if any, between the State and the Contractor.

VNA @ HCS, INC.

EXHIBIT C SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- **C.1.** Amend P-37 Section 2. "EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACTOR/SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED" by adding the following:
 - 2.1 The Contractor may change services only with the prior written agreement of the State and in accordance with applicable Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements.
- C.2. Amend P-37 Section 5. "CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/PAYMENT" by adding the following:
 - 5.5 The amount paid by the State to the Contractor shall not exceed 50% of allowable operating costs less fare revenues plus 80% of allowable administrative and capital costs. Operating, administrative and capital costs are identified in Exhibit B. The Contractor shall provide and document the availability of local funds sufficient to meet the project cost in excess of the Contract Price Limitation.
 - 5.6 In the event that revenues exceed the total allowable costs, said revenues in excess of total allowable costs shall be placed in an interest bearing account within 30 days of the Completion Date and made available to the State upon demand.
 - 5.7 The Contractor shall submit a request for payment to the State on a form specified by the State on a monthly or quarterly basis, together with all information to support the request. Such requests for payment shall be properly completed and signed. Requests for payments must be for allowable costs only as defined in 2 CFR Part 200. No requests for advance payment will be accepted by the State.
 - 5.8 Upon receipt of the request for payment, the State shall review the request to determine the allowability of costs. In connection with this review, the State may demand production of (and the Contractor shall produce) and inspect any documents and records described in Section 5.
 - 5.9 Within 30 days of receipt of the request for payment and other documents and records required by the State, the State shall determine the allowability of costs and the amount due and owing to the Contractor and shall pay said amount, subject to other provisions of this Agreement. Contract reimbursements shall not exceed 50% of the total contract amount in any given quarter.
 - 5.10 Final Payment. Satisfactory acceptance by the State and FTA of all reports required by this Agreement is a condition precedent to final payment (i.e., payment for the last month or portion thereof of this Agreement). All reports will be prepared to the satisfaction of the State and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The final payment may be retained and withheld pending receipt and satisfactory acceptance of all reports required by this Agreement and resolution of all pending matters.
- **C.3.** Amend P-37 Section 6. "COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY" by adding the following:

- 6.4 The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.
- 6.5 The Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, age, creed, sex or national origin.
- 6.6 The provisions of 2 CFR 200 shall apply to local administration of this agreement and any subcontracts under this agreement.
- **C.4.** Amend P-37 Section 9. "DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/PRESERVATION" by adding the following:
 - 9.4 The following restrictions apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of this agreement:
 - a) Except for its own internal use, the Contractor may not publish or reproduce such data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of the State, until such time as the FTA may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public.
 - b) As authorized by 2 CFR 200, the FTA reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish and otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for Federal purposes, any work developed under a grant, cooperative agreement, sub-grant, or third party contract, irrespective of whether a copyright has been obtained; and any rights of copyright to which a recipient, sub-recipient, or third party contractor purchases ownership with Federal assistance.
 - 9.5 It is FTA's intent to increase the body of mass transportation knowledge. Therefore, the Contractor understands and agrees that in addition to the rights set forth in 9.4 (b) above, FTA may make available to any recipient, subgrantee, contractor or subcontractor its license in the copyright to the date derived under this Agreement or a copy of the data first produced under this Agreement.
 - 9.6 The Contractor shall indemnify, save and hold harmless the State and United States, their officers, agents and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation of the proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under this Agreement.
 - 9.7 Nothing contained in this clause shall imply a license to the United States under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the United States under any patent.
 - 9.8 Sections 9.4, 9.5, and 9.6 above are not applicable to material furnished to the Contractor by the State or United States and incorporated in the work furnished under the agreement; provided that such incorporated material is identified by the Contractor at the time of delivery of such work.
 - 9.9 In the event that the project is not completed for any reason, all data developed under that project shall become subject Data as defined in Section 9.1 and shall be delivered as the State or FTA may direct.

- C.5. Amend P-37 Section 10. "TERMINATION" by adding the following:
 - 10.1 The termination report must be accepted by the State and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) prior to final payment.
 - 10.2 Termination; Liability. In the event of termination under Section 4 or 10.4 of this Agreement, the acceptance of a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Contractor from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Contractor's breach of its obligations hereunder, including refund of any federal funds required by FTA.
 - 10.3 Completion of Services; Payment of Price. Excepting those obligations of the Contractor which, by the terms of this Agreement, do not expire on the Completion Date, upon the completion of the Services and upon payment of the Contract Price, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall cease and shall be without recourse to the parties hereto.
 - 10.4 Termination for Convenience. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or, except where notice of default has been given to the Contractor hereunder, the Contractor may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.
- **C.6.** Amend P-37 Section 12. "ASSIGNMENTS/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS" by adding the following:
 - 12.1 The Contractor shall cause the provisions of this contract to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by this Agreement so that the provisions will be binding on each subcontractor; provided, however, that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to subcontractors for standard commercial supplies or raw materials. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the State may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance. The Contractor shall ensure that any subcontractor has obtained all licenses, permits or approvals required for the performance of contract services.
- C.7. Amend P-37 Section 14. "INSURANCE" by adding the following:
 - 14.1.1.a. The State of New Hampshire, Department of Transportation has accepted the General Liability insurance of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 General Aggregate for VNA @ HCS, Inc. in fulfillment of the requirements of Section 14.1.1 General Liability Insurance of the P-37 form.
- C.8. Amend P-37 by adding "DEFINITIONS" as Section 25:

25. **DEFINITIONS**

ALLOWABLE COSTS: Costs that are incurred in the performance of the Services described in Exhibit A and which satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR 200.

FTA: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration

PROJECT APPLICATION: The narrative, charts, figures and/or maps submitted to the

State detailing the scope of the public transportation program of the Contract as modified and approved by the State.

REVENUE: Fares from individuals or other direct income for the public transportation services being provided by the Contractor. Revenues also include funds from contracts, purchase of service agreement, and excess matching funds that directly benefit the transportation service.

SECTION 5311: Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended.

STATE: The State of New Hampshire, acting through the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Rail and Transit.

- **C.9.** Amend P-37 by adding "ACCOUNTING, BOOKKEEPING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS" as Section 26:
- 1. Ledgers. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall establish and maintain ledger sheets for each budget category. Entries shall be made and shall reflect the financial activities of the Contractor. The ledger sheet must be in a form approved by the State. The ledger will indicate the funds remaining in each line item of the Contract Budget at the beginning of each month. Entries shall be made on a running basis and carried over to the following month; that is, figures will be brought forward cumulatively. Contractor shall also prepare and submit to the State a profit and loss statement quarterly if such information is not provided with invoices.
- 2. Accounts Receivable. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall deposit all revenue in an interest-bearing account with a banking institution in this State. Contractor shall prepare and maintain receipt vouchers for all revenue. Immediately upon receipt, Contractor and/or subcontractor shall credit all revenue to the appropriate receipt account. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall establish and maintain an Accounts Receivable Ledger. The receipt number appearing in the Ledger shall correspond to the receipt voucher number. A receipt voucher must be completed on a form approved by the State and shall identify each component of every deposit. All appropriate supporting documents for each deposit should be attached to the receipt voucher.
- Ontractor and/or subcontractor shall prepare vouchers to document all expenditures of funds. The voucher shall include the following information and shall be prepared on a form approved by the State: The Division and account numbers from which the funds will be drawn, the date of expenditure, a voucher number running in sequence, and any appropriate comments supporting the expenditure of funds (e.g., invoices and payroll vouchers). All invoices received by the Contractor shall be checked for accuracy and allowability. Each invoice must be approved for payment by the Contract Manager or designee. Immediately upon payment, Contractor and/or subcontractor shall make entries to the appropriate ledger sheets documenting payment. (Each subcontractor shall identify a Contract Manager).
- .4. Voucher and Receipt Register. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall establish and maintain two registers that will contain a running total of all payable receipt vouchers. The registers will provide a summary of voucher or receipt numbers, amount and purpose of action. No self-designated abbreviations are to be used.
- .5. Check Register. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall maintain a check register. This register is also considered a book of original entry, and is posted to the ledger immediately.
- .6. Time Sheet, Taxes, and Benefits. Contractor and/or subcontractor shall require each of its

employees to: 1) submit weekly time reports designating work performed and time spent on such work, or 2) be included in an indirect cost allocation plan approved by the cognizant Federal agency. The contractor shall summarize time reports by task and apply employee's rates of pay to the hours worked. The Contract Manager shall review completed and signed time reports, and cause them to be posted to the appropriate category in the general ledger. The Contractor shall maintain records of employee payroll and benefits and shall post this information to the appropriate category in the general ledger. The Contract Manager shall ensure that all payments are on a timely basis.

- .7. **Reimbursements.** Prior to the fifteenth day of each month, the Contractor shall submit a description of Contract activities, in a format as required by the State. Should the Contractor show a profit for any month, the Contractor shall apply the amount of profit against subsequent reimbursement requests. The Contractor shall agree to provide information in addition to the monthly narrative at such times and in such manner as the State may require, and to prepare any reports which may be requested by the State including but not limited to a final or termination report if operations cease.
- .8. Maintenance of Records. The Contractor shall keep and maintain the records, documents, and accounts described herein for a period of three years after the FTA grant is closed. The Contractor shall maintain, and make available to the State and FTA, records relating to complaints and comments received from the public. In the event the State disputes the Contractor's operations or records as submitted for payment or otherwise, final resolution shall rest with the State.
- 9. Audits and Inspections. Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date, and for a period of three (3) years after the FTA grant is closed or the date of resolution of all matters relating to this Agreement, whichever is later, at any time during the Contractor's normal business hours, and as often as the State or FTA may demand, the Contractor shall make available to the State and FTA or their designees all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Contractor shall permit the State and FTA to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, Data (as defined in P-37 section 9.1) and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Contractor" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Contractor in 1.3 of P-37.
- .10. Independent Audit. The Contractor shall submit one audit done by one Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for the entire project, or, as the State may require, for any part of the project upon demand. Monies required for payment of the audit shall be set aside in the Contract Budget for that specific purpose.
 - .10.1. In the event the audit reveals that monies are due and owing to the State from the Contractor, for whatever reasons, the Contractor shall pay to the State such sums within thirty (30) days of the audit date.
- .11. The Contractor shall submit quarterly performance, drug and alcohol, and charter activity reports within 30 days of the end of each quarter and shall submit any forms, information or reports required by the State to complete the FTA's National Transit Database (NTD) reporting.
- C.10. Amend P-37 by adding "PROJECT EQUIPMENT AND REAL PROPERTY" as Section 27:
 - 27. PROJECT EQUIPMENT AND REAL PROPERTY. The following terms and conditions apply to all equipment and real property purchased in whole or in part with funds provided

through this or other Agreements between the State and the Contractor:

- a. All procurements shall be made in accordance with 2 CFR 200 and FTA Circular 4220.1F and future amendments, and with Buy America requirements, 49 CFR Part 660.
- b. All vehicles shall be purchased by the State, unless the Contractor has received prior approval from the State to procure vehicles.
- c. All other equipment with a cost in excess of five hundred (\$500) per unit shall be purchased by the Contractor subject to the prior approval of the State.
- d. Title to all project equipment shall be in the name of the Contractor; provided, however, that in order to secure the complete performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall give the State a security interest in all such equipment at the time of purchase and shall execute financing statements and do all other acts necessary or useful to the perfection of that interest and the renewal thereof. In connection with the purchase of any motor vehicles pursuant to this Agreement, the Contractor shall give the State a security interest in the motor vehicles at the time of purchase and shall take all steps necessary to protect the State's security interest, including taking steps to identify the State as a lien holder of such motor vehicles on the motor vehicle titles.
- e. In the event that this agreement is terminated, all project equipment and property becomes the property of the State and it is understood and agreed that legal title to such equipment shall be transferred to the State as soon as feasible. Project equipment will be disposed of in accordance with FTA Circular 9040.1G, and the State Management Plan.
- C.11. Amend P-37 by adding "EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION" as section 28:
 - 28. EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION. The Contractor shall maintain a current inventory listing of all nonexpendable property involved in this Agreement. The Contract shall submit to the State a certification that the equipment is still being used in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. The inventory listing and equipment certification shall be supplied to the State by May 31st of each year.
- C.12. Amend P-37 by adding "EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE" as section 29:
 - 29. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE. Contractor shall be responsible for the maintenance and repair of all equipment used in the service described in Exhibit D. Contractor shall maintain all such equipment at a high level of cleanliness, safety, and mechanical soundness. The contractor shall certify that a proper maintenance plan that meets or exceeds the original equipment manufacturer's preventive maintenance guidelines is followed. Vehicle maintenance plans must be approved by the Board of Directors. All maintenance, repair and physical improvement activities on equipment shall be conducted by the Contractor and at a location specified by the Contractor. The Contractor shall notify the State of any changes in this location. The Contractor further agrees to maintain, repair, or make any physical improvement to equipment as requested by the State. The State, FTA and/or their designees shall have the right to conduct periodic inspections for the purpose of confirming proper maintenance and repair.
- C.13. Amend P-37 by adding "REPAIR RECORDS AND REPORTS" as section 30:
 - 30. REPAIR RECORDS AND REPORTS. The Contractor shall maintain a complete and up to date record of all motor vehicle repairs, and shall make such records available to the State and FTA upon demand.

C.14. Amend P-37 by adding "VEHICLE STORAGE" as section 31:

31. VEHICLE STORAGE. With respect to any motor vehicles purchased in whole or part under this Agreement, or maintained under this Agreement, the Contractor shall park or garage each vehicle so as to ensure maximum available protection and safety for each vehicle. The Contractor shall also ensure that each vehicle will be parked or garaged in such a manner that its daily operations are not impaired or curtailed by conditions of weather or any other circumstances. The Contractor shall notify the State of the location of the garaging site and any relocation.

C.15. Amend P-37 by adding "TRAINING AND DRIVER REVIEW" as section 32:

32. TRAINING AND DRIVER REVIEW. The State may require participation in training courses determined to be essential to FTA program management in this contract period and may require participation in such training programs as it deems necessary by drivers and other employees involved in the transportation of the public. Training may include defensive driving, passenger assistance, emergency procedures and periodic refresher training every three (3) years. The Contractor agrees that the State shall have the right to review the performance of all drivers who are employed in connection with this Agreement, and to disallow the use of any driver whose performance as a driver is determined to be unsatisfactory by the State.

