INDEFINITE QUANTITY INDEFINITE DELIVERY
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

AND

GSG CONSULTANTS, INC.
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This INDEFINITE QUANTITY INDEFINITE DELIVERY ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT ("Master Agreement" or "Agreement") is made as of this 1st day of April 2014 between the CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY, a municipal corporation of the City of Chicago, State of Illinois (hereinafter, the "CHA"), with its offices located at 60 E. Van Buren St., Chicago, Illinois 60605 and GSG CONSULTANTS, INC. (hereinafter, the "Consultant") an Illinois corporation, with offices located at 855 W. Adams, Suite 200, Chicago, IL 60607.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the CHA is engaged in the development and operation of safe, decent and sanitary housing throughout the City of Chicago for low-income families in accordance with the United States Housing Act of 1937, 42 U.S.C. §1437 et seq.; regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), and the Illinois Housing Authorities Act. 310 ILCS 10/1 et seq., as amended, and other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the CHA desires the services of full service professional environmental consulting services firms to serve as environmental consultants ("ECs") to the CHA as it undertakes redevelopment, capital construction, property acquisition, rehabilitation and modernization activities in conjunction with its Capital Improvement Program and CHA’s Plan Forward.; and

WHEREAS, the CHA issued Request for Proposal No. 13-01207 (the "RFP") on or about October 17, 2013 to solicit multiple environmental consultants to provide environmental consulting services ("ECS") through the use of this Master Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Consultant, in response to the RFP, submitted its proposal on or about November 12, 2013 representing and warranting that it is highly qualified and competent to provide the required ECS for each CHA Project and has the necessary expertise and capacity to complete any ECS assigned to it by Task Order in accordance with this Master Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Consultant agrees to the terms and conditions of this Agreement which will govern future Projects and Task Orders that may be assigned to the Consultant under this Master Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the CHA will, from time to time, formally request that the Consultant respond to Request(s) for Services ("RFS") and make proposals in various forms (each a "Proposal", collectively "Proposals") in response to such RFS; and

WHEREAS, the Consultant is ready, willing and able to provide the ECS required hereunder and respond to CHA’s RFS as further set forth herein.
NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and the terms and conditions set forth herein, the CHA and the Consultant agree as follows:

ARTICLE I INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

1.1 **Incorporation of Recitals.** The recitals set forth above, are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

1.2 **Definitions.** The following words and phrases have the following meanings for purposes of this Agreement:

“Account Manager” means the Key Employee of the Consultant who is assigned to the CHA account upon execution of this Agreement and who is the primary contact for the CHA for all Requests for Service.

“Agreement” means this Master Agreement, including all exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it by reference, and all amendments, modifications or revisions made in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

“Archeological Laws” shall mean, but are not limited to, the Archeological and Paleontological Resources Protection Act (20 ILCS 3435), Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440, as amended) the Department of Natural Resources Subchapter a: Lands Part 370 The Protection of Archeological Resources (17 IAC 370 et seq., as amended), Illinois Historic Preservation Agency Part 4170 and Part 4190 Rules, as amended, for the Protection, Treatment and Inventory of Unmarked Human Burial Sites and Unregistered Grave (17 IAC 4170 and 4190 et seq.), Missing Persons Identification Act (50 ILCS 722 et seq.) and any other federal, state, local or municipal laws, statutes, regulations, rules or ordinances imposing liability or establishing standards of conduct for protection of archeological resources or human remains.

“Archeological Resource” refers to any material remains of past human like or activities that are of archeological interest and at least forty (40) years of age, as well as the physical site, location, or context in which those remains are found.

“Bid Package” means all the documents distributed to potential bidders, including, but not limited to, the Invitations for Bids, Request for Proposals, Form of Contract, General Conditions, Special Conditions, Technical Specifications, Plans and Specifications, Updated Cost Estimates and any other documents distributed to Bidders by the CHA with the foregoing documents.

“Business Day” means Monday through Friday, 8:00AM – 5:00PM, excluding federal or State holidays.

“Capital Improvement Program or CIP” means the CHA’s overall program to provide the complete renovation or rehabilitation of its assets during the Plan for Transformation, a subsection of which are activities conducted under the Modernization Program.
“CCD” means CHA’s Capital Construction Division.

