# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM



## **CONTRACT SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

The following CDBG Contract Special Provisions should be used with all construction contracts, including housing rehabilitation, as applicable, and professional service contracts, where CDBG funds are being used in whole or in part.

#### **CONTRACT SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. **<u>Definitions:</u>** For purposes of this Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:
  - (a) <u>"Assistance"</u> means the CDBG grant funds provided, or to be provided, to the Grantee by the State, pursuant to the Grant Award Agreement.
  - (b) "CDBG" means Community Development Block Grant.
  - (c) "Contract" means the contractual agreement between the Owner and the Contractor to which these Contract Special Provisions have been incorporated and made a part thereof.
  - (d) "Contractor" means the contractor whose services are retained pursuant to the Contract.
  - (e) "Grantee" means the unit of local government designated as the recipient of the Assistance in the Grant Award and signing the acceptance provision of the Grant Award.
  - (f) "HUD" means U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, which is the federal agency that awards and has authority over CDBG funding to the State.
  - (g) "Owner" means the Grantee or Subrecipient, as applicable.
  - (h) "Project" means the project for which the services of the Contractor have been retained pursuant to the Contract which are funded, in whole or in part, with CDBG funds.
  - (i) <u>"State"</u> means the State of South Carolina, or that agency, agency division, or Office of State government which has been delegated the responsibility for administering the CDBG program for the State of South Carolina, as appropriate.
  - (j) "Subrecipient" means the agent of the unit of local government as designated by an agreement.
  - (k) "<u>Labor Surplus Area</u>" means a civil jurisdiction that has an unemployment rate at least 20% above the average unemployment rate for all states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico during the previous two calendar years. The Department of Labor issues the labor surplus area list on a fiscal year basis.

- 2. <u>Prime Contractor Responsibilities</u>: The Contractor is required to assume sole responsibility for the complete effort and enforcement of laws and regulations under this Contract. The Owner will consider the Contractor to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters. All contractors must be registered in SAM and eligible to receive federal contracts.
- 3. <u>Federal and State Laws:</u> The Contractor agrees to comply with all CDBG requirements as well as other federal and state laws, regulations, or Executive Orders. The State reserves the right to add or delete terms and conditions of this Contract as may be required by revisions and additions or changes in the requirements, regulations, and laws governing the CDBG Program.
- 4. **Procurement and Contracting:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, the cost plus a percentage of cost and percentage of construction cost methods of contracting shall not be used. This provision shall supersede any conflicting provision in an executed contract document or agreement funded in whole or in part with CDBG funds.
  - (a) The Grantee shall ensure compliance with the requirements of the Build America, Buy America Act, as amended 41 U.S.C 8301 et. Seq. and all applicable HUD regulations. This domestic content procurement preference requires that all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in covered infrastructure projects are produced in the United States.
- 5. Ownership: Ownership of all real or personal property, acquired in whole or in part with CDBG funds for use on this Project, shall be vested in the Grantee, unless otherwise authorized by the State. When the Grantee determines that the property is no longer required for the purposes of this Project, the Grantee must notify the State and obtain approval for disposition of the property in accordance with applicable guidelines.
- 6. <u>Copyright:</u> Except as otherwise provided in the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Contractor paid through this Contract is free to copyright any books, publications or other copyrightable materials developed in the course of the Project and under this Contract. However, HUD and the State reserve a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use, for Federal government and State purposes:
  - (a) the copyright in any work developed under this Contract; and
  - (b) any rights of copyright to which a subcontractor purchases ownership with grant support.

The Federal government's rights and the State's rights identified above must be conveyed to the publisher and the language of the publisher's release form must insure the preservation of these rights.

7. **Reporting Requirements:** The Contractor agrees to complete and submit all reports, in such form and according to such schedule, as may be required by the State or HUD. Further, the Contractor agrees to require any subcontractors to submit reports that may be required and to incorporate such language in its agreements. Failure to meet deadlines with the required information could result in sanctions.

- **8.** Access to Records: All records with respect to all matters covered by this Contract shall be made available at any time for audit and inspection by HUD, the State or the Grantee or their representatives upon their request.
- **9.** Maintenance of Records: Records for non-expendable property purchased totally or partially with Federal funds must be retained for five years after final close-out of the grant. All other pertinent contract records including financial records, supporting documents and statistical records shall be retained for a minimum of five years after the final close-out report. However, if any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the five-year period, then records must be retained for five years after the litigation, claim or audit is resolved.
- **10.** <u>Confidential Information:</u> Any reports, information, data, etc., given to, prepared by, or assembled by the Contractor under this Contract, which the Grantee or the State requests to be kept confidential, shall not be made available to any individual or organization by the Contractor without prior written approval of the Grantee or the State, as applicable.
- 11. Reporting of Fraudulent Activity: If at any time during the term of this Contract anyone has reason to believe by whatever means that, under this or any other program administered by the State, a recipient of funds has improperly or fraudulently applied for or received benefits, monies or services pursuant to this Contract or any other contract, such information shall be reported immediately to the appropriate authorities.
- **12.** <u>Political Activity:</u> None of the funds, materials, property or services provided directly or indirectly under this Contract shall be used for any partisan political activity, or to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office or otherwise in violation of the provisions of Section 8-13-765 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.
- **13.** Whistleblower Rights: Grantees and subgrantees are required to inform their employees in writing of the employee's whistleblower rights and protections as prescribed under law. 2 CFR 200.217.
- **14.** Conflicts of Interest and Ethical Standards, South Carolina Consolidated