C.16. Amend P-37 by adding "SAFETY REQUIREMENTS" as section 33:

33. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS. All project equipment shall be inspected and certified by the Department of Safety, and shall meet all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations as required by the United States Department of Transportation, and by the New Hampshire Department of Safety under RSA 266:72-a, in the purchase and operation of all project equipment.

The Contractor shall provide the State with full and prompt written notification of any accident involving any vehicle used in its services. In addition, the Contractor shall be responsible to report any accident in compliance with State law.

The Contractor shall submit to the State by February 15 of each year a report covering the previous year (January 1 through December 31), summarizing the results of its alcohol misuse prevention and anti-drug programs on FTA approved forms. This shall be in compliance with 49 CFR Part 655.

C.17. Amend P-37 by adding "SERVICE LIMITATIONS" as section 34:

34. SERVICE LIMITATIONS. The Contractor shall not engage in the provision of transportation services other than those described in Exhibit A, or outside the service area described in Exhibit A, without the written consent of the State and without obtaining the appropriate operating authority. The Contractor shall not engage in charter or school bus operations except as permitted by 49 CFR Parts 604 and 605, respectively.

C.18. Amend P-37 by adding "CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIONS" as section 35:

35. CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIONS. Contractor warrants that with respect to the Services to be performed, it has obtained all licenses, permits, or approvals which are required by any law, order or regulation of any authority, state or federal, or which may be necessary for the performance of the Services hereunder. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged

in the Services shall be qualified to perform such Services, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Services under all applicable laws.

C.19. Amend P-37 by adding "LABOR PROVISIONS" as section 36:

36. LABOR PROVISIONS. The Contractor agrees to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Unified Protective Arrangement, Section 533(b) of 49 USC 53 or as amended, incorporated herein for the protection of the employees of any employer providing transportation services assisted by this Agreement, and the employees of any other surface transportation providers in the transportation service area identified in Exhibit A.

C.20. Amend P-37 by adding "PATENT RIGHTS" as section 37:

37. PATENT RIGHTS. If any invention, improvement, or discovery of the Contractor is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under this Contract, which invention, improvement or discovery may be patentable under the laws of the United States or any foreign country, the Contractor shall immediately notify the State and provide a detailed report. The rights and responsibilities of the Contractor and the State with respect to such invention, improvement, or discovery will be determined in accordance with applicable Federal laws, regulations, policies and any waiver thereof.

C.21. Amend P-37 by adding "BROKERAGE REPRESENTATION" as section 38:

38. BROKERAGE REPRESENTATION. The Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona-fide employee working solely for the Contractor, to solicit or secure this Agreement; and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any company or person, other than a bona-fide employee working solely for the Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For breach or violation of this warranty, the State shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or, in its discretion to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, brokerage, brokerage fee, gift, or contingent fee.

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VNA AT HCS, INC.

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2013 Ford Advantage Bus 16&2	1FDFE4FS2DDB28889	80% NH-16-X038
2013 Freightliner Sprinter	WDPPF4CC5D5783182	80% NH-16-X038
2016 Ford E450 16 & 2 Passenger Bus	1FDFE4FS5GDC56662	85% NH-16-X042
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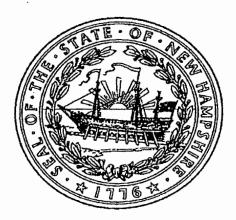
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CERTIFICATE

I, William M. Gardner, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that VNA AT HCS, INC. is a New Hampshire Nonprofit Corporation registered to transact business in New Hampshire on November 18, 1981. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: 67798



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of New Hampshire. this 5th day of April A.D. 2017.

William M. Gardner Secretary of State

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VNA at HCS, Inc.

ABSTRACT OF CORPORATE MINUTES

The following is a true abstract of a vote of the Board of Directors of VNA at HCS, Inc. on April 13, 2017, at which a quorum was polled:

"On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to authorize the CFO to accept grants and awards and enter into contracts, and contract amendments from time to time with the Federal Transit Administration Section 5311, to sign and otherwise fully execute such acceptances and contracts, and contract amendments or modifications thereto, and any related documents requested by the Federal Transit Administration Section 5311; this authorization to continue until revoked by vote of this governing board."

I certify the foregoing vote is still in effect and has not been revoked, rescinded or modified.

I further certify that Susan Lowe is the duly elected CFO of this corporation and is still qualified and serving in such capacity.

April 13, 2017
Date

Betsy Cotter

VNA at HCS Board Chairperson

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE

On April 13, 2017, before the undersigned officer personally appeared the person identified in the foregoing certificate, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the Chairperson of the corporation identified in the foregoing certificate, and acknowledged that she executed the foregoing certificate.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Karen Campbell, Notary Public

My commission expires:

KAREN M. CAMPBELL., Notary Public My Commission Expires June 4, 2019



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 4/13/2017

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES 3ELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s)

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UNIFIED PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENT

For Application to Capital and Operating Assistance Projects'
PURSUANT TO SECTION 5333(b) OF
TITLE 49 OF THE U.S. CODE, CHAPTER 53

January 3, 2011

The following language shall be made part of the Department of Transportation's contract of assistance with the Grantee, by reference;

The terms and conditions set forth below shall apply for the protection of the transportation related employees in the transportation service area of the Project. As a precondition of the release of assistance by the Grantee to any additional Recipient under the grant, the Grantee shall incorporate this arrangement into the contract of assistance between the Grantee and the Recipient, by reference, binding the Recipient to these arrangements.

These protective arrangements are intended for the benefit of transit employees in the service area of the project, who are considered as third-party beneficiaries to the employee protective arrangements incorporated by reference in the grant contract between the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Grantee, and the parties to the contract so signify by executing that contract. Transit employees are also third-party beneficiaries to the protective arrangements incorporated in subsequent contracts of assistance, pursuant to the Department's certification, between the Grantee and any Recipient. Employees may assert claims through their representative with respect to the protective arrangements under this provision. This clause creates no independent cause of action against the United States Government.

The term "service area," as used herein, includes the geographic area over which the Project is operated and the area whose population is served by the Project, including adjacent areas affected by the Project. The term "Union," as used herein, refers to any labor organization representing employees providing public transportation services in the service area of a Project assisted under the grant, including both employees of the Recipient and employees of other public transportation providers. The term "Recipient," as used herein, shall refer to any employer(s) receiving transportation assistance under the grant. The term "Grantee," as used herein, shall refer to the applicant for assistance; a Grantee which receives assistance is also a Recipient.

(1) The Project shall be carried out in such a manner and upon such terms and conditions as will not adversely affect employees of the Recipient and of any other surface public transportation provider in the transportation service area of the Project. It shall be an obligation of the Recipient to assure that any and all transportation services assisted by the Project are contracted for and operated in such a manner that they do not impair the rights and interests of affected employees. The term "Project," as used herein, shall not be limited to the particular facility, service, or operation assisted by Federal funds, but shall include any changes, whether organizational, operational, technological, or otherwise, which are a result of the assistance provided. The phrase "as a result of the Project," shall, when used in this arrangement, include events related to the Project occurring in anticipation of, during, and subsequent to the Project and any program of efficiencies or economies related thereto; provided, however, that volume rises and falls of business, or changes in volume and character of employment brought about solely by causes other than the Project (including any economies or efficiencies unrelated to the Project) are not within the purview of this arrangement.

An employee covered by this arrangement, who is not dismissed, displaced or otherwise worsened in his/her position with regard to employment as a result of the Project, but who is dismissed, displaced or otherwise worsened solely because of the total or partial termination of the Project or exhaustion of Project funding shall not be deemed eligible for a dismissal or displacement allowance within the meaning of paragraphs (6) and (7) of this arrangement.

(2) Where employees of a Recipient are represented for collective bargaining purposes, all Project services provided by that Recipient shall be provided under and in accordance with any collective bargaining agreement applicable to such employees which is then in effect. This Arrangement does not create any collective bargaining relationship where one does not already exist or between any Recipient and the employees of another employer. Where the Recipient has no collective bargaining relationship with the Unions representing employees in the service area, the Recipient will not take any action which impairs or interferes with the rights, privileges, and benefits and/or the preservation or continuation of the collective bargaining rights of such employees.

- (3) All rights, privileges, and benefits (including pension rights and benefits) of employees covered by this arrangement (including employees having already retired) under existing collective bargaining agreements or otherwise, or under any revision or renewal thereof, shall be preserved and continued; provided, however, that such rights, privileges and benefits which are not foreclosed from further bargaining under applicable law or contract may be modified by collective bargaining and agreement by the Recipient and the Union involved to substitute other rights, privileges and benefits. Unless otherwise provided, nothing in this arrangement shall be deemed to restrict any rights the Recipient may otherwise have to direct the working forces and manage its business as it deems best, in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement.
- (4) The collective bargaining rights of employees covered by this arrangement, including the right to arbitrate labor disputes and to maintain union security and checkoff arrangements, as provided by applicable laws, policies and/or existing collective bargaining agreements, shall be preserved and continued. Provided, however, that this provision shall not be interpreted so as to require the Recipient to retain any such rights which exist by virtue of a collective bargaining agreement after such agreement is no longer in effect.

The Recipient agrees that it will bargain collectively with the Union or otherwise arrange for the continuation of collective bargaining, and that it will enter into agreements with the Union or arrange for such agreements to be entered into, relative to all subjects which are or may be proper subjects of collective bargaining. If, at any time, applicable law or contracts permit or grant to employees covered by this arrangement the right to utilize any economic measures, nothing in this arrangement shall be deemed to foreclose the exercise of such right.

- (5)(a) The Recipient shall provide to all affected employees sixty (60) days' notice of intended actions which may result in displacements or dismissals or rearrangements of the working forces as a result of the Project. In the case of employees represented by a Union, such notice shall be provided by certified mail through their representatives. The notice shall contain a full and adequate statement of the proposed changes, and an estimate of the number of employees affected by the intended changes, and the number and classifications of any jobs within the jurisdiction and control of the Recipient, including those in the employment of any entity bound by this arrangement pursuant to paragraph (21), available to be filled by such affected employees.
- (5)(b) The procedures of this subparagraph shall apply to cases where notices, provided under subparagraph 5(a), involve employees represented by a Union for collective bargaining purposes. At the request of either the Recipient or the representatives of such employees, negotiations for the purposes of reaching agreement with respect to the application of the terms and conditions of this arrangement shall commence immediately. These negotiations shall include determining the selection of forces from among the mass transportation employees who may be affected as a result of the Project, to establish which such employees shall be offered employment for which they are qualified or can be trained. If no agreement is reached within twenty (20) days from the commencement of negotiations, any party to the dispute may submit the matter to dispute settlement procedures in accordance with paragraph (15) of this arrangement. Unless the parties otherwise mutually agree in writing, no change in operations, services, facilities or equipment within the purview of this paragraph (5) shall occur until after either: 1) an agreement with respect to the application of the terms and conditions of this arrangement to the intended change(s) is reached; 2) the decision has been rendered pursuant to the dispute resolution procedures in accordance with paragraph (15) of this arrangement; or 3) an arbitrator selected pursuant to Paragraph (15) of this arrangement determines that the intended change(s) may be instituted prior to the finalization of implementing arrangements.
- (5)(c) In the event of a dispute as to whether an intended change within the purview of this paragraph (5) may be instituted at the end of the 60-day notice period and before an implementing agreement is reached or a final dispute resolution determination is rendered pursuant to subparagraph (b), any involved party may immediately submit that issue to the dispute resolution process under paragraph (15) of this arrangement. In any such dispute resolution procedure, the neutral shall rely upon the standards and criteria utilized by the Surface Transportation Board (and its predecessor agency, the Interstate Commerce Commission) to address the "preconsummation" issue in cases involving employee protections pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 11326 (or its predecessor, Section 5(2)(f) of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended). If the Recipient demonstrates, as a threshold matter in any such dispute resolution process, that the intended action is a trackage rights, lease proceeding or similar transaction, and not a merger, acquisition, consolidation, or other similar transaction, the burden shall then shift to the involved labor organization(s) to prove that under the standards and criteria referenced above, the intended action should not be permitted to be instituted prior to the effective date of a negotiated or arbitrated implementing agreement. If the Recipient fails to demonstrate that the intended action is a trackage rights, lease proceeding, or similar transaction, it shall be the burden of the Recipient to prove that under the standards and criteria referenced above, the intended action should be

permitted to be instituted prior to the effective date of a negotiated or arbitrated implementing agreement. For purposes of any such dispute resolution procedure, the time period within which the parties are to respond to the list of potential neutrals submitted by the American Arbitration Association shall be five (5) days, the notice of hearing may be given orally or by facsimile, the hearing will be held promptly, and the award of the neutral shall be rendered promptly and, unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, no later than fourteen (14) days from the date of closing the hearings, with five (5) additional days if post hearing briefs are submitted by either party. The intended change shall not be instituted during the pendency of any dispute resolution proceedings under this subparagraph (c).

(5)(d) If an intended change within the purview of this paragraph (5) is instituted before an implementing agreement is reached or a final decision is rendered pursuant to subparagraph (b), all employees affected shall be kept financially whole, as if the noticed and implemented action has not taken place, from the time they are affected until the effective date of an implementing agreement or final decision. This protection shall be in addition to the protective period defined in paragraph (14) of this arrangement, which period shall begin on the effective date of the implementing agreement or final dispute resolution determination rendered pursuant to subparagraph (b).

An employee selecting, bidding on, or hired to fill any position established as a result of a noticed and implemented action prior to the consummation of an implementing agreement or final dispute resolution determination shall accumulate no benefits under this arrangement as a result thereof during that period prior to the consummation of an implementing agreement or final decision pursuant to subparagraph (b).