“Certificate of Completion” means a certificate issued by the CHA to the Consultant upon completion of final inspection of the Work and approval thereof at the conclusion of the Close-out Phase.

“Certificate of Substantial Completion” means a certificate issued by the EC to the CHA establishing the Date of Substantial Completion of the Project.

“CHA Project Manager” shall be that CHA employee or designee so identified in each Request for Service, or otherwise identified by the CHA with reasonable notice.

“Chicago Office of the Underground Construction” – City of Chicago Department that requires the review of underground installations.

“CHA’s Representative” means the construction management (“CM”) firm, person, or entity engaged by the CHA, under a separate contract with the CHA, to plan, coordinate, and oversee design and construction management activities, including the activities of the EC.

“Contract-Year” means the 12 month period following the start date of the Agreement and each subsequent 12 month term of the Agreement.

“Contracting Officer” means the person authorized by the CHA’s Board of Commissioner’s to execute contracts with third parties, and his/her delegated designee.

“Cost Proposal” means the Consultant’s fixed fee cost proposal prepared and submitted by the Consultant in response to a RFS. An accepted Cost Proposal will be deemed the as the Budget for a Project to a RFS for which it was submitted.

“Deliverables” shall include but are not limited to various written studies, reports, supporting documentation, lab reports, forms, processes, plans, designs, data, data-bases, briefs, field notes, compilations, system plans, flow charts, work flow charts, drawings, maps, photographs and negatives/digital files, files, records, computer printouts, tapes and the masters thereof, prototypes estimates, memoranda, papers, supplies, notes, recordings, videotapes, pictorial reproductions, designs or other graphic representations, spreadsheets, software, training materials, other materials and, work product generated and assembled either in hard copy or by electronic media, pursuant to the work contracted for by the CHA hereunder and prepared by the Consultant or its subcontractors under this Agreement and any such other or additional Deliverables which may be set forth in an RFS, which may be required in hard copy and/or electronic format.

“Director of Procurement and Contracts” means the CHA’s Director of Procurement and Contracts and any representative duly authorized to act on his/her behalf.

“Documentation” shall mean all documentary materials such as, but not limited to, work papers, configurations, reports, manuals, and other work product in hard copy or electronic format, prepared by or on behalf of the Consultant, its subcontractors or agents in connection
with providing the Services.

“Environmental Documents” means all of the Reports, Plans and Specifications, addenda, change orders and modifications, and all other prints, models, designs, computations, sketches, test data, photographs, renderings, plans, shop and accepted proposal drawings, and other materials relating to, or contemplated by, the services performed by the Consultant or by any engineer, professional or professional consultants to, or engaged by the Consultant in connection with the Project.

“Engineer” means the person or entity engaged by the Consultant as either an employee or sub-contractor, and who is a Registered Professional Engineer, licensed in Illinois.

“Firm Fixed Fee” means the fixed fee for the Scope of Work required under a Task Order.

“Fully Loaded Hourly Rates” shall mean that hourly rate by particular type of worker, which includes all of the Consultant’s expenses, overhead and indirect costs, profit and fees.

“Historic Artifacts” includes all grave artifacts and/or associated historical, cultural or archeological resources.

“Illinois Site Remediation Program refers to the voluntary remediation program as defined under 35 IAC 740 and 742 et seq., as amended.

“Key Personnel” shall mean those positions and job titles and the persons assigned to those positions and job titles in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.9 of this Agreement.

"Master Agreement" shall mean the indefinite quantity indefinite delivery environmental consulting services master agreement that has been entered into by the CHA and each of the environmental consulting services firm who have been awarded a contract under RFP No. 13-01207.

“Notice-to-Proceed” means a written acceptance of a Work Plan and Cost Proposal by the Director of Procurement and Contracts and direction to commence the Scope of Work under the Work Plan.

“ODM” means CHA’s Office of Development Management.

”Professional Archeologist – An individual that meets the qualification specified under Illinois Historic Preservation Agency Part 4190 Rules for the Protection, Treatment and Inventory of Unmarked Human Burial Sites and Unregistered Grave (17 IAC 4190.405 (et seq., as amended), Secretary of the Interiors “Professional Qualification Standards (48 FR 44 44738-9, as amended)”, and the approval of IHPA. Under the definition of professional archeologist (17 IAC 4190.405 (et seq., as amended), are defined three levels of technical qualifications for various types of investigations.