  Procurement Code: The following provisions regarding "conflicts of interest" apply to the use and expenditure of CDBG funds by the Grantee and its subrecipients, including the Contractor.

In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction and services, the more restrictive conflict of interest provisions of the State of South Carolina Ethics, Government Accountability and Campaign Reform Act of 1991 or of the Contractor shall apply.

In cases not governed by the above, such as the acquisition and disposition of real property and the provision of CDBG assistance to individuals, businesses and other private entities, the following provisions shall apply: except for eligible administrative or personnel costs, generally no employee, officer, agent, or board member with a real or apparent conflict of interest may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by the Federal award of CDBG funds. This conflict of interest provision applies to employees who exercise, or have exercised, any function or responsibilities with respect to CDBG activities assisted herein, or, are in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information, who may obtain a financial interest or benefit from the activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder either for themselves

or those with whom they have family or business ties during their tenure or for one year thereafter. See 2 CFR 200.318(c).

Should any governmental entity, contractor, subcontractor, employee, board member or official know or perceive any breach of ethical standards or conflict of interest under the CDBG grant awarded to the Grantee or any other CDBG grant, they shall immediately notify in writing the Department of Commerce, Grants Administration, 1201 Main Street, Suite 1600, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201. If the State finds any circumstances that may give rise to a breach of ethical standards or conflict of interest, under any grant, they shall notify the participating governmental entity and the State Ethics Commission as applicable. The State may undertake any administrative remedies it deems appropriate, where there is a breach of ethical standards or conflict of interest under the regulations governing the CDBG Program and the State policies.

- **15.** <u>Applicable Law:</u> In addition to the applicable Federal laws and regulations, this Contract is also made under and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State. By execution of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of the State for all matters arising or to arise hereunder, including but not limited to performance of said Contract and payment of all licenses and taxes of whatever kind or nature applicable hereto.
- 16. <u>Limitation of Liability:</u> The Contractor will not assert in any legal action by claim or defense or take the position in any administrative or legal procedures that he is an agent or employee of the Owner. This provision is not applicable to contracts for CDBG administration services where the Contractor is a Council of Government. The State shall not be liable for failure on the part of the Grantee or any other party to perform all work in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. The Grantee agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State from and against all claims, demands, judgments, damages, actions, causes of actions, injuries, administrative orders, consent agreement and orders, liabilities, penalties, costs, and expenses of any kind whatsoever, including, without limitation, claims arising out of loss of life, injury to persons, property, or business or damage to natural resources in connection with the activities of the Grantee and any other third parties in a contractual relationship with the Grantee, or a subsidiary, whether or not occasioned wholly or in part by any condition, accident, or event caused by any act or omission of the State as a result of the Assistance.
- **17.** <u>Legal Services:</u> No attorney-at-law shall be engaged through the use of any funds provided under this Contract in any legal action or proceeding against the State, the Grantee, any local public body or any political subdivision.
- **18.**Contract: If any provision in this Contract shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in effect. In the event such invalid or unenforceable provision is considered an essential element of this Contract, the parties shall promptly negotiate a replacement provision, which addresses the intent of such provision.
- **19.** Amendments: Any changes to this Contract affecting the scope of work of the Project must be approved, in writing, by the Owner and the Contractor and shall be incorporated in writing into this Contract. Any amendments of the original contract must have written approval by the State prior to execution.
- **20.** <u>Termination for Convenience:</u> This Contract may be terminated for convenience in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200.