- (6)(a) Whenever an employee retained in service, recalled to service, or employed by the Recipient pursuant to paragraphs (5), (7)(e), or (18) hereof is placed in a worse position with respect to compensation as a result of the Project, the employee shall be considered a "displaced employee", and shall be paid a monthly "displacement allowance" to be determined in accordance with this paragraph. Said displacement allowance shall be paid to each displaced employee during the protective period so long as the employee is unable, in the exercise of his/her seniority rights, to obtain a position producing compensation equal to or exceeding the compensation the employee received in the position from which the employee was displaced, adjusted to reflect subsequent general wage adjustments, including cost of living adjustments where provided for.
- (6)(b) The displacement allowance shall be a monthly allowance determined by computing the total compensation received by the employee, including vacation allowances and monthly compensation guarantees, and his/her total time paid for during the last twelve (12) months in which the employee performed compensated service more than fifty per centum of each such months, based upon the employee's normal work schedule, immediately preceding the date of his/her displacement as a result of the Project, and by dividing separately the total compensation and the total time paid for by twelve, thereby producing the average monthly compensation and the average monthly time paid for. Such allowance shall be adjusted to reflect subsequent general wage adjustments, including cost of living adjustments where provided for. If the displaced employee's compensation in his/her current position is less in any month during his/her protective period than the aforesaid average compensation (adjusted to reflect subsequent general wage adjustments, including cost of living adjustments where provided for), the employee shall be paid the difference, less compensation for any time lost on account of voluntary absences to the extent that the employee is not available for service equivalent to his/her average monthly time, but the employee shall be compensated in addition thereto at the rate of the current position for any time worked in excess of the average monthly time paid for. If a displaced employee fails to exercise his/her seniority rights to secure another position to which the employee is entitled under the then existing collective bargaining agreement, and which carries a wage rate and compensation exceeding that of the position which the employee elects to retain, the employee shall thereafter be treated, for the purposes of this paragraph, as occupying the position the employee elects to decline.
- (6)(c) The displacement allowance shall cease prior to the expiration of the protective period in the event of the displaced employee's resignation, death, retirement, or dismissal for cause in accordance with any labor agreement applicable to his/her employment.
- (7)(a) Whenever any employee is laid off or otherwise deprived of employment as a result of the Project, in accordance with any collective bargaining agreement applicable to his/her employment, the employee shall be considered a "dismissed employee" and shall be paid a monthly dismissal allowance to be determined in accordance with this paragraph. Said dismissal allowance shall first be paid to each dismissed employee on the thirtieth (30th) day following the day on which the employee is "dismissed" and shall continue during the protective period, as follow:

Employee's length of service Prior to adverse effect 1 day to 6 years 6 years or more

Period of protection equivalent period 6 years

The monthly dismissal allowance shall be equivalent to one-twelfth (1/12th) of the total compensation received by the employee in the last twelve (12) months of his/her employment in which the employee performed compensation service more than fifty per centum of each such month based on the employee's normal work schedule to the date on which the employee was first deprived of employment as a result of the Project. Such allowance shall be adjusted to reflect subsequent general wage adjustments, including cost of living adjustments where provided for.

- (7)(b) An employee shall be regarded as deprived of employment and entitled to a dismissal allowance when the position the employee holds is abolished as a result of the Project, or when the position the employee holds is not abolished but the employee loses that position as a result of the exercise of seniority rights by an employee whose position is abolished as a result of the Project or as a result of the exercise of seniority rights by other employees brought about as a result of the Project, and the employee is unable to obtain another position, either by the exercise of the employee's seniority rights, or through the Recipient, in accordance with subparagraph (e). In the absence of proper notice followed by an agreement or decision pursuant to paragraph (5) hereof, no employee who has been deprived of employment as a result of the Project shall be required to exercise his/her seniority rights to secure another position in order to qualify for a dismissal allowance hereunder.
- (7)(c) Each employee receiving a dismissal allowance shall keep the Recipient informed as to his/her current address and the current name and address of any other person by whom the employee may be regularly employed, or if the employee is self-employed.
- (7)(d) The dismissal allowance shall be paid to the regularly assigned incumbent of the position abolished. If the position of an employee is abolished when the employee is absent from service, the employee will be entitled to the dismissal allowance when the employee is available for service. The employee temporarily filling said position at the time it was abolished will be given a dismissal allowance on the basis of that position, until the regular employee is available for service, and thereafter shall revert to the employee's previous status and will be given the protections of the agreement in said position, if any are due him/her.
- (7)(e) An employee receiving a dismissal allowance shall be subject to call to return to service by the employee's former employer, after being notified in accordance with the terms of the then-existing collective bargaining agreement. Prior to such call to return to work by his/her employer, the employee may be required by the Recipient to accept reasonably comparable employment for which the employee is physically and mentally qualified, or for which the employee can become qualified after a reasonable training or retraining period, provided it does not require a change in residence or infringe upon the employment rights of other employees under then-existing collective bargaining agreements.
- (7)(f) When an employee who is receiving a dismissal allowance again commences employment in accordance with subparagraph (e) above, said allowance shall cease while the employee is so reemployed, and the period of time during which the employee is so reemployed shall be deducted from the total period for which the employee is entitled to receive a dismissal allowance. During the time of such reemployment, the employee shall be entitled to the protections of this arrangement to the extent they are applicable.
- (7)(g) The dismissal allowance of any employee who is otherwise employed shall be reduced to the extent that the employee's combined monthly earnings from such other employment or self-employment, any benefits received from any unemployment insurance law, and his/her dismissal allowance exceed the amount upon which the employee's dismissal allowance is based. Such employee, or his/her union representative, and the Recipient shall agree upon a procedure by which the Recipient shall be kept currently informed of the earnings of such employee in employment other than with the employee's former employer, including self-employment, and the benefits received.
- (7)(h) The dismissal allowance shall cease prior to the expiration of the protective period in the event of the failure of the employee without good cause to return to service in accordance with the applicable labor agreement, or to accept

employment as provided under subparagraph (e) above, or in the event of the employee's resignation, death, retirement, or dismissal for cause in accordance with any labor agreement applicable to his/her employment.

- (7)(i) A dismissed employee receiving a dismissal allowance shall actively seek and not refuse other reasonably comparable employment offered him/her for which the employee is physically and mentally qualified and does not require a change in the employee's place of residence. Failure of the dismissed employee to comply with this obligation shall be grounds for discontinuance of the employee's allowance; provided that said dismissal allowance shall not be discontinued until final determination is made either by agreement between the Recipient and the employee or his/her representative, or by final and binding dispute resolution determination rendered in accordance with paragraph (15) of this arrangement that such employee did not comply with this obligation.
- (8) In determining length of service of a displaced or dismissed employee for purposes of this arrangement, such employee shall be given full service credits in accordance with the records and labor agreements applicable to him/her and the employee shall be given additional service credits for each month in which the employee receives a dismissal or displacement allowance as if the employee were continuing to perform services in his/her former position.
- (9) No employee shall be entitled to either a displacement or dismissal allowance under paragraphs (6) or (7) hereof because of the abolishment of a position to which, at some future time, the employee could have bid, been transferred, or promoted.
- (10) No employee receiving a dismissal or displacement allowance shall be deprived, during the employee's protected period, of any rights, privileges, or benefits attaching to his/her employment, including, without limitation, group life insurance, hospitalization and medical care, free transportation for the employee and the employee's family, sick leave, continued status and participation under any disability or retirement program, and such other employee benefits as Railroad Retirement, Social Security, Workmen's Compensation, and unemployment compensation, as well as any other benefits to which the employee may be entitled under the same conditions and so long as such benefits continue to be accorded to other employees of the bargaining unit, in active service or furloughed as the case may be.
- (11)(a) Any employee covered by this arrangement who is retained in the service of his/her employer, or who is later restored to service after being entitled to receive a dismissal allowance, and who is required to change the point of his/her employment in order to retain or secure active employment with the Recipient in accordance with this arrangement, and who is required to move his/her place of residence, shall be reimbursed for all expenses of moving his/her household and other personal effects, for the traveling expenses for the employee and members of the employee's immediate family, including living expenses for the employee and the employee's immediate family, and for his/her own actual wage loss during the time necessary for such transfer and for a reasonable time thereafter, not to exceed five (5) working days. The exact extent of the responsibility of the Recipient under this paragraph, and the ways and means of transportation, shall be agreed upon in advance between the Recipient and the affected employee or the employee's representatives.
- (11)(b) If any such employee is laid off within three (3) years after changing his/her point of employment in accordance with paragraph (a) hereof, and elects to move his/her place of residence back to the original point of employment, the Recipient shall assume the expenses, losses and costs of moving to the same extent provided in subparagraph (a) of this paragraph (11) and paragraph (12)(a) hereof.
- (11)(c) No claim for reimbursement shall be paid under the provisions of this paragraph unless such claim is presented to the Recipient in writing within ninety (90) days after the date on which the expenses were incurred.
- (11)(d) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (b), changes in place of residence, subsequent to the initial changes as a result of the Project, which are not a result of the Project but grow out of the normal exercise of seniority rights, shall not be considered within the purview of this paragraph.
- (12)(a) The following conditions shall apply to the extent they are applicable in each instance to any employee who is retained in the service of the employer (or who is later restored to service after being entitled to receive a dismissal allowance), who is required to change the point of his/her employment as a result of the Project, and is thereby required to move his/her place of residence.

If the employee owns his/her own home in the locality from which the employee is required to move, the employee shall, at the employee's option, be reimbursed by the Recipient for any loss suffered in the sale of the employee's home for less than its fair market value, plus conventional fees and closing costs, such loss to be paid within thirty (30) days of settlement or closing on the sale of the home. In each case, the fair market value of the home in question shall be determined, as of a date sufficiently prior to the date of the Project, so as to be unaffected thereby. The Recipient shall, in each instance, be afforded an opportunity to purchase the home at such fair market value before it is sold by the employee to any other person and to reimburse the seller for his/her conventional fees and closing costs.

If the employee is under a contract to purchase his/her home, the Recipient shall protect the employee against loss under such contract, and in addition, shall relieve the employee from any further obligation thereunder.

If the employee holds an unexpired lease of a dwelling occupied as the employee's home, the Recipient shall protect the employee from all loss and cost in securing the cancellation of said lease.

- (12)(b) No claim for loss shall be paid under the provisions of this paragraph unless such claim is presented to the Recipient in writing within one year after the effective date of the change in residence.
- (12)(c) Should a controversy arise in respect to the value of the home, the loss sustained in its sale, the loss under a contract for purchase, loss and cost in securing termination of a lease, or any other question in connection with these matters, it shall be decided through a joint conference between the employee, or his/her union, and the Recipient. In the event they are unable to agree, the dispute or controversy may be referred by the Recipient or the union to a board of competent real estate appraisers selected in the following manner: one (1) to be selected by the representatives of the employee, and one (1) by the Recipient, and these two, if unable to agree within thirty (30) days upon the valuation, shall endeavor by agreement with ten (10) days thereafter to select a third appraiser, or to agree to a method by which a third appraiser shall be selected, and failing such agreement, either party may request the State and local Board of Real Estate Commissioners to designate within ten (10) days a third appraiser, whose designation will be binding upon the parties and whose jurisdiction shall be limited to determination of the issues raised in this paragraph only. A decision of a majority of the appraisers shall be required and said decision shall be final, binding, and conclusive. The compensation and expenses of the neutral appraiser including expenses of the appraisal board, shall be borne equally by the parties to the proceedings. All other expenses shall be paid by the party incurring them, including the compensation of the appraiser selected by such party.
- (12)(d) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (11)(b) hereof, changes in place of residence, subsequent to the initial changes as a result of the Project, which are not a result of the Project but grow out of the normal exercise of seniority rights, shall not be considered within the purview of this paragraph.
- (12)(e) "Change in residence" means transfer to a work location which is either (A) outside a radius of twenty (20) miles of the employee's former work location and farther from the employee's residence than was his/her former work location, or (B) is more than thirty (30) normal highway route miles from the employee's residence and also farther from his/her residence than was the employee's former work location.
- (13)(a) A dismissed employee entitled to protection under this arrangement may, at the employee's option within twenty-one (21) days of his/her dismissal, resign and (in lieu of all other benefits and protections provided in this arrangement) accept a lump sum payment computed in accordance with section (9) of the Washington Job Protection Agreement of May 1936:

Length of Service	Separation Allowance			
1 year and less than 2 years	3 months' pay			
2""" 3 "	6""			
3""" 5 "	9""			
5" " " 10 "	12 " "			
10"" " " 15 "	12 " "			
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In the case of an employee with less than one year's service, five days' pay, computed by multiplying by 5 the normal daily earnings (including regularly scheduled overtime, but excluding other overtime payments) received by the

employee in the position last occupied, for each month in which the employee performed service, will be paid as the lump sum.

Length of service shall be computed as provided in Section 7(b) of the Washington Job Protection Agreement, as follows:

For the purposes of this arrangement, the length of service of the employee shall be determined from the date the employee last acquired an employment status with the employing carrier and the employee shall be given credit for one month's service for each month in which the employee performed any service (in any capacity whatsoever) and twelve (12) such months shall be credited as one year's service. The employment status of an employee shall not be interrupted by furlough in instances where the employee has a right to and does return to service when called. In determining length of service of an employee acting as an officer or other official representative of an employee organization, the employee will be given credit for performing service while so engaged on leave of absence from the service of a carrier.

- (13)(b) One month's pay shall be computed by multiplying by 30 the normal daily earnings (including regularly scheduled overtime, but excluding other overtime payments) received by the employee in the position last occupied prior to time of the employee's dismissal as a result of the Project.
- (14) Whenever used herein, unless the context requires otherwise, the term "protective period" means that period of time during which a displaced or dismissed employee is to be provided protection hereunder and extends from the date on which an employee is displaced or dismissed to the expiration of six (6) years therefrom, provided, however, that the protective period for any particular employee during which the employee is entitled to receive the benefits of these provisions shall not continue for a longer period following the date the employee was displaced or dismissed than the employee's length of service, as shown by the records and labor agreements applicable to his/her employment prior to the date of the employee's displacement or dismissal.
- 1. (15) Any dispute, claim, or grievance arising from or relating to the interpretation, application or enforcement of the provisions of this arrangement, not otherwise governed by paragraph 12(c) of this arrangement, the Labor-Management Relations Act, as amended, the Railway Labor Act, as amended, or by impasse resolution provisions in a collective bargaining or protective arrangement involving the Recipient(s) and the Union(s), which cannot be settled by the parties thereto within thirty (30) days after the dispute or controversy arises, may be submitted at the written request of the Recipient(s) or the Union(s) in accordance with a final and binding resolution procedure mutually acceptable to the parties. Failing agreement within ten (10) days on the selection of such a procedure, any party to the dispute may request the American Arbitration Association to furnish an arbitrator and administer a final and binding arbitration under its Labor Arbitration Rules. The parties further agree to accept the arbitrator's award as final and binding.