“Project” means all consulting and engineering services described herein, and further
described and defined in a Task Order related to the Work the Consultant will perform at the Site pursuant to the terms of the Task Order issued under the Contract.

"Project Documents" means this Master Agreement, the Request for Service, the Task Order, which includes the accepted and executed Work Plan, which also includes a schedule of work and Deliverables, the Proposal and Fee Proposal in the format specified in the RFS.

"Project Manager" means the Consultant’s staff member indicated on each Work Plan as the person who will direct and coordinate the execution of the Work Plan and who will be the primary contact with the Department on the work plan.

"Properties" means those certain parcels of land located in the City of Chicago, described in the Task Order.

"Proposal" means the response to a RFS that includes the Consultant’s Work Plan and Cost Proposal.

"Request for Services" (RFS) means a written request from the CHA to the pre-qualified pool of environmental consultants for each environmental consultant to prepare and submit a Work Plan and Fee Proposal for Services related to a specific Project.

"Scope of Work" means a clear, concise description of the work to be performed pursuant to a Task Order and this Agreement (including, but not limited to, the Consultant's design data and criteria, site drawings, technical specifications, environmental reports, and all CHA provided information.

"Services" means, collectively, the environmental consulting services or “ECS”, duties and responsibilities described in the Project Documents and all Work necessary to perform a Scope of Work or to carry them out fully as required and in accordance with the terms of the Task Order and the Agreement.

"Site Plan" means the plan of each Site and the environmental work required therein to be prepared, executed and/or documented by the Consultant pursuant to a Task Order issued under the Contract.

"Special Conditions" means the Special Conditions of the Task Order issued under the Contract.

"Subcontractor" means any person or entity with whom the Consultant contracts to provide any part of the Services. It also includes subcontractors of any tier, suppliers and material men, whether or not in privity with the Consultant.

"Substantial Completion" means the milestone attained when the status of the Work, or a designate portion thereof, is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that the CHA may occupy the Work or designated portion thereof for the use for which it is intended, and as certified by the EC.
"Task Order" means the order issued by the CHA that sets forth the description of the Project, scope of work, timeframe for performance and fixed fee for the EC’s Services to be performed in accordance with the term and conditions of the Contract Agreement.

"Work" means all labor, materials, and services required to be provided by the Consultant to execute and/or document the Services in accordance with the Task Order and the Agreement.

"Work Breakdown Structure" or "WBS" means a fundamental technique for defining and organizing the total scope of a Project, using a hierarchical structure illustrating all superior and subordinate tasks.

"Work Plan" means the detailed description of the Services to be provided by the Consultant in a response to a RFS. Unless otherwise indicated, references to a Work Plan will be deemed to include the applicable Cost Proposal.

"Work Product" shall include, but not be limited to various written studies, reports, supporting documentation, lab reports, forms, processes, plans, designs, data, data-bases, briefs, field notes, compilations, system plans, flow charts, work flow charts, drawings, maps, photographs and negatives/digital files, files, records, computer printouts, tapes and the masters thereof, prototypes, estimates, memoranda, papers, supplies, notes, recordings, videotapes, pictorial reproductions, designs or other graphic representations, spreadsheets, software, training materials, other materials and, work product generated and assembled either in hard copy or by electronic media, pursuant to the work contracted for by the CHA hereunder and prepared by the Consultant or its subcontractors under this Agreement and any such other or additional Deliverables which may be set forth in an RFS, which may be required in hard copy and/or electronic format.

1.3 Acronyms

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<td>BTEX</td>
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ARTICLE II CONSULTANT’S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 **Scope of Services.** The Scope of Services that the Consultant may be requested to provide under this Agreement are environmental consulting services required to provide all necessary environmental assessment, remediation and engineering services in connection with CHA’s redevelopment, construction, rehabilitation and modernization activities modernization activities as are usually and customarily performed, rendered or done by environmental consultants preliminary to and in connection with redevelopment, capital construction, property acquisition, disposition, rehabilitation and modernization activities of dwelling and non-dwelling buildings, facilities or sites (hereinafter collectively referred to as “ECS” or the “Services”).