- **21. Sanctions:** If the Contractor fails or refuses to comply with the provisions set forth herein, the State or Owner may take any or all of the following actions: cancel, terminate or suspend in whole or in any part the contract, or refrain from extending any further funds to the Contractor until such time as the Contractor is in full compliance.
- **22.** <u>Subcontracting:</u> If any part of the work covered by this Contract is to be subcontracted, the Contractor shall identify the subcontracting organization and the contractual arrangements made therewith to the Owner and to the State. All subcontracts must be approved by the Owner and the State to insure they are not debarred or suspended by the Federal or State governments and to insure the Owner and the State understand the arrangements.
- 23. Subcontracting with Small and Minority Firms, Women's Business Enterprise and Labor Surplus Areas: It is national policy to award a fair share of contracts to disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs), small business enterprises (SBEs), minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women's business enterprises (WBEs). Accordingly, affirmative steps must be taken to assure that DBEs, SBEs, MBEs and WBEs are utilized when possible as sources of supplies, equipment, construction and services. Affirmative steps shall include the following:
  - (a) Including qualified DBEs, SBEs, MBEs and WBEs on solicitation lists;
  - (b) Assuring that DBEs, SBEs, MBEs and WBEs are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
  - (c) Whenever economically feasible, dividing total requirements into smaller tasks or quantities so as to permit maximum participation by DBEs, SBEs, MBEs and WBEs;
  - (d) Where the requirement permits, establishing delivery schedules which will encourage participation by DBEs, SBEs, MBEs and WBEs;
  - (e) Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, Minority Business Development Agency, the State Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Community Services Administration as required; and
  - (f) Requiring the subcontractor, if any, to take the affirmative actions outlined in (1) (5) above.
- **24. Debarment Certification:** The Contractor must comply with Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 regarding Federal debarment and suspension regulations prior to entering into a financial agreement for any transaction as outlined below.
  - (a) Any procurement contract for goods and services, regardless of type, expected to equal or exceed the Federal procurement small purchase threshold (which is \$100,000 and is cumulative amount from all federal funding sources).
  - (b)Any procurement contract for goods and services, regardless of amount, under which the Contractor will have a critical influence on or substantive control over the transaction.
  - In addition, no contract may be awarded to any contractors who are ineligible to receive contracts under any applicable regulations of the State.
- **25.** <u>South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act</u>: The Owner and the Contractor are required to comply with the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act (signed June 4, 2008) requiring verification of lawful presence in the United States of any alien eighteen

years of age or older who has applied for state or local public benefits, as defined in 8 U.S.C. Section 1621, or for federal public benefits, as defined in U.S.C. Section 1611.

**26.** Equal Employment Opportunity: The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the State.

In carrying out the Project, the Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor must take affirmative action to ensure that applicants for employment are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment following: advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the State setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause. The Contractor shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor shall incorporate the foregoing requirements of this paragraph in all of its subcontracts for the Project unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the State issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the State advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitment under this Section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the State, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by HUD and the State for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this Contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further State government contracts or federally assisted construction contract procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rules, regulations, or orders of the State, or as otherwise provided by law.

- **27.** <u>Age Discrimination:</u> In accordance with 45 CFR, Parts 90 and 91, the Contractor agrees there shall be no bias or age discrimination as to benefits and participation under this Contract.
- 28. Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974: No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any

program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under the CDBG program of the State.

- **29.** Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended: The Contractor agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall, solely by reason of his disability, be denied the benefits, or be subjected to discrimination including discrimination in employment, any program or activity that receives the benefits from the Assistance.
- 30. Section 3, Compliance and Provision of Training, Employment and Business Opportunities: The work to be performed under this Contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, (12 USC § 1701u). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3 shall, to the greatest extent feasible be directed to low and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.

The parties to this said Contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this Contract, the parties to this Contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the 24 CFR Part 75 regulations.

The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this Section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions; the qualifications for each; and the name and location of person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin. The Contractor agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontract with any subcontractor where the Contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75.

The Contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions including training positions, that are filled (1) after the Contractor is selected but before this Contract has been executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR Part 75 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the Contractor's obligations under 24 CFR Part 75.

The Contractor agrees to submit such reports as required to document compliance with 24 CFR Part 75. Noncompliance with the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this Contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

**31.** <u>Lead-Based Paint:</u> The construction or rehabilitation of residential structures with any portion of the Assistance is subject to the HUD Lead-Based Paint regulations found at 24 CFR Part 35. Any grants or loans made by the Grantee for the rehabilitation of residential

structures with any portion of the Assistance shall be made subject to the provisions for the elimination of lead-base paint hazards under subpart B of said regulations, and the Grantee shall be responsible for the inspections and certifications required under Section 35.14(f) thereof.

- **32.** Compliance with Air and Water Acts: (Applicable to construction contracts and related subcontracts exceeding \$100,000) This Contract is subject to the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 USC § 7401 et seq., the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act), as amended, 33 USC § 1251 et seq., and the regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to 40 CFR Part 15, as amended from time to time, and the South Carolina Stormwater Management and Sediment Reduction Act. In particular, the following are required:
  - (a) A stipulation by the Contractor or subcontractor that any facility to be utilized in the performance of any nonexempt contract or subcontract is not listed on the List of Violating Facilities, issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to 40 CFR § 15.20.
  - (b) Agreement by the Contractor to comply with all the requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 USC § 7414) and Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 USC § 1318) relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports and information, as well as all other requirements specified in said Sections 114 and 308, and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder.
  - (c) A stipulation that as a condition of award of contract prompt notice will be given of any notification received from the Director, Office of Federal Activities, EPA, indicating that a facility utilized or to be utilized for the contract under consideration is to be listed on the EPA list of Violating Facilities.
  - (d) Agreement by the Contractor that the Contractor will include or cause to be included the criteria and requirements in these subparagraphs (1) through (4), in every nonexempt subcontract and requiring that the Contractor will take such action as the State may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.