The compensation and expenses of the neutral arbitrator, and any other jointly incurred expenses, shall be borne equally by the Union(s) and Recipient(s), and all other expenses shall be paid by the party incurring them.

In the event of any dispute as to whether or not a particular employee was affected by the Project, it shall be the employee's obligation to identify the Project and specify the pertinent facts of the Project relied upon. It shall then be the burden of the Recipient to prove that factors other than the Project affected the employee. The claiming employee shall prevail if it is established that the Project had an effect upon the employee even if other factors may also have affected the employee (See Hodgson's Affidavit in Civil Action No. 825-71).

(16) The Recipient will be financially responsible for the application of these conditions and will make the necessary arrangements so that any employee affected, as a result of the project, may file a written claim through his/her Union representative with the Recipient within sixty (60) days of the date the employee is terminated or laid off as a result of the Project, or within eighteen (18) months of the date the employee's position with respect to his/her employment is otherwise worsened as a result of the Project. In the latter case, if the events giving rise to the claim have occurred over an extended period, the 18-month limitation shall be measured from the last such event. No benefits shall be payable for any period prior to six (6) months from the date of the filing of any claim. Unless the claim is filed with the Recipient within said time limitations, the Recipient shall thereafter be relieved of all liabilities and obligations related to the claims.

The Recipient will fully honor the claim, making appropriate payments, or will give written notice to the claimant and his/her representative of the basis for denying or modifying such claim, giving reasons therefore. In the event the Recipient fails to honor such claim, the Union may invoke the following procedures for further joint investigation of the claim by giving notice in writing of its desire to pursue such procedures. Within ten (10) days from the receipt of such notice, the parties shall exchange such factual material as may be requested of them relevant to the disposition of the claim and shall jointly take such steps as may be necessary or desirable to obtain from any third party such additional factual materials as may be relevant. In the event the claim is so rejected by the Recipient, the claim may be processed in accordance with the final and binding resolution procedures described in paragraph (15).

- (17) Nothing in this arrangement shall be construed as depriving any employee of any rights or benefits which such employee may have under existing employment or collective bargaining agreements or otherwise; provided that there shall be no duplication of benefits to any employee, and, provided further, that any benefit under this arrangement shall be construed to include the conditions, responsibilities, and obligations accompanying such benefit. This arrangement shall not be deemed a waiver of any rights derived from any other agreement or provision of federal, state or local law.
- (18) During the employee's protective period, a dismissed employee shall, if the employee so requests, in writing, be granted priority of employment or reemployment to fill any vacant position within the jurisdiction and control of the Recipient reasonably comparable to that which the employee held when dismissed, including those in the employment of any entity bound by this arrangement pursuant to paragraph (21) hereof, for which the employee is, or by training or retraining can become, qualified; not, however, in contravention of collective bargaining agreements related thereto. In the event such employee requests such training or re-training to fill such vacant position, the Recipient shall provide for such training or re-training at no cost to the employee. The employee shall be paid the salary or hourly rate provided for in the applicable collective bargaining agreement for such position, plus any displacement allowance to which the employee may be otherwise entitled. If such dismissed employee who has made such request fails, without good cause, within ten (10) days to accept an offer of a position comparable to that which the employee held when dismissed for which the employee is qualified, or for which the employee has satisfactorily completed such training, the employee shall, effective at the expiration of such ten-day period, forfeit all rights and benefits under this arrangement.

As between employees who request employment pursuant to this paragraph, the following order where applicable shall prevail in hiring such employees:

- (a) Employees in the craft or class of the vacancy shall be given priority over employees without seniority in such craft or class;
- (b) As between employees having seniority in the craft or class of the vacancy, the senior employees, based upon their service in that craft or class, as shown on the appropriate seniority roster, shall prevail over junior employees;
- (c) As between employees not having seniority in the craft or class of the vacancy, the senior employees, based upon their service in the crafts or classes in which they do have seniority as shown on the appropriate seniority rosters, shall prevail over junior employees.
- (19) The Recipient will post, in a prominent and accessible place, a notice stating that the Recipient has received federal assistance under the Federal Transit statute and has agreed to comply with the provisions of 49 U.S.C., Section 5333(b). This notice shall also specify the terms and conditions set forth herein for the protection of employees. The Recipient shall maintain and keep on file all relevant books and records in sufficient detail as to provide the basic information necessary to the proper application, administration, and enforcement of this arrangement and to the proper determination of any claims arising thereunder.
- (20) In the event the Project is approved for assistance under the statute, the foregoing terms and conditions shall be made part of the contract of assistance between the federal government and the Grantee and between the Grantee and any Recipient; provided, however, that this arrangement shall not merge into the contract of assistance, but shall be independently binding and enforceable by and upon the parties thereto, and by any covered employee or his/her representative, in accordance with its terms, nor shall any other employee protective agreement merge into this arrangement, but each shall be independently binding and enforceable by and upon the parties thereto, in accordance with its terms.

(21) This arrangement shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto, and no provisions, terms, or obligations herein contained shall be affected, modified, altered, or changed in any respect whatsoever by reason of the arrangements made by or for the Recipient to manage and operate the system.

Any person, enterprise, body, or agency, whether publicly or privately owned, which shall undertake the management, provision and/or operation of the Project services or the Recipient's transit system, or any part or portion thereof, under contractual arrangements of any form with the Recipient, its successors or assigns, shall agree to be bound by the terms of this arrangement and accept the responsibility with the Recipient for full performance of these conditions. As a condition precedent to any such contractual arrangements, the Recipient shall require such person, enterprise, body or agency to so agree in writing. Transit employees in the service area of the project are third-party beneficiaries to the terms of this protective arrangement, as incorporated by reference in the contractual agreement.

- (22) In the event of the acquisition, assisted with Federal funds, of any transportation system or services, or any part or portion thereof, the employees of the acquired entity shall be assured employment, in comparable positions, within the jurisdiction and control of the acquiring entity, including positions in the employment of any entity bound by this arrangement pursuant to paragraph (21). All persons employed under the provisions of this paragraph shall be appointed to such comparable positions without examination, other than that required by applicable federal, state or local law or collective bargaining agreement, and shall be credited with their years of service for purposes of seniority, vacations, and pensions in accordance with the records of their former employer and/or any applicable collective bargaining agreements.
- (23) The employees covered by this arrangement shall continue to receive any applicable coverage under Social Security, Railroad Retirement, Workmen's Compensation, unemployment compensation, and the like. In no event shall these benefits be worsened as a result of the Project.
- (24) In the event any provision of this arrangement is held to be invalid, or otherwise unenforceable under federal, state, or local law, in the context of a particular Project, the remaining provisions of this arrangement shall not be affected and the invalid or unenforceable provision shall be renegotiated by the Recipient and the interested Union representatives of the employees involved for purpose of adequate replacement under Section 5333(b). If such negotiation shall not result in mutually satisfactory agreement any party may invoke the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Labor to determine substitute fair and equitable employee protective arrangements for application only to the particular Project, which shall be incorporated in this arrangement only as applied to that Project, and any other appropriate action, remedy, or relief.
- (25) If any employer of the employees covered by this arrangement shall have rearranged or adjusted its work force(s) in anticipation of the Project, with the effect of depriving an employee of benefits to which the employee should be entitled under this arrangement, the provisions of this arrangement shall apply to such employee as of the date when the employee was so affected.

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Fly America Requirements

Applicability – all contracts involving transportation of persons or property, by air between the U.S. and/or places outside the U.S. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

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

Charter Bus Requirements

These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

Contractor shall comply with 49 USC 5323(d) and (g) and 49 CFR 604, which state that recipients and subrecipients of FTA assistance may provide charter service for transportation projects that uses equipment or facilities acquired with Federal assistance authorized under the Federal transit laws (except as permitted by 49 CFR 604.2), or under 23 U.S.C. 133 or 142, only in compliance with those laws and FTA regulations, "Charter Service," 49 CFR part 604, the terms and conditions of which are incorporated herein by reference.

School Bus Requirements

School Bus Requirements – Applicability – Operational Service Contracts. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000). Pursuant to 69 USC 5323(f) or (g) as amended by MAP-21, 23 USC 133, 23 USC 142, and 49 CFR 605, recipients and subrecipients of FTA assistance shall not engage in school bus operations exclusively for transportation of students and school personnel in competition with private school bus operators unless qualified under specified exemptions. When operating exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, recipients and subrecipients shall not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities. Violations. If a Recipient or any Third Party Participant that has operated school bus service in violation of FTA's School Bus laws and regulations, FTA may: (1) Require the Recipient or Third Party Participant to take such remedial measures as FTA considers appropriate, or (2) Bar the Recipient or Third Party Participant from receiving Federal transit funds.

Energy Conservation

All Contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, stated in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy & Conservation Act.

Clean Water

Applicability – All Contracts and Subcontracts over \$150,000. Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 USC 1251 et seq. Contractor shall report each violation to the recipient and understands and agrees that the recipient shall, in turn, report each violation as required to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. Contractor shall include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance.

Lobbying

Construction/Architectural and Engineering/Acquisition of Rolling Stock/Professional Service Contract/Operational Service Contract/Turnkey contracts over \$150,000

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. 1352, as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, P.L. 104-65 [to be codified at 2 U.S.C. § 1601, et seq.] - Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$150,000 or more shall file the certification required by 49 CFR part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." 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 the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

Access to Records and Reports

Applicability – As shown below. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

- 1. Where the purchaser is not a State but a local government and is an FTA recipient or a subgrantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 18.36(i), contractor shall provide the purchaser, the FTA, the US Comptroller General or their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and contractor records which are pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor shall also, pursuant to 49 CFR 633.17, provide authorized FTA representatives, including any PMO contractor, access to contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a capital project, defined at 49 USC 5302(a)1, which is receiving FTA assistance through the programs described at 49 USC 5307, 5309 or 5311.
- 2. Where the purchaser is a State and is an FTA recipient or a subgrantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 633.17, contractor shall provide the purchaser, authorized FTA representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a capital project, defined at 49 USC 5302(a)1, which receives FTA assistance through the programs described at 49 USC 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000.
- 3. Where the purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is an FTA recipient or a subgrantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 19.48, contractor shall provide the purchaser, the FTA, the US Comptroller General or their authorized representatives, access to any books, documents, papers and record of the contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.
- 4. Where a purchaser which is an FTA recipient or a subgrantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 USC 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 USC 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the purchaser, the Secretary of USDOT and the US Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.
- 5. Contractor shall permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- 6. Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case contractor agrees to maintain same until the recipient, FTA Administrator, US Comptroller General, or any of their authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Re: 49 CFR

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

Federal Changes

All Contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

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

Clean Air

Applicability - All contracts over \$150,000.

- 1) Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations pursuant to the Clean Air Act, 42 USC 7401 et seq. Contractor shall report each violation to the recipient and understands and agrees that the recipient will, in turn, report each violation as required to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.
- 2) Contractor shall include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance.

Recycled Products

All contracts for items designated by the EPA, when the purchaser or contractor procures \$10,000 or more of one of these items during the current or previous fiscal year using Federal funds. The contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

Contract Work Hours & Safety Standards Act

Applicability - Contracts over \$150,000

- (1) Overtime requirements No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in such workweek.
- (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in para. (1) of this section, contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in para. (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in para. (1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages the recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of USDOL withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours & Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in para. (2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts - Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. Prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in this section.

No Government Obligation to Third Parties

Applicability – All contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

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

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

Applicability – All contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000) (1) Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 USC 3801 et seq. and USDOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, 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 FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submittal, or certification, the US Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act (1986) on contractor to the extent the US Government deems appropriate.

- (2) If contractor makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submittal, or certification to the US Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance under the authority of 49 USC 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 USC 1001 and 49 USC 5307(n)(1) on contractor, to the extent the US Government deems appropriate.
- (3) Contractor shall include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance. The clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

Termination

Applicability – All Contracts over \$10,000, except contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher learning, where the threshold is \$150,000

- a. Termination for Convenience (General Provision) the recipient may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to contractor when it is in the recipient's best interest. Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the recipient. If contractor is in possession of any of the recipient's property, contractor shall account for same, and dispose of it as the recipient directs.
- b. Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision) If contractor does not deliver items in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or, if the contract is for services, and contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the

recipient may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a notice of termination to contractor setting forth the manner in which contractor is in default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

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

- c. Opportunity to Cure (General Provision) the recipient in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow contractor an appropriately short period of time in which to cure the defect. In such case, the notice of termination shall state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions If contractor fails to remedy to the recipient's satisfaction the breach or default or any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within ten (10) days after receipt by contractor or written notice from the recipient setting forth the nature of said breach or default, the recipient shall have the right to terminate the Contract without any further obligation to contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude the recipient from also pursuing all available remedies against contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.
- d. Waiver of Remedies for any Breach In the event that the recipient elects to waive its remedies for any breach by contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by the recipient shall not limit its remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.
- e. Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts) the recipient, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the recipient's interest. If the contract is terminated, the recipient shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.
- f. Termination for Default (Supplies and Service) If contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if the contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract.
- If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- g. Termination for Default (Transportation Services) If contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract.

If this contract is terminated while contractor has possession of the recipient goods, contractor shall, as directed by the recipient, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the recipient or its agent. Contractor and the recipient shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount shall be resolved under the Dispute clause. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.

h. Termination for Default (Construction) If contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will insure its completion within the time specified, or any extension, or fails to complete the

work within this time, or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. In this event, the recipient may take over the work and compete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the recipient resulting from contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether or not contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the recipient in completing the work.