2.2 **Statement of Work.** The Services that the Consultant shall provide under this Agreement pursuant to Task Orders are described in Exhibit I, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

2.3 **Requests for Services/Task Orders Process.** From time to time, the CHA may issue Requests for Services to the group of environmental consultants who have been awarded Indefinite Quantity Indefinite Delivery Environmental Consulting Services Master Agreements under RFP 13-01207. The RFS will describe the Scope of Work that will be governed by this Agreement. The Consultant, if selected to perform the Services pursuant to a RFS, shall act as a prime contractor to perform the Services for the Project described in the Task Order. The Consultant will be required to work with ODM or CCD staff to satisfy the contracting objectives of awarded Task Orders.

A. **Requests for Services.** Each RFS for ECS issued under the Agreement will be competitively solicited, except as provided below in paragraph C.ii and will be submitted to the Consultant by ODM or CCD through the Department of Procurement and Contracts.

i. Each RFS will set forth:

a. A Scope of Work;
b. A schedule of work;
c. Any necessary background information needed for the Project;
d. The required completion date.

ii. The Consultant acknowledges and agrees that:
   a. It will proceed to the location of the proposed Work site, as required, to review the Work site
   b. the CHA is under no obligation to issue any work pursuant to a RFS;
   c. the level of Services requested may vary by Project;
   d. the CHA has entered into similar environmental consulting master agreements with other qualified environmental consultants pursuant to RFP-13-01207 and may award work on a competitive basis pursuant to a RFS at the sole discretion of the Director of Procurement and Contracts.
   e. Except as provided in section 2.3.C below, each RFS will be competitively solicited to all environmental consultants awarded a Master Agreement under RFP-13-01207, and the Consultant and each other environmental consultant shall be given a fair opportunity to compete for a Task Order unless such Task Order would cause the not-to-exceed amount of compensation set forth in this Agreement or the other environmental consultants' Master Agreements to be exceeded.

B. Response to RFS.

i. The Consultant shall respond to each RFS and shall submit a Fixed Fee Cost Proposal and Work Plan to the Department of Procurement and Contracts that describes as applicable:
   a. The Consultant's approach to performing the required Scope of Work; and
   b. A Work Breakdown Structure, if applicable, for completion of the Scope of Work and a list of the Deliverables to be provided; and
   c. A schedule for completion of the Scope of Work by the required completion date, if applicable; and
   d. A staffing schedule and list of subcontractors to be utilized; and
   e. A Cost Proposal; and
   f. The requisite MBE/WBE/DBE and Section 3 Utilization Plans; and
   g. Certificate of applicable Insurance(s).

ii. All Work Plans submitted in response to a RFS shall include a schedule of milestone events, Work and Deliverables, personnel and equipment to be assigned to the task, a list of subcontractor(s) as appropriate, the schedule of task reporting, and recommendations for other or future work not included in the Task Order as appropriate.

iii. The Consultant’s Cost Proposal and Work Plan shall conform to the requirements of the RFS and the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Consultant’s Cost Proposal and Work Plan will constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of 180 calendar days after receipt by the CHA. After receiving all proposals, the CHA, in
its sole discretion, may choose not to award a Task Order. Any costs associated with the preparation of Cost Proposals/Work Plans will not be reimbursable under this Agreement or resulting Task Order.

iv. **Deadlines for Submittal of Proposals and Work Plans.** The Consultant shall submit Cost Proposals and Work Plans in response to a RFS within five (5) business days of the issuance of the RFS, provided, however, Cost Proposals and Work Plans in response to a RFS for industrial hygiene activites shall be submitted within three (3) business days of the issuance of the RFS. Requests for information ("RFIs") shall be due on the second business day following the issuance of the RFS. Failure to provide a Cost Proposal and Work Plan on a timely basis may result in rejection of the Proposal/Work Plan.

v. The Consultant is expected to respond to each RFS, unless otherwise specified by the CHA’s Contracting Officer. Submitting a Cost Proposal/Work Plan after the submission date required by the RFS will be considered a failure to respond to the RFS. If the Consultant chooses not to respond to a RFS, a written notice with the reason it is not responding must be submitted to the CHA by the deadline to respond to such RFS. CHA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to accept or reject the Consultant’s written notice. A rejected notice will count as a failure to respond to the RFS.

vi. The Consultant may elect not to respond to up to a total of three (3) RFS during each Contract-Year of the Agreement, which will not be considered a failure to respond.

vii. Failure to respond to four (4) RFSs during a Contract-Year shall be a material breach of the Agreement and will constitute grounds to terminate the Agreement for Cause.