In no event shall any amount of the Assistance be utilized with respect to a facility which has given rise to a conviction under section 113(c)(1) of the Clean Air Act or Section 309(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

**33.** <u>Federal Labor Standards Provisions</u>: (Applicable to construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 or residential rehabilitation contracts involving more than eight units)

The Project or program to which the construction work covered by this Contract pertains is being assisted by the United States of America and the Federal Labor Standards Provisions as set forth on Attachment 1 are included in this Contract pursuant to the provisions applicable to such Federal assistance. These provisions must be complied with or sanctions will be instituted.

#### **Attachment 1**

- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Labor Relations form HUD-4010 (06/2009) ref. Handbook 1344.1
  - Minimum Wages. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the **A.** 1. (i) site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached thereto and made a part thereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under Section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(1)(iv); also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs, which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period.

Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification of the time actually work therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification an wage rates conformed under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible, place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- (ii) (a) Any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
- (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
- (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (b) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and HUD or its designee agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by HUD or its designee to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so

advise HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)

- (c) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and HUD or its designee do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), HUD or its designee shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of HUD or its designee, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1214-0140.)
- (d) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to subparagraphs (1)(ii)(b) or (c) of this paragraph, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.
- (iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- (iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the Contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)
- 2. Withholding. HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other Federal-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice trainee or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension or any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased. HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for an on account of the contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due. The Comptroller General shall make such disbursements in the case of direct Davis-Bacon Act contracts.
- **3.** (i) Payrolls and basic records. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work preserved for a period of three

years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in Section 1 (b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions make and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in Section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment of provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices and trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Numbers 1215-0140 and 1215-0017.)

- (ii) (a) the contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to HUD or its designee if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to HUD or its designee. The payrolls submitted shall set our accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i). This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents (Federal Stock Number 029-005-00014-1), U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget Under OMB Control Number 1215-0129.)
- (b) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays for supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:
- (1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(3)(i) and that such information is correct and complete;
- (2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR Part 3;
- (3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.
- (c) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by subparagraph A.3.(ii)(b).

- (d) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 231 of Title 31 of the United States Code.
- (iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under subparagraph A.3.(i) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or its designee or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

### 4. Apprentices and Trainees.

(i) **Apprentices**. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Training Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to his entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as state above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ration permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved

- (ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every Trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.
- (iii) Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under 29 CFR Part 5 shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30.
- **5.** Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3 which are incorporated by reference in this contract.
- **6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor will insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in subparagraphs 1 through 11 of this paragraph A and such other clauses as HUD or its designee may by appropriate instructions require, and a copy of the applicable prevailing wage decision, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in this paragraph.
- **7. Contract termination; debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.
- **8.** Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
- **9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause

- include disputes between the contractor (or any if its subcontractors) and HUD or its designee, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.
- **10.** (i) Certification of Eligibility. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1) or to be awarded HUD contracts or participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.
- (ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a government contract by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1) or to be awarded HUD contracts or participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.
- (iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001. Additionally, U.S. Criminal Code, Section 1 01 0, Title 18, U.S.C., "Federal Housing Administration transactions", provided in part: "Whoever, for the purpose of . . . influencing in any way the action of such Administration..... makes, utters or publishes any statement knowing the same to be false..... shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both."
- 11. Complaints, Proceedings, or Testimony by Employees. No laborer or mechanic to whom the wage, salary, or other labor standards provisions of this Contract are applicable shall be discharged or in any other manner discriminated against by the Contractor or any subcontractor because such employee has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding or has testified or is about to testify in any proceeding under or relating to the labor standards applicable under this Contract to his employer.
- **B.** Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The provisions of this paragraph B are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" include watchmen and guards.
- (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 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 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violations of the clause set forth in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, 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 sub paragraph (1) of this paragraph.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the

Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contract, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act which is held by the same prime contractor such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in subparagraph (2)of this paragraph.

- (4) **Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in subparagraph (1) through (4) of this paragraph and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this paragraph.
- **C. Health and Safety.** The provisions of this paragraph C are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000.
- (1) No laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to this health and safety as determined under construction safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor by regulation.
- (2) The Contractor shall comply with all regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Title 29 Part 1926 and failure to comply may result in imposition of sanctions pursuant to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 USC 3701 et. seq.
- (3) The Contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract so that such provisions will be binding on each subcontractor. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Labor shall direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.