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

- 1. Delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God, acts of the recipient, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the recipient, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
- 2. Contractor, within 10 days from the beginning of any delay, notifies the recipient in writing of the causes of delay. If in the recipient's judgment, delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The recipient's judgment shall be final and conclusive on the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clauses.
- If, after termination of contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- i. Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect & Engineering) the recipient may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the recipient's convenience or because of contractor's failure to fulfill contract obligations. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of termination. Upon receipt of the notice, contractor shall (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to the recipient all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process. If termination is for the recipient's convenience, it shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services. If termination is for contractor's failure to fulfill contract obligations, the recipient may complete the work by contact or otherwise and contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the recipient.
- If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- j. Termination for Convenience or Default (Cost-Type Contracts) the recipient may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a notice or termination on contractor. The notice shall state whether termination is for convenience of the recipient or for default of contractor. If termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from the recipient, or property supplied to contractor by the recipient. If termination is for default, the recipient may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid to contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the recipient and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid to contractor. If termination is for the recipient's convenience, contractor shall be paid its contract close-out costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination.
- If, after serving a notice of termination for default, the recipient determines that contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, such as strike, fire, flood, events which are not the fault of and are beyond the control

of contractor, the recipient, after setting up a new work schedule, may allow contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

Government Wide Debarment and Suspension (Non Procurement)

The Recipient agrees to the following: (1) It will comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as adopted and supplemented by U.S. DOT regulations at 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which include the following: (a) It will not enter into any arrangement to participate in the development or implementation of the Project with any Third Party Participant that is debarred or suspended except as authorized by: 1 U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, 2 U.S. OMB, "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180, including any amendments thereto, and 3 Executive Orders Nos. 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension," 31 U.S.C. § 6101 note, (b) It will review the U.S. GSA "System for Award Management," http://https.www.sam.gov,.proxy1.semalt.design if required by U.S. DOT regulations, 2 C.F.R. part 1200, and (c) It will include, and require each of its Third Party Participants to include, a similar provision in each lower tier covered transaction, ensuring that each lower tier Third Party Participant: 1 Will comply with Federal debarment and suspension requirements, and 2 Reviews the "System for Award Management" at http://https.www.sam.gov,.proxy1.semalt.design if necessary to comply with U.S. DOT regulations, 2 C.F.R. part 1200, and (2) If the Recipient suspends, debars, or takes any similar action against a Third Party Participant or individual, the Recipient will provide immediate written notice to the: (a) FTA Regional Counsel for the Region in which the Recipient is located or implements the Project, (b) FTA Project Manager if the Project is administered by an FTA Headquarters Office, or (c) FTA Chief Counsel,

Contracts Involving Federal Privacy Act Requirements

When a grantee maintains files on drug and alcohol enforcement activities for FTA, and those files are organized so that information could be retrieved by personal identifier, the Privacy Act requirements apply to all contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The following requirements apply to the Contractor and its employees that administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government under any contract:

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the Federal Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.
- (2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

Civil Rights Requirements

Applicability - All contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

The Recipient understands and agrees that it must comply with applicable Federal civil rights laws and regulations, and follow applicable Federal guidance, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing. Therefore, unless a Recipient or Program, including an Indian Tribe or the Tribal Transit Program, is specifically exempted from a civil rights statute, FTA requires compliance with that civil rights statute, including compliance with equity in service:

a. Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs. The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will, comply with Federal transit law, 49 U.S.C. § 5332 (FTA's "Nondiscrimination" statute): (1) FTA's "Nondiscrimination" statute prohibits discrimination on the basis of: (a) Race, (b) Color, (c) Religion, (d) National origin, (e) Sex, (f) Disability, (g) Age, or (h) Gender identity and (2) The FTA "Nondiscrimination" statute's prohibition against discrimination includes: (a) Exclusion from participation, (b) Denial of program benefits, or (c) Discrimination, including discrimination in employment or business opportunity, (3) Except as FTA determines otherwise in writing: (a) General. Follow: 1 The most recent edition of FTA Circular 4702.1, "Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," to the extent consistent with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and guidance, and 2 Other applicable Federal guidance that may be issued, but (b) Exception for the Tribal Transit Program. FTA does not require an Indian Tribe to comply with FTA program-specific guidelines for Title VI when administering its

projects funded under the Tribal Transit Program,

- b. Nondiscrimination Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will: (1) Prohibit discrimination based on: (a) Race, (b) Color, or (c) National origin, (2) Comply with: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," 49 C.F.R. part 21, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in the preceding section a, and (3) Except as FTA determines otherwise in writing, follow: (a) The most recent edition of FTA Circular 4702.1, "Title VI and Title VI-Dependent Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," to the extent consistent with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and guidance. (b) U.S. DOJ, "Guidelines for the enforcement of Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964," 28 C.F.R. § 50.3, and (c) Other applicable Federal guidance that may be issued,
- c. Equal Employment Opportunity. (1) Federal Requirements and Guidance. The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will, prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, and: (a) Comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., (b) Facilitate compliance with Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, (c) Comply with Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, and (d) Comply with other applicable EEO laws and regulations, as provided in Federal guidance, including laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, (2) General. The Recipient agrees to: (a) Ensure that applicants for employment are employed and employees are treated during employment without discrimination on the basis of their: 1 Race, 2 Color, 3 Religion, 4 Sex, 5 Disability, 6 Age, or 7 National origin, (b) Take affirmative action that includes, but is not limited to: 1 Recruitment advertising, 2 Recruitment, 3 Employment, 4 Rates of pay, 5 Other forms of compensation, 6 Selection for training, including apprenticeship, 7 Upgrading, 8 Transfers, 9 Demotions, 10 Layoffs, and 11 Terminations, but (b) Indian Tribe. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, exempts Indian Tribes under the definition of "Employer".
- (3) Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for Construction Activities. In addition to the foregoing, when undertaking "construction" as recognized by the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL), the Recipient agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each Third Party Participant, with: (a) U.S. DOL regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and (b) Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note,
- d. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. To the extent authorized by applicable Federal law, the Recipient agrees to facilitate, and assures that each Third Party Participant will facilitate, participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, also referred to as "Disadvantaged"

Business Enterprises" (DBEs), in the Project as follows: 1) Requirements. The Recipient agrees to comply with: (a) Section 1101(b) of MAP-21, 23 U.S.C. § 101 note, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs," 49 C.F.R. part 26, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, (2) Assurance. As required by 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(a), (b) DBE Program Requirements. Recipients receiving planning, capital and/or operating assistance that will award prime third party contracts exceeding \$250,000 in a Federal fiscal year must: 1 Have a DBE program meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, 2 Implement a DBE program approved by FTA, and 3 Establish an annual DBE participation goal, (c) Special Requirements for a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer. The Recipient understands and agrees that each transit vehicle manufacturer, as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on FTA-assisted transit vehicle procurements, must certify that it has complied with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, (d) the Recipient provides assurance that: The Recipient shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT-assisted contract or in the administration of its DBE program or the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26. The Recipient shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 C.F.R. part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. The Recipient's DBE program, as required by 49 C.F.R. part 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the Recipient of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanctions as provided for under 49 C.F.R. part 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq.,

- (2) Exception for the Tribal Transit Program. FTA exempts Indian tribes from the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise regulations at 49 C.F.R. part 26 under MAP-21 and previous legislation,
- e. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex. The Recipient agrees to comply with Federal prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sex, including: (1) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq., (2) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 25, and (3) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a,
- f. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age. The Recipient agrees to comply with Federal prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age, including: (1) The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), 29 U.S.C. §§ 621 634, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, (2) U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, which implements the ADEA, (3) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., which prohibits discrimination against individuals on the basis of age in the administration of programs or activities receiving Federal funds, (4) 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, which implements the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and (5) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a,
- g. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability. The Recipient agrees to comply with the following Federal prohibitions pertaining to discrimination against seniors or individuals with disabilities: (1) Federal laws, including: (a) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in the administration of federally funded programs or activities, (b) The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities, 1 General. Titles I, II, and III of the ADA apply to FTA Recipients, but 2 Indian Tribes. While Titles II and III of the ADA apply to Indian Tribes, Title I of the ADA exempts Indian Tribes from the definition of "employer," (c) The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to individuals with disabilities, (d) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, which now includes disability as a prohibited basis for discrimination, and (e) Other applicable laws and amendments pertaining to access for elderly individuals with disabilities, (2) Federal regulations, including: (a) U.S. DOT regulations,

"Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 C.F.R. part 37, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 27, (c) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities: Passenger Vessels," 49 C.F.R. part 39, (d) Joint U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (U.S. ATBCB) and U.S. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 36 C.F.R. part 1192 and 49 C.F.R. part 38, (e) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 C.F.R. part 35, (f) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 C.F.R. part 36, (g) U.S. EEOC, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1630, (h) U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer Premises Equipment for Persons with Disabilities," 47 C.F.R. part 64, Subpart F, (i) U.S. ATBCB regulations, "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards," 36 C.F.R. part 1194, and (j) FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 C.F.R. part 609, and (3) Other applicable Federal civil rights and nondiscrimination guidance,

- h. Drug or Alcohol Abuse Confidentiality and Other Civil Rights Protections. The Recipient agrees to comply with the confidentiality and civil rights protections of: (1) The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, 21 U.S.C. § 1101 et seq., (2) The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4541 et seq., and (3) The Public Health Service Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 290dd 290dd-2,
- i. Access to Services for People with Limited English Proficiency. Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to promote accessibility of public transportation services to people whose understanding of English is limited by following: 1) Executive Order No. 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," August 11, 2000, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-1 note, and (2) U.S. DOT Notice, "DOT Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' Responsibilities to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Persons," 70 Fed. Reg. 74087, December 14, 2005,
- j. Other Nondiscrimination Laws. Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to: (1) Comply with other applicable Federal nondiscrimination laws and regulations, and (2) Follow Federal guidance prohibiting discrimination.
- k. Remedies. Remedies for failure to comply with applicable Federal Civil Rights laws and Federal regulations may be enforced as provided in those Federal laws or Federal regulations.

Breaches and Dispute Resolution

All contracts over \$150,000

Disputes arising in the performance of this contract which are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the recipient's authorized representative. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of its copy, contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the recipient's CEO. In connection with such appeal, contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the recipient's CEO shall be binding upon contractor and contractor shall abide by the decision. FTA has a vested interest in the settlement of any violation of Federal law including the the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729.

Performance During Dispute - Unless otherwise directed by the recipient, 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 his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, a claim for damages therefore shall be made in writing to such other party within ten days 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 recipient and contractor arising out of or relating to this agreement or its breach will be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the residing State.

Rights and Remedies - 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 recipient 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.

Transit Employee Protective Provisions

Contracts for transit operations except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements. The Recipient agrees that 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) requires employee protective arrangements to be in place as a condition of award of FTA assistance made available or appropriated for FTA programs involving public transportation operations. U.S. DOL recognizes the following categories of arrangements:

(1) U.S. DOL Certification. When its Project involves public transportation operations and is financed with funding made available or appropriated for 49 U.S.C. §§ 5307, 5309, 5312, 5337, or 5339, as amended by Map-21, or former 49 U.S.C. §§ 5308, 5309, 5312, or other provisions of law as required by the Federal Government, U.S. DOL must provide a Certification of employee protective arrangements before FTA may provide financial assistance for the Project. Therefore, the Recipient understands and agrees, and assures that any Third Party Participant providing public transportation operations will agree, that: (a) It must carry out the Project as provided in its U.S. DOL Certification, which contains the terms and conditions that U.S. DOL has determined to be fair and equitable to protect the interests of any employees affected by the Project, (b) It must comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b), and any future amendments thereto, (c)

It will follow the U.S. DOL guidelines, "Guidelines, Section 5333(b), Federal Transit Law," 29 C.F.R. part 215, except as U.S. DOL determines otherwise in writing, (d) It must comply with the terms and conditions of the U.S. DOL certification of public transportation employee protective arrangements for the Project, which certification is dated as identified on the Underlying Agreement, including: 1 Alternative comparable arrangements U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, 2 Any revisions U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, or 3 Both, and (e) It must comply with the following documents and provisions incorporated by reference in and made part of the Underlying Agreement for the Project: 1 The U.S. DOL certification of public transportation employee protective arrangements for the Project, which certification is dated as identified on the Underlying Agreement, 2 The documents cited in that U.S. DOL certification for the Project, 3 Any alternative comparable arrangements that U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, and 4 Any revisions that U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, (2) Special Warranty. When its Project involves public transportation operations, and is financed with funding made available or appropriated for 49 U.S.C. § 5311, as amended by Map-21, for former 49 U.S.C. § 5311 in effect in FY 2012, or a previous fiscal year, or for section 3038 of TEA-21, as amended by section 3039 of SAFETEA-LU, U.S. DOL will provide a Special Warranty for those projects, including projects under the Tribal Transit Program. Therefore, the Recipient understands and agrees, and assures that any Third Party Participant providing public transportation operations will agree, that: (a) It must comply with Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b),

(b) Follow the U.S. DOL guidelines, "Guidelines, Section 5333(b), Federal Transit Law," 29 C.F.R. part 215, except as U.S. DOL determines otherwise in writing, (c) It will comply with the U.S. DOL Special Warranty for its Project that is most current on the date when it executed the Underlying Agreement, and documents cited therein, including: 1 Any alternative comparable arrangements U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, 2 Any revisions U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, or 3 Both, and (d) It will comply with the following documents and provisions incorporated by reference in and made part of the Underlying Agreement: 1 The U.S. DOL Special

Warranty for its Project, 2 Documents cited in that Special Warranty, 3 Alternative comparable arrangements U.S. DOL specifies for the Project, and 4 Any revisions that U.S. DOL has specified for the Project, and (3) Special Arrangements for 49 U.S.C. § 5310 Projects. The Recipient understands and agrees, and assures that any Third Party Participant providing public transportation operations will agree, that although pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5310, and former 49 U.S.C. § 5310 or 5317, FTA has determined that it was not "necessary or appropriate" to apply the conditions of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) to Subrecipients participating in the program to provide public transportation for seniors (elderly individuals) and individuals with disabilities, FTA reserves the right to make the following exceptions: (a) FTA will make case-by-case determinations of the applicability of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) for all transfers of funding authorized under title 23, United States Code (flex funds), and (b) FTA reserves the right to make other exceptions as it deems appropriate.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

Contracts over \$3,500 awarded on the basis of a bid or proposal offering to use DBEs

- a. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs. The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. The recipient's overall goal for DBE participation is listed elsewhere. If a separate contract goal for DBE participation has been established for this procurement, it is listed elsewhere.
- b. The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this contract. 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 municipal corporation deems appropriate. Each subcontract the contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (see 49 CFR 26.13(b)).
- c. If a separate contract goal has been established, Bidders/offerors are required to document sufficient DBE participation to meet these goals or, alternatively, document adequate good faith efforts to do so, as provided for in 49 CFR 26.53.
- d. If no separate contract goal has been established, the successful bidder/offeror will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.
- e. The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the recipient. In addition, the contractor may not hold retainage from its subcontractors or must return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed or must return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after incremental acceptance of the subcontractor's work by the recipient and contractor's receipt of the partial retainage payment related to the subcontractor's work.
- f. The contractor must promptly notify the recipient whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of the recipient.