C. **Task Orders and Selection Criteria:**

i. The CHA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to reject all Cost Proposals and Work Plans, or negotiate Cost Proposals and Work Plans, and may request best and final offers from all environmental consultants who have submitted Proposals in response to a RFS. A Task Order will be awarded, pursuant to a RFS, to the responsive and responsible environmental consultant with the lowest negotiated price, except as set forth below.

ii. **Exceptions to Task Order Selection Criteria.**
CHA’s Contracting Officer will provide the Consultant and each of the other environmental consultants a fair opportunity to be considered for a Task Order unless the Assignment of the Task Order to the Consultant would result in the maximum amount of compensation set forth in their Master Agreement being exceeded or unless one of the following exceptions applies:
a. The agency’s need for the supplies or services is so urgent that providing a fair opportunity to an environmental consultant would result in unacceptable delays;
b. The order must be issued on a non-competitive basis in the interest of economy and efficiency because it is a logical follow-on to a Task Order already issued, provided that all awardees were given a fair opportunity to be considered for the original award of the Task Order; or
c. It is necessary to place a Task Order to satisfy an environmental consultant’s minimum guarantee in its contract.

iii. Any proposed utilization of the Exceptions to Task Order Selection Considerations must have the prior written approval of the CHA’s Director of Procurement and Contracts.

iv. The CHA’s acceptance of a Cost Proposal and Work Plan submitted in response to a RFS will be demonstrated by the issuance of a Task Order and a Notice-to-Proceed issued by CHA’s Contracting Officer, or his/her designee, which directs the Consultant to perform the required Scope of Work in accordance with the Project Documents. The Consultant will not commence the Scope of Work, and the CHA will not be liable for any costs incurred by or for payments to the Consultant, without a Notice-to-Proceed so executed.

v. All Task Orders issued under the Agreement are subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement. In the event of a conflict among the terms and conditions of the Agreement, RFS, Task Order, and an approved Work Plan, the conflict will be interpreted in the following order of precedence: (1) the Master Agreement; (2) the RFS; (3) the Task Order; and (4) the approved Work Plan. Any terms and conditions in a Work Plan submitted by the Consultant, which otherwise conflicts with, is inconsistent with, or addresses matters not addressed in this Master Agreement are void and of no effect on the CHA (notwithstanding any other approval contemplated or provided for under this Master Agreement), unless specifically accepted in writing by the Contracting Officer as an amendment to this Master Agreement for the specific Task Order only.

vi. A RFS and Task Order will be considered “issued” when the CHA deposits the RFS or Task Order in the mail, or when they are sent by facsimile or by electronic commerce methods (e.g. e-mail). A RFS or Task Order may not be issued orally.

vii. By acceptance of Consultant’s Proposal and issuing a Notice-to-Proceed in response to a particular RFS, any special conditions for the particular RFS not otherwise covered by this Agreement, this Agreement will be deemed to have been amended to include any such special conditions pursuant to Section 9.3, but with respect to that Project/Task Order only. The Consultant will not be required to respond to Requests for Services that are not within the scope of this Agreement.

D. Claims for Additional Costs. In the event that additional Services not described in the Task Order are discovered to be necessary or are requested by the CHA, the Consultant
must submit a Task Order modification ("TOM") on a form approved by the CHA for those additional Services within seven (7) calendar days of said discovery or request. Upon receipt of written approval of the TOM from CHA’s Contracting Officer, the Consultant shall proceed to complete the additional Services as set forth in the TOM. The Consultant shall not be entitled to any additional costs for performance of Work set forth in a TOM unless written approval of the TOM has been provided to Consultant by CHA’s Contracting Officer. In no event may the Consultant request a TOM or make any claims against the CHA for equitable adjustments, additional costs, direct or indirect; or fees after completion of a Task Order assignment.