Prompt payment

Applicability - All contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 30 days from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from the Recipient. The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractors work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the Recipient. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontracts.

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms

All contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms & Conditions required by USDOT, whether or not expressly stated in the preceding contract provisions. All USDOT-required contractual provisions, as stated in FTA Circular 4220.1F, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any request that would cause the recipient to be in violation of FTA terms and conditions.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Testing

Operational service contracts except micro-purchases (\$3,500 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The Contractor agrees to comply with the following Federal substance abuse regulations: a. Drug-Free Workplace. U.S. DOT regulations, "Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Grants), " 49 C.F.R. Part 32, that implements the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 as amended, 41 U.S.C. §§ 8103 et seq., and 2 CFR part 182, b. Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use. FTA Regulations, "Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations," 49 USC 5331, as amended by Map-21, 49 CFR part 40, 49 USC chapter 53, 49 CFR Part 655, to the extent applicable.

Other Federal Requirements

The following requirements are not federal clauses.

Full and Open Competition

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 5325(a) all procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner that provides full and open competition.

Prohibition Against Exclusionary or Discriminatory Specifications

Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal statute or regulations, the contractor shall comply with the requirements of 49 USC 5323(h)(2) by refraining from using any FTA assistance to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

Conformance with ITS National Architecture

Contractor shall conform, to the extent applicable, to the National Intelligent Transportation Standards architecture as required by SAFETEA-LU Section 5307(c), 23 U.S.C. Section 512 and as amended by MAP-21 23 U.S.C. § 517(d), note and follow the provisions of FTA Notice, "FTA National Architecture Policy on Transit Projects," 66 Fed. Reg.1455 etseq., January 8, 2001, and any other implementing directives FTA may issue at a later date, except to the extent FTA determines otherwise in writing.

Access Requirements for Persons with Disabilities

Contractor shall comply with 49 USC 5301(d), stating Federal policy that the elderly and persons with disabilities have the same rights as other persons to use mass transportation services and facilities and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement that policy. Contractor shall

also comply with all applicable requirements of Sec. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (1973), as amended, 29 USC 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 USC 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to persons with disabilities, including any subsequent amendments thereto.

Notification of Federal Participation

To the extent required by law, in the announcement of any third party contract award for goods and services (including construction services) having an aggregate value of \$500,000 or more, contractor shall specify the amount of Federal assistance to be used in financing that acquisition of goods and services and to express that amount of Federal assistance as a percentage of the total cost of the third party contract.

Interest of Members or Delegates to Congress

No members of, or delegates to, the US Congress shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract nor to any benefit arising therefrom.

Ineligible Contractors and Subcontractors

Any name appearing upon the Comptroller General's list of ineligible contractors for federally-assisted contracts shall be ineligible to act as a subcontractor for contractor pursuant to this contract. If contractor is on the Comptroller General's list of ineligible contractors for federally financed or assisted construction, the recipient shall cancel, terminate or suspend this contract.

Other Contract Requirements

To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing Federal requirements, this contract shall also include those provisions attached hereto, and shall comply with the recipient's Procurement Guidelines, available upon request from the recipient.

Compliance with Federal Regulations

Any contract entered pursuant to this solicitation shall contain the following provisions: All USDOT-required contractual provisions, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F, are incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, FTA mandated terms shall control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any grantee request that would cause the recipient to be in violation of FTA terms and conditions. Contractor shall comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including, without limitation, those listed directly or incorporated by reference in the Master Agreement between the recipient and FTA, as 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.

Real Property

Any contract entered into shall contain the following provisions: Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable statutes and USDOT regulations, policies, procedures and directives governing the acquisition, use and disposal of real property, including, but not limited to, 49 CFR 18.31-18.34, 49 CFR 19.30-19.37, 49 CFR Part 24, 49 CFR 5326 as amended by FAST Act, 49 CFR part 18 or 19, 49 USC 5334, applicable FTA Circular 5010, and FTA Master Agreement, as they may be amended or promulgated during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency

To the extent applicable and except to the extent that FTA determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to comply with the policies of Executive Order No. 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," 42 U.S.C. § 2000d 1 note, and with the provisions of U.S. DOT Notice, "DOT Guidance to Recipients on Special Language Services to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Beneficiaries," 70 Fed. Reg. 74087, December 14, 2005.

Environmental Justice

Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to promote environmental justice by following: (1)

Executive Order No. 12898, "Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations," February 11, 1994, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note, as well as facilitating compliance with that Executive Order, and (2) DOT Order 5610.2, "Department of Transportation Actions To Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations," 62 Fed. Reg. 18377, April 15, 1997, and (3) The most recent and applicable edition of FTA Circular 4703.1, "Environmental Justice Policy Guidance for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," August 15, 2012, to the extent consistent with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and guidance.

Environmental Protections

Compliance is required with any applicable Federal laws imposing environmental and resource conservation requirements for the project. Some, but not all, of the major Federal laws that may affect the project include: the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Clean Air Act; the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; the comprehensive Environmental response, Compensation and Liability Act; as well as environmental provisions with Title 23 U.S.C., and 49 U.C. chapter 53. The U.S. EPA, FHWA and other federal agencies may issue other federal regulations and directives that may affect the project. Compliance is required with any applicable Federal laws and regulations in effect now or that become effective in the future.

Geographic Information and Related Spatial Data

Any project activities involving spatial data or geographic information systems activities financed with Federal assistance are required to be consistent with the National Spatial Data Infrastructure promulgated by the Federal Geographic Data Committee, except to the extent that FTA determines otherwise in writing.

Geographic Preference

All project activities must be advertised without geographic preference, (except in A/E under certain circumstances, preference for hiring veterans on transit construction projects and geographic-based hiring preferences as proposes to be amended in 2 CFR Part 1201).

Organizational Conflicts of Interest

The Recipient agrees that it will not enter into a procurement that involves a real or apparent organizational conflict of interest described as follows: (1) When It Occurs. An organizational conflict of interest occurs when the Project work, without appropriate restrictions on certain future activities, results in an unfair competitive advantage: (a) To that Third Party Participant or another Third Party Participant performing the Project work, and (b) That impairs that Third Party Participant's objectivity in performing the Project work, or (2) Other. An organizational conflict of interest may involve other situations resulting in fundamentally unfair competitive conditions, (3) Disclosure Requirements. Consistent with FTA policies, the Recipient must disclose to FTA, and each of its Subrecipients must disclose to the Recipient: (a) Any instances of organizational conflict of interest, or (b) Violations of federal criminal law, involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award, and (4) Failure to Disclose. Failure to make required disclosures can result in remedies for noncompliance, including debarment or suspension.

Federal Single Audit Requirements for State Administered Federally Aid Funded Projects Only Non Federal entities that expend \$750,000 or more in a year in Federal awards from all sources are required to comply with the Federal Single Audit Act provisions contained in U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A 133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non Profit Organizations" (replaced with 2 CFR Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" effective December 26, 2014 as applicable). Non Federal entities that expend Federal awards from a single source may provide a program specific audit, as defined in the Circular. Non Federal entities that expend less

than the amount above in a year in Federal awards from all sources are exempt from Federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in Sec. 215 (a) of OMB Circular A-133 Subpart B--Audits, records must be available for review or audit by appropriate officials of the cognizant Federal agency the New York State Department of Transportation, the New York State Comptrollers Office and the U.S. Governmental Accountability Office (GAO). Non Federal entities are required to submit a copy of all audits, as described above, within 30 days of issuance of audit report, but no later than 9 months after the end of the entity's fiscal year, to the New York State Department of Transportation, Contract Audit Bureau, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12232. Unless a time extension has been granted by the cognizant Federal Agency and has been filed with the New York State Department of Transportation's Contract Audit Bureau, failure to comply with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133 may result in suspension or termination of Federal award payments.

Veterans Preference

Veterans Preference. As provided by 49 U.S.C. § 5325(k), to the extent practicable, the Recipient agrees and assures that each of its Subrecipients:

- (1) Will give a hiring preference to veterans, as defined in 5 U.S.C. § 2108, who have the skills and abilities required to perform construction work required under a third party contract in connection with a Capital Project supported with federal assistance appropriated or made available for 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, and
- (2) Will not 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.

Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles

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 AGENCY.

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

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Identification Number

The municipal project sponsor is required to identify in its accounts all Federal awards received and expended, and the Federal programs under which they were received. Federal program and award identification shall include, as applicable, the CFDA title and number, award number and year, name of the Federal agency, and name of the pass through entity.

CFDA number for the Federal Transportation Administration

Nonurbanized Area Formula (Section 5311) is 20.509. A Recipient covered by the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," (replaced with 2 CFR Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" effective December 26, 2014 as applicable) agrees to separately identify the expenditures for Federal awards under the Recovery Act on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) and the Data Collection Form (SF-SAC) required by OMB Circular A-133. The Recipient agrees to accomplish this by identifying expenditures for Federal awards made under Recovery Act separately on the SEFA, and as separate rows under Item 9 of Part III on the SF-SAC by CFDA number, and inclusion of the prefix "ARRA" in identifying the name of the Federal program on the SEFA and as the first characters in Item 9d of Part III on the SF-SAC.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

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Section a.

Separate contract goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation

The State of New Hampshire, Department of Transportation has established a goal of 1.65% for DBE participation for this contract in lieu of the 10% national goal outlined in Section a. of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Federal Clause.

By signing below the Contractor agrees to comply with the applicable Federal Clauses.

Date: April 13, 2017	
Company Name: VNA at HCS	
Authorized Name: Susan Lowe	
Signature:	Low-
Title: CFO	

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CERTIFICATION AND RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYIN	NG
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No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to in officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and e employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modificatio contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.	offluence an officer or es in connection eral grant, the agreement, and
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The undersigned certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the statements submitted on or with this certification and understands that to 31 U.S.C. Section 3801, et seq., are applicable thereto.	
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Type or print name Susan Lowe	
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GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT)

<u>Instructions for Certification</u>: By signing and submitting this bid or proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the signed certification set out below.

- (1) It will comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 CFR part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 CFR part 180,
- (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:
 - (1) Debarred,
 - (2) Suspended,
 - (3) Proposed for debarment,
 - (4) Declared ineligible,
 - (5) Voluntarily excluded, or
 - (6) 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:
 - (1) 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,
 - (2) Violation of any Federal or State antitrust statute, or
 - (3) 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,

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT)

- 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 1200 and 2 CFR part 180 if it:
 - (1) Equals or exceeds \$25,000,
 - (2) Is for audit services, or
 - (3) Requires the consent of a Federal official, and
- g. It will require that each covered lower tier contractor and subcontractor:
 - (1) Comply and facilitate compliance with the Federal requirements of 2 CFR parts 180 and 1200, and
 - (2) Assure that each lower tier participant in its Project is not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:
 - a. Debarred from participation in its federally funded Project,
 - b. Suspended from participation in its federally funded Project,
 - c. Proposed for debarment from participation in its federally funded Project,
 - d. Declared ineligible to participate in its federally funded Project,
 - e. Voluntarily excluded from participation in its federally funded Project, or
 - f. Disqualified from participation in its federally funded Project, and

3. It will provide a written explanation as indicated on 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.
Certification
Contractor VNA at HCS
Signature of Authorized Official Woon $\frac{4}{13}$ $\frac{13}{201}$
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official Susan Lowe, CFO

Contract agreement between the NH Department of Transportation and VNA at HCS, Inc.

The subrecipient, VNA at HCS, Inc., shall comply with all applicable federal laws, regulations and requirements as outlined in the most recent Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Master Agreement and Federal Certifications and Assurances.

This subaward includes information required by 2 CFR Part 200 as follows:

Subrecipient Name: VNA at HCS, Inc.

Subrecipient DUNS number: 789867421

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN): Section 5311 1385-2017-4

Federal Award Date: 2017

Period of Performance for FFY 2017 award. Start is 7/1/2017 and End Date is 6/30/18

Federal Funds obligated by this action: For SFY 2018 Section 5311 is \$275,568

Total amount of Federal Funds obligated to subrecipient: Section 5311 is \$275,568

Total amount of Federal award: Section 5311 is \$275,568

Federal Award project description, as required to be responsive to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA): Section 5311 project administration, capital preventative maintenance, Operating.

Name of Federal Awarding Agency: Federal Transit Administration

Grantee: New Hampshire Department of Transportation

Contact Information for awarding Official: Patrick C. Herlihy, Director of Aeronautics, Rail & Transit, Patrick.herlihy@dot.nh.gov, 603-271-2449

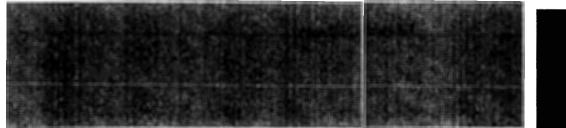
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number, name & dollar amount: FFY 2017 grant award. CFDA 20.509, Non-Urban area formula grant, \$275,568

Is this award research and development? No

Indirect cost rate for the Federal award: N/A

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

June 30, 2016 and 2015

With Independent Auditor's Report

HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. AND AFFILIATE

Reports in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance

June 30, 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate (the Association), which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate Page 2

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the results of their operations, changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 5, 2017 on our consideration of the Association's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of their compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Association's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC
Manchester, New Hampshire

January 5, 2017

HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. AND AFFILIATE

Consolidated Balance Sheets

June 30, 2016 and 2015

ASSETS

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Investments Patient accounts receivable, less allowance for uncollectible	\$	353,455 18,671	\$	570,494 20,454
accounts of \$422,974 in 2016 and \$332,144 in 2015 Other receivables Prepaid expenses	_	2,636,850 627,445 305,691	_	2,719,905 489,279 253,629
Total current assets		3,942,112		4,053,761
Assets limited as to use		11,145,483		10,529,855
Property and equipment, net	_	3,413,668	_	3,446,592
Total assets	\$ _	18,501,263	\$ ₌	18,030,208
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current liabilities Line of credit Accounts payable and accrued expenses Accrued payroll and related expenses Deferred revenue Total current liabilities and total liabilities	\$	120,000 438,794 1,121,247 859,691 2,539,732	\$	338,054 1,053,270 589,393 1,980,717
Net assets Unrestricted Temporarily restricted Permanently restricted	_	15,053,034 674,266 234,231	_	15,171,415 643,845 234,231
Total net assets	_	15,961,531	_	16,049,491
Total liabilities and net assets	\$_	18,501,263	\$_	18,030,208

HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. AND AFFILIATE

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating revenue		
Patient service revenue	\$ 15,458,805	\$ 14 672 512
Provision for bad debt	(392,553)	(565,262)
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Net patient service revenue	15,066,252	14,107,250
Other operating revenue	<u>3,009,828</u>	<u>3,051,572</u>
Total operating revenue	<u> 18,076,080</u>	<u>17,158,822</u>
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Operating expenses	44 725 025	14 247 225
Salaries and related expenses Other operating expenses	14,725,825 4,157,194	14,317,235 3,513,135
Depreciation	4,157,194	· ·
Depreciation	437,303	<u>468,369</u>
Total operating expenses	19,320,328	18,298,739
	(4.044.040)	(4.400.047)
Operating loss	<u>(1,244,248</u>)	<u>(1,139,917</u>)
Other revenue and gains		
Contributions and fundraising income	775,304	326,230
Net assets released for operations	4,246	211,022
Investment income, net	182,973	161,316
Change in fair value of investments	163,344	222,894
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Total other revenue and gains	<u>1,125,867</u>	921,462
Deficit of revenue over expenses and decrease in	£ (440.204\	Φ /040 <i>455</i> \
unrestricted net assets	\$ <u>(118,381</u>)	\$ <u>(218,455)</u>

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Unrestricted net assets Deficit of revenue over expenses and decrease in unrestricted net assets	\$ (118,381)	\$(218,455)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Temporarily restricted net assets	4 400	40.070
Contributions	4,400	48,373
Reclassifications from permanently restricted net assets	40.450	172,637
Investment income	16,152	13,268
Change in fair value of investments	14,115	18,409
Net assets released for operations	(4,246)	(211,022)
Change in temporarily restricted net assets	30,421	41,665
Permanently restricted net assets		
Contributions	-	1,001
Investment income	_	157
Change in fair value of investments	_	266
Reclassifications to temporarily net assets	_	(172,637)
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Change in permanently restricted net assets		(171,213)
Change in net assets	(87,960)	(348,003)
Net assets, beginning of year	16,049,491	16,397,494
Net assets, end of year	\$ <u>15,961,531</u>	\$ <u>16,049,491</u>

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Cash flows from operating activities				
Change in net assets	\$	(87,960)	\$	(348,003)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash	·	, , ,	-	, ,
provided by operating activities				
Depreciation		437,309		468,369
Provision for bad debts		392,553		565,262
Restricted contributions		-		(49,374)
Change in fair value of investments		(177,459)		(241,569)
Investment income restricted for reinvestment		(16,152)		(13,425)
(Increase) decrease in the following assets:				
Investments		1,783		15,598
Patient accounts receivable		(309,498)		(346,071)
Other receivables		(138,166)		(71,949)
Prepaid expenses		(52,062)		43,743
Increase in the following liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		100,740		93,767
Accrued payroll and related expenses		67,977		33,155
Deferred revenue		270,298		19,896
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	489,363		169,399
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of investments		(2,437,987)	((2,125,163)
Proceeds from sale of investments		2,015,970		2,175,836
Capital expenditures		(404,385)		(188,02 <u>3</u>)
Net cash used by investing activities	_	(826,402)	_	(137,350)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from line of credit		120,000		_
Restricted contributions				49,374
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Net cash provided by financing activities	_	120,000		49,374
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(217,039)		81,423
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	_	570,494		489,071
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$_	<u>353,455</u>	\$	570,494

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

June 30, 2016 and 2015

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. is a non-stock, non-profit corporation in New Hampshire whose primary purpose is to act as a holding company and provide management services to its affiliate.

Affiliate

VNA at HCS, Inc., is a non-stock, non-profit corporation in New Hampshire whose primary purposes are to provide home healthcare, hospice and community services.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services, Inc., and its affiliate, VNA at HCS, Inc. (collectively, the Association). They are related through a common board membership and common management. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Association prepares its consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). References to U.S. GAAP in these notes are to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC).

Income Taxes

The Association is a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As a public charity, the Association is exempt from state and federal income taxes on income earned in accordance with its tax-exempt purpose. Unrelated business income is subject to state and federal income tax. Management has evaluated the Association's tax positions and concluded that the Association has no unrelated business income or uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the consolidated financial statements.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Contract Number	Expenditures
Major Programs			
United States Department of Health and Human Services Pass-through State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services Division of Elderly and Adult Services Aging Cluster			
Nutrition Services Incentive Program Special Programs for Aging:	93.053	502-500891	\$ 81,034
Title III, Part C Nutrition Services	93.045 93.045	544-500386 541-500383	113,682 83, 4 77
Title III, Part B Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Center	93.044 93.044 93.044 93.044	566-500918 543-500385 540-500382 512-500352	14,580 948 590
Total Major Program			317,227
Non-Major Programs			
United States Department of Health and Human Services Pass-through State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services Division of Elderly and Adult Services			
Social Services Block Grant	93.667 93.667 93.667 93.667	543-500385 544-500386 566-500918 102-500734	336,623 100,221 21,475 31,602
Total Cluster			489,921
Division of Public Health Services Pass-through State of New Hampshire Bureau of Maternal and Child Health	02.550	E02 E00904	24 520
Temporary Assistance For Needy Families Promoting Safe and Stable Families Bureau of Policy and Performance Management ACA Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home	93.558 93.556	502-500891 502-500891	34,528 6,878
Visiting Program Division for Child, Youth and Families	93.505	102-500731	114,000
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services	93.645	102-500731	73,300

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Concluded)

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Contract Number	Expenditures
United States Department of Agriculture Pass-through State of New Hampshire Department of Education Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	3949-072-2646/2647	14,781
United States Department of Transportation Pass-through State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation			
Formula Grants for Rural Areas	20.509	072-500575	205,639
Total Non-major Programs			939,047
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ <u>1,256,274</u>



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

We have audited, in accordance with the U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the consolidated financial statements of Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate (the Association), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of activities, changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits of the consolidated financial statements, we considered the Association's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did identify deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs under finding numbers 2016-001 and 2016-002, which we considered to be material weaknesses.

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Association's consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of their compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of consolidated financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Association's Response to Findings

The Association's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described under findings 2016-001 through 2016-004 in the accompanying corrective action plan. The Association's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Association's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC Manchester, New Hampshire

January 5, 2017



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Board of Directors
Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited The Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate's (the Association) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Management and Budget *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Association's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2016. The Association's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of federal statues, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Association's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirement for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Association's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Association's compliance.

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion based on our audit, the Association complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on their major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Other Matter

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance, which is required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2016-003. Our opinion on the major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter.

The Association's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our audit is described in the corrective action plan. The Association's response was not subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Association is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Association's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2016-004 to be a material weakness.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2016-003 to be a significant deficiency.

Board of Directors Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services, Inc. and Affiliate

The Association's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompany schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Association's response was not subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the consolidated basic financial statements of Association as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2017, which contained an unmodified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the consolidated basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated basic financial statements or to the consolidated basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the consolidated basic financial statements as a whole.

Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC

Manchester, New Hampshire

February 16, 2017, except for our report on the Schedule of Federal Awards, for which date is January 5, 2017

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Section I. - Summary of Auditor's Results

Consolidated Financial Statements	
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	yes no yesX_ none reported
Noncompliance material to the consolidated financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> no
Federal Awards	
Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	Xyesno Xyesnone reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	_X_ yes no
Identification of major programs:	
Name of Federal Program or Cluster	CFDA Number(s)
Aging Cluster	93.044, 93.045, 93.053
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	X ves no

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Section II. – Findings Relating to the Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Finding Number:

2016-001

Criteria:

Management is responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting.

Condition Found:

We noted that many of the general ledger accounts were not analyzed and reconciled on a monthly basis. As a result, the Association recorded many reconciling adjustments during the audit process.

Context:

During our audit procedures, we performed auditing procedures on selected balance sheet accounts. We were unable to re-perform or test reconciliations for many of the balance sheet accounts tested.

Cause and Effect:

Recommendation:

The cause for the lack of reconciliations was due to the change in the general ledger information systems, which included changing the general ledger account structure and inconsistent mapping of accounts and activity from the old general ledger system to the new one. The CFO responsible for this conversion was terminated during the process. The CFO did not include other staff in the conversion process, which resulted in a large void in trying to prepare the appropriate reconciliations on a timely basis. These monthly reconciliations help ensure timely and accurate interim financial information that can be used to monitor and control operations. In addition, timely reconciliation of accounts is most cost-efficient since reconciliation at a later date is often more difficult and time-consuming. Without periodic account reconciliations, information provided to management may not be accurate and may jeopardize subsequent management decisions. Furthermore, the probability that additional errors will occur and go undetected for some time is greatly increased.

We recommend significant balance sheet accounts be reconciled on a monthly basis. We also recommend that there be cross-training of the Finance Department to ensure that extended absences or position vacancies do not result in reconciliations not being performed. Timely reconciliations should be assured by establishing a realistic schedule and having completion monitored by a designated individual. A staff accounting person (rather than a supervisor) should be assigned to reconcile account balances on a routine basis. This would allow supervisors to perform review activities, thereby improving the control system in the accounting department. In addition, all reconciliations should be reviewed by a designated individual to ensure accuracy and completeness, and to verify that reconciled items have been properly handled. This should be evidenced by having the reviewer initial the reconciliation.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Finding Number:

2016-002

Criteria:

Management is responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining

control surrounding the cash disbursement process.

Condition Found:

We noted that the Association converted to a general ledger information system which includes an electronic check-signing process. The checks are printed with the Chief Executive Officer's signature by the Controller.

Context:

During our audit procedures, we performed a walkthrough of the cash disbursement process which included inquiry and reviewing a disbursement through the process.

Cause and Effect:

The Association does not have procedures in place to ensure that the checks issued are reviewed by an authorized signer after they are printed.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the Chief Executive Officer be responsible for enter her personal passcode to process checks. If this is not practical, at a minimum the all detailed check registers and unopened bank statements should be provided to the Chief Executive Officer for her review and the review should be evidenced. Alternatively a process requiring two employees to electronically sign checks could implemented along with controls over approval for expenditures and account reconciliations.

Section III. – Findings and Questioned Costs for the Major Federal Program

Finding Number:

2016-003

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, pass through State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

Aging Cluster

Criteria:

Management is responsible for reporting accurate and timely financial and

program data, including total program income, to the State

Condition Found:

We noted that the Association was not accurately reporting the financial information on the quarterly submissions to the State of New Hampshire.

Context:

During our audit procedures, we selected two quarterly submissions to the

State of New Hampshire to trace to underlying financial records.

Questioned Costs:

None.

Cause and Effect:

The financial information used to complete the quarterly submissions to the State did not agree to the general ledger because the finance office was not involved in the preparation. The grant is a fee for service arrangement and is not a reimbursement-based grant; therefore, the information submitted to the State is for informational purposes and does not affect the program revenues received by the Association.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Concluded)

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Recommendation:

We recommend that the financial reports should be prepared by the

Finance Office and reconciled to the general ledger and provided to the

Grants Specialist for submission to the State.

Finding Number:

2016-004

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, pass through

State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

Aging Cluster

See finding 2016-001 above.

HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. AND AFFILIATE Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

Year Ended June 30, 2016

NONE



Finding 2016-001 Corrective Action Plan

The new CFO worked to restructure the Finance Department to ensure the skills and experiences needed for the work are in place. The CFO also implemented processes and procedures for the monthly reconciliations of balance sheet accounts. The CFO and Controller are developing a policy and procedure manual that will detail the processes as well as ensure the right checks and balances within the department. In addition, the Controller works with the finance team to ensure proper workflows, adequate training and defines clear expectations. The CFO and Controller meet regularly to ensure the monthly closings and reconciliations stay on track.



Finding 2016-002 Corrective Action Plan

The CFO updated the check signing policy to ensure better controls. The largest change is to remove the possibility of having checks auto-signed in the system. Each payment goes through several stages of review. The Accounts Payable Accountant, the Controller, the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Executive Officer each play a different role. The CFO reviews the invoices prior to processing for payment, the AP Accountant prepares a list of items to pay each week that the Controller reviews and approves, the Controller is the only person who has the key to access to the check stock. Upon the Controller printing the checks, the CFO compares the checks to the list approved by the Controller and the actual invoices. Only then does the CFO sign the checks. The CFO also signs off on the payment list. Should a check be payable to the CFO, the CEO or the Controller signs this check. In the case that the Controller is unable to prepare the checks, the key is given to the CFO who then takes on the role of the Controller and the CEO takes over the role of CFO. The CEO, the CFO and the Controller are the only staff members authorized to sign checks. It is only possible, due to IT controls over access to the check printer, for the CFO or Controller to print the checks. Bank statements are only available electronically and access to them is restricted. Due to staffing limitations, currently the Controller reviews and completes the bank reconciliations, with the CFO acting and backup to this process. As with the balance sheet accounts, the CFO and the Controller are responsible for the reconciliation of all bank accounts.



Finding 2016-003 Corrective Action Plan

To ensure we have the right checks and balances in place, the CFO restructured the department. The position responsible for the grant billing is now a degreed accountant (Grant Accountant) with experience and understanding of the importance of proper allocations and timely reporting. To ensure the Grant Accountant has the information and details she needs, meetings with program directors are scheduled on a regular basis to share information and ensure proper billing and revenue reconciliations. This position now reports to the Controller and works closely with the Manager of Billing who both review the work of the Grant Accountant. The Grant Accountant along with the Controller and the Billing Manager are responsible for the timely submissions of state reporting.