E. Reduction of Task Order Compensation. In the event that any portion of the Scope of Work to be performed under a Task Order, the costs for which were included in the Consultant's accepted Cost Proposal and became part of the Task Order, is determined by the CHA or the Consultant to no longer be necessary, the CHA shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment to the Task Order's compensation amount to reduce the Consultant's compensation for the Scope of Work that was determined or deemed to no longer be necessary. The Consultant shall upon the request of the CHA, or on its own initiative, prepare a TOM for a reduction of the Task Order compensation amount for approval by the CHA's Contracting Officer.

F. The Consultant acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement and any Task Order issued hereunder may be subject to HUD approval, and that if such approval is required, the Consultant will not perform Services relating to a Task Order until such approval is obtained.

ARTICLE III CONSULTANT'S STANDARD OF CONDUCT

3.1 Standard of Performance/Governing Regulations/Guidelines

A. The Consultant shall perform all Services required of it under this Agreement with the degree of skill, care and diligence normally shown by an entity performing services of a scope, purpose and magnitude comparable with the nature of the Services to be provided under the Contract. The Consultant shall at all times use its best effort to assure high quality, timeliness, efficiency and creativity in rendering and completing their services. The Consultant agrees that performance of the Services in a satisfactory manner shall include quick response to the CHA's needs. Accordingly, the Consultant shall return all telephone calls and respond to all electronic mail on a timely basis, which will in no case exceed one business day.

B. The Consultant will perform or cause to be performed all Services required by the Agreement and a RFS in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, in accordance with any federal, state and local laws, statutes, rules and regulations applicable to the Services to be provided under the Agreement, and to the reasonable satisfaction of ODM or CCD. The Deliverables must meet the time frame contained in the Work Plan associated with that Deliverable. The Consultant must at all times act in
the best interests of the CHA consistent with the professional and fiduciary obligations assumed by it in entering into this Agreement and will assure timely and satisfactory delivery and completion of its Services, including but not limited to Deliverables.

C. The Consultant shall maintain at all times any required licenses and certifications during the performance of the Contract. Failure to have or maintain such licenses or certifications shall constitute a material breach of contract.

D. Qualified Personnel. The Consultant must assure that all Services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment must be accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed, if required by law. The Consultant covenants with the CHA to furnish its best professional expertise and judgment in furthering the CHA's interests.

E. Efficiency. The Consultant agrees to furnish efficient business administration and supervision to render and complete the Scope of Work within the agreed upon Fee and on time.

F. All work to be performed under the Agreement shall be in compliance with all pertinent federal, state and local statutes, ordinances, regulations, rules, and guidelines, including, but not limited to:

i. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) 35 IAC 732, Illinois LUST Program, as amended.
ii. IEPA 35 IAC 740, Illinois Site Remediation Program (SRP), as amended.
iii. IEPA 35 IAC 742, Tiered Approach to Corrective Action Objectives (TACO), as amended.
ix. HUD regulations, 24 CFR Part 35 and and HUD Lead-Based Paint Interim Guidelines for Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing, June 1995 edition and subsequent revisions thereto.
xi. Archeological and Paleontological Resources Protection Act (20 ILCS 3435),
xii. Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440)
xiii. Department of Natural Resources Subchapter a: Lands Part 370
xiv. The Protection of Archeological Resources (17 IAC 370 et seq.),
xv. Illinois Historic Preservation Agency Part 4170 and Part 4190
xvi. Rules for the Protection, Treatment and Inventory of Unmarked Human Burial Sites and Unregistered Grave (17 IAC 4170 and 4190 et seq.),
xvii. Missing Persons Identification Act (50 ILCS 722 et seq.)
xviii. Protection of Historic Properties (36 CFR 800 et seq.)

3.2 Deliverables/Work Product.

In carrying out the Services pursuant to a Task Order, the Consultant must prepare or provide Deliverables/Work Product. Partial or incomplete Deliverables or Work Product may be accepted for review only when required for a specific and well-defined purpose and when consented to in advance by ODM. Such Deliverables or Work Product may not be considered as satisfying the requirements of this Agreement. Partial or incomplete Deliverables or Work Product will in no way relieve Consultant of its commitments hereunder.