Finding 2016-004 Corrective Action Plan

The new CFO worked to restructure the Finance Department to ensure the skills and experiences needed for the work are in place. The CFO also implemented processes and procedures for the monthly reconciliations of balance sheet accounts. The CFO and Controller are developing a policy and procedure manual that will detail the processes as well as ensure the right checks and balances within the department. In addition, the Controller works with the finance team to ensure proper workflows, adequate training and defines clear expectations. The CFO and Controller meet regularly to ensure the monthly closings and reconciliations stay on track.

HCS/VNA at HCS, Inc. FY2017 Board of Directors

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Terms: 2011-2014, 2014-2017

Vice-Chair: Allen Mendelson

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Treasurer: David Therrien dtherrien@MELANSON.com

Term: 2014-2017

Secretary: JoJi Robertson

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Susan Abert, Esq.

Term: 2015-2018

Mike Chelstowski

Term: 2014-2017

Jane Larmon

Term: 2012-2015, 2015-2018

John Maclean

Term: 2015-2018

John McIntosh

Term: 2013-2016, 2016-2019

Charles Montgomery, MD

Terms: 2008-2011, 2011-2014, 2014-2017

Ann Nunn

Terms: 2014-2015, 2015-2018

Maureen O'Brien

Term: 2011-2014, 2014-2017

Leslie Pitts, MD, FAAFP

Term: 2015-2018

Brian Reilly, MD

Term: 2012-2015, 2015-2018

Katherine J. Snow, Director

at Large

Terms: 2008-2011, 2011-2014, 2014-2017

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Cathy J. Sorenson R.N., BSN, COS-C

LICENSES:

Massachusetts 7/91; Illinois 7/88; Maryland 9/87

Connecticut 1/06

EDUCATION:

University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Nursing

Bachelor of Sciences, Nursing May 1987

Suffolk University-Graduate Certificate in Home Care Management-2008

CERTIFICATION: ANA Certified Medical Surgical Nurse 1990-1995

Chemotherapy Certification, Newton-Wellesley Hospital 1992

OASIS Specialist-4/2005, 10/2008

EMPLOYMENT:

Nov 2013 – Present Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services

President/CEO

Feb 2010- Nov 2013 (VNA at HCS, Inc.)

Director of Clinical Services

Responsible for Corporate Quality Compliance oversight; Care

Coordination activities, Medical Records, Castle Center (adult day care center) and the Maternal Child Health and Home Visiting Programs, and

clinical oversight of the Wellness Program.

May 2009-Feb 2010 VNA Care Network

Case Coordinator

Responsible for day to day operations of multidisciplinary visit staff.

Oversight and audit of OASIS data and utilization of resources.

Caritas Home Care

Sept. 2008-Apr 2009 Branch Manager

Responsible for overall branch operations including management

And oversight of quality, fiscal and resources relative to certified

Home care.

April-Sept 2008

Nursing Supervisor

Responsible for leading and managing a multidisciplinary staff.

Duties include joint visits, record reviews, case conferences and

Visits as needed.

Mar.2007-Mar.2008 Community Health Network, Inc.

Program Manager

Manager responsible for home care staffing agency. Duties include hiring and retention of experienced home care nurses, internal and external customer service development, transformational leadership processes.

Jan.2006-Mar 2007 New England Home Care, Inc. (subsidiary of National Home Health Corp.)

Branch Director

Duties include management, development, quality and fiscal oversight of two branches in large Medicare Certified homecare agency. Position assigned by corporate office to assist in achieving deficiency free state survey.

Sept. 2005-Dec. 2005:SeniorBridge Elder Care

Director Client Services

Duties include oversight of clinical activities with collaborative responsibilities related to sales and marketing of integrated geriatric care model to private pay clients.

Jan.2005-Sept.2005 National Home Health Corporation

Vice President, Nursing; Chief Compliance Officer

Regional position with corporate responsibility for affiliates in NY, NJ, CT and MA. Responsibilities included implementation of quality initiatives, outcome improvement under PPS for Medicare certified branches and compliance with licensing requirements in uncertified branches. Direct report to President, CEO of corporation.

Oct.2004-Dec.2004 Community Health Network

Contract Staff Nurse

Worked at Lifeplans, Inc. as contract employee. Duties included Of nursing assessments for purposes of determing long term care Benefits of insurance beneficiaries.

Oct.2000-Oct.2004 Partners Homecare

Clinical Resource Manager:

Responsible for leadership and management of visiting staff and utilization nurse. Duties included: assuring clinical quality, implementation of clinical initiatives, performance reviews, joint visits and oversight of day to day operations to meet the clinical needs of patients. Responsible for interviewing and hiring of all staff on multidisciplinary team as well as disciplinary review.

Feb 2000-Oct.2000 Caritas Homecare

Nursing Supervisor:

Responsible for day to day operations of home care visiting staff. Included daily assignment of admissions and visits to home care staff. Home visits as needed.

June 1994-Nov.1999 Newton-Wellesley Home Health (acquired by Partners Home Care in 2000)

Visiting Nurse, Clinical Director, Team Leader:

Role was flexible over the years to meet the needs of the agency. Primary responsibility for day-to-day operations, staffing, on call, home health aide oversight, intake and assignment of referrals in a small hospital based agency. On implementation team for Continuous Quality Improvement in Agency.

Oct. 1991-June 1994 Newton Wellesley Hospital-Tanger 4

RN, Oncology Unit.

Responsible for chemotherapy infusions, blood product transfusions, central line care of oncology patients receiving treatment. Care included addressing complex psychosocial needs around potential and actual life threatening illness.

Aug 1989-July 1991 Suburban Hospital-Bethesda, Maryland

Assistant Patient Care Manager 3W.

Duties included: Staff management, quality assurance audits; biannual staff Evaluations, participation on Shared Governance Board, staff development on a 33 bed medical/surgical urology unit in a community teaching hospital.

July 1988-July 1989 Mercy/Burnham Hospitals, Champaign-Urbana, Ill.

Staff Nurse

Responsible for care of variety of patients, including neonatal, ICU, Orthopedics, Oncology and Medical Surgical units. Full-time Float nurse with primary focus on professional development and clinical competence.

July 1987-July1988 Suburban Hospital,

Nurse Clinician I.

New graduate RN on 3W as above with responsibility for pre/post operative care of urological and other medical/surgical clients. Also precepted and mentored other new graduates by year's end; participated on Quality council and Professional Development Council of Shared Governance

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Susan C. Lowe, MSA, CPA, CGMA

CAREER SUMMARY

Proven Executive with expertise in Financial Management and Reporting; Budgeting and Financial Analysis; Strategic Planning and Implementation; Organizational Turnaround; Financing; Forecasting; Risk Assessment; Compliance; Fundraising; Securing Federal and International Funding; Governance; International Operations; Investment Management; Event Planning; Mergers and Organizational Change; IT Management; Human Resources; State and Federal Compliance and Reporting; Auditing; Facilities; Capital Project Management

EDUCATION

Bentley University, McCallum Graduate School of Business, Waltham, Massachusetts, <u>Master of Science in Accountancy/Graduate Certificate in Business Ethics</u>, High Distinction, 2007

Bentley University, Waltham, Massachusetts, Certificate in Accountancy, High Honors, 2001

Harvard University, Extension School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, <u>Graduate Certificate in Management and Administration</u>, 1991

Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Political Science, 1984

Honors: Beta Gamma Sigma, Chartered Global Management Accountant, CPA Licensed in Massachusetts.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief Financial Officer

Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services – Keene, New Hampshire 2016 - present Report to Chief Executive Officer, oversee Financial operations including reporting, billing, financial systems, budgeting, risk management and working with the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors.

Chief Financial Officer

Clarke Schools for Hearing and Speech – Northampton, Massachusetts

2012 - 2016

Reported to President, member of Executive Leadership Team, oversaw Business Office including Accounting and Finance, Facilities, Operations, Financial Aid and Administration for a multi-state private school and human services agency

- Instrumental in turning a \$2 million deficit into a \$1 million surplus in two years
- Has a leadership role on Board/Staff Strategic Planning Committee
- Led team efforts to develop a Five Year IT Strategic Plan and to create "One Clarke" culture
- Staff leader of Finance/Investment, Audit and Property/Facilities Committees of the Board
- Instrumental in creating an Audit Committee, authored Audit Committee Charter
- Presented key operational and financial matters at all Board and Executive Committee meetings
- Established a new investment strategy for endowed funds
- Cut more than 20% from overhead expenses without sacrificing support services
- Secured a private foundation grant for construction of a new school site and mission-critical DOE funding
- Negotiated rate increases for numerous state funded programs
- Redesigned chart of accounts for improved financial reporting
- Successfully lead multiple construction projects and real estate transactions
- Revamped annual budget process for greater accuracy and accountability
- Improved monthly close process, cut time to generate monthly financial reports by more than two weeks
- Decreased Accounts Payable Cycle by more than 10 days, improved credit score by more than 600%
- Oversaw annual audits and federal and state filings reporting, including 990, UFR and CFR, DOE
- Managed student contracts and third party medical billing for more than 1,300 students

Chief Financial Officer

Physicians for Human Rights, Inc. - Cambridge, Massachusetts

2010 - 2012

Reported to CEO, member of Executive Management Team for an international non-profit organization (with offices in MA and DC); led the Finance, Human Resources, Operations and IT Departments.

- Key member of Strategic Planning Team
- Staff leader for Finance, Investment and Audit Committees
- Strengthened Audit Committee, authored Audit Committee Charter
- Presented key financial data and recommendations to Board of Directors and Committee Chairs
- Improved accounting policies and procedures and internal controls
- Secured international and federal funding in excess of two million dollars per year
- Negotiated contracts, managed grant compliance, nurtured vendor relationships
- Managed complex revenue streams including donations, memberships, grants, federal funding
- · Responsible for cash flow and banking relationships, including impacts of foreign currency valuations
- Ensured proper costing and scoping of all projects
- Led rolling budgeting process, managed variances to budget
- · Hired, trained and mentored accounting, human resources and IT teams
- Ensured efficiency of firm through proper execution of IT strategies
- Oversaw annual audit, including A133 audit
- Established socially responsible investment strategies to meet strategic objectives
- Evaluated organizational risk; ensured legal compliance
- Developed dashboards to measure key financial metrics for strategic decision-making

Chief Financial Officer

Children's Communication Center/Beverly School for the Deaf

2008 - 2012

While full time at FSG and PHR, on a part time basis, partnered with Executive Director on financial matters, financial reporting, UFR reporting, secured a \$5.3 million loan for new school building construction.

Chief Financial Officer

FSG, Inc. (formerly Foundation Strategy Group, LLC) - Boston, Massachusetts

2002 - 2010

Reported to CEO, member of Senior Leadership Team for a rapidly growing international non-profit management consulting firm. Led Finance, IT, Human Resources and Operations for multiple locations (MA, CA, WA, DC and Geneva). Awarded for distinguished contribution to the firm for overall performance and for innovation for establishing a carbon neutral program.

- Converted LLC to a 501c3
- Developed tools to measure key financial metrics used in company-wide strategic decision-making
- Analyzed complex performance data for strategic decision-making and project-level performance
- · Enhanced infrastructure and systems to support continued growth
- Directed monthly closes; responsible for the timeliness and accuracy of financial information
- Established, communicated and enforced policies, procedures and internal controls
- Presented financial information at monthly leadership team meetings and quarterly board meetings
- Engaged Leadership Team in financial discussions and decision-making
- Directed annual audit and oversaw accurate and timely completion of all tax documents including 990
- Secured \$100,000 grant for upgrade of telecommunications and video conferencing systems
- Led annual budget process
- Managed foreign currency impacts and tax and compliance for international operations
- Negotiated vendor contracts and financing arrangements
- Oversaw grant and client contract budgeting, compliance, cost allocations and reporting
- Directed multiple office expansions, relocations and capital projects
- Partnered with colleagues on Metrics, Diversity, CRM teams
- · Hired, trained and mentored operations team members at multiple locations
- Led on-time and on-budget upgrade of accounting system
- Negotiated line of credit more than quadrupling funds available

Assistant Controller

Target Software, Inc. /Target Analysis Group - Cambridge, Massachusetts

2001 - 2002

Reported to Controller for two software, fundraising and data mining professional services companies.

Executive Director, Finance and Administration

Academy of Family Mediators - Lexington, Massachusetts

1995 -2000

Reported directly to the Board President, led the finance, operations, governance, human resources and membership areas of an international membership organization.

- Key member of a leadership team from three organizations completed due diligence, authored five-year business plan and received a \$2.5 million dollar implementation grant to support merger
- Designed and carried out member recruiting and retention plans resulting in a 48% increase in membership over five years.
- Reported and recommended solutions for all organizational matters to Board of Directors and other stakeholders
- Staff leader for the Finance, Investment, Audit, Membership, Nominating Committees
- Led efforts to establish a socially responsible investment policy
- Successfully applied for numerous grants to support mission-critical projects and general operations
- Led budgeting process and annual audit
- Published annual membership directory, oversaw company website, managed membership database
- Key participant in the successful running of numerous conferences and fundraising events
- Developed personnel and volunteer policies and procedures and wrote employee handbook
- · Representative on multi-organizational committees addressing Diversity, Ethics, Standards of Practice

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

<u>Finance Committee Member</u>, Community Enterprises, a large, multi-state human services agency focused on empowering disabled persons to achieve independence though employment, 2016 - present

<u>Treasurer</u>, <u>Board of Directors</u>, <u>Strategies for Youth</u>, a growing, national non-profit focused on building better outcomes for police departments and youth, 2014 – present.

<u>Nonprofit Roundtable Leader/Facilitator</u>, Northampton Chamber of Commerce, lead group of non-profit executives, 2014 - 2016.

<u>Finance Committee Member</u>, Remineralize the Earth, an international non-profit focused on sustainable agriculture, lead efforts for new business plan, 2013 - 2015.

<u>Memberships</u>: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, The Massachusetts Society of CPAs (Nonprofit, Women in Accounting and CPAs in Industry Committees), Chief Financial Officers Peer Group, American Woman's Society of CPAs.

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