3.3 Ownership of Deliverables, Work Product, Documents, Records and Reports

A. The Consultant acknowledges that all Deliverables or Work Product belong solely to the CHA, and the Consultant shall retain no rights therein. The Deliverables or Work Product is conclusively deemed by the parties as “works made for hire” within the meaning and purview of Section 101 of the United States Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §101 et seq. (hereinafter, “the Act”), and the CHA will be the copyright owner thereof and of all aspects, elements and components thereof in which copyright can subsist.

To the extent the Deliverables or Work Product do not qualify as “work made for hire,” Consultant hereby irrevocably grants, conveys, bargains, sells, assigns, transfers and delivers to the CHA, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the copyrights and all U.S. and foreign copyright registrations, copyright applications and copyright renewals therefor, and other intangible, intellectual property embodied in or pertaining to the Work contracted for under this Agreement, free and clear of any liens, claims or other encumbrances, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Consultant will execute assignments in the forms attached if requested by the CHA, without additional compensation. Consultant will document all work performed for the CHA and will turn such documentation over to the CHA on completion of the Task Order hereunder or earlier, if requested by the CHA. Consultant will make no use of the Deliverables or Work Product generated during the course of its work for the CHA during or after the term of this Agreement except to perform the work requested by the CHA.

To the extent the CHA is unable to effectively or economically use the Deliverables or Work Product without also using rights, which are the subject of patent applications, patents, copyrights or other statutory protection owned by Consultant, Consultant grants to the CHA, a royalty-free, irrevocable, worldwide, non-exclusive license to make, have
made, sell, use, reproduce, disclose, and publish such rights as necessary to fully utilize the Deliverables or Work Product.

In addition, Consultant agrees that it will not do anything contrary to the CHA’s ownership in the Deliverables or Work Product or which might impair the value of such ownership. Consultant agrees to cooperate with the CHA in executing all documentation requested by the CHA to enable the CHA to perfect its right in and to the Deliverables or Work Product.

B. All Deliverables or Work Product and CHA Documents provided to, or prepared or assembled by the Consultant in connection with the performance of the Consultant’s Services under this Agreement shall be the property of the CHA. The Consultant shall establish precautions against the destruction of all such CHA Documents and shall be responsible for any loss or damage to the CHA Documents while in the Consultant's possession or use and the Consultant shall be responsible for restoring such CHA Documents at its sole expense. Except as provided above, if any CHA Documents destroyed while in the Consultant's possession are not restorable, the Consultant shall be responsible for any loss suffered by the CHA on account of such loss or damage.

C. The Consultant shall deliver or cause to be delivered all Work Product and/or CHA Documents, including, but not limited to, all Deliverables prepared for the CHA under the Agreement, to the CHA promptly in accordance with the time limits prescribed in the Agreement, or if no time limit is specified, then upon reasonable demand thereof or upon termination or completion of a Task Order or expiration of the Agreement hereunder. In the event of the failure by Consultant to make such delivery, then and in that event, the Consultant shall pay to the CHA any damages the CHA may sustain by reason thereof. The Consultant shall maintain all CHA Documents not previously delivered to the CHA for a period of three (3) years after final payment made in connection with the Agreement.

D. The Consultant shall maintain its books, records, documents, and other materials related to the performance of the Agreement for a period of three (3) years following the expiration or termination of the Agreement and after final payment has been made and all other pending matters are closed, and adopt accounting procedures and practices sufficient to reflect properly all costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred or anticipated to be incurred for or in connection with the performance of the Consultant's Services under the Agreement. The Consultant shall maintain its accounting system, books and records in a manner that complies with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), consistently applied throughout.

E. The provisions of Section 2.07 shall survive the expiration or termination of the Agreement.

F. The Consultant shall flow down the provisions of this Section 2.07 titled “Ownership of Work Product, Documents, Records and Reports” to its subcontractors at every tier.
3.4 **Meetings.** The Consultant will meet regularly with the CHA Project Manager to discuss matters relating to the Project. In addition, at the CHA's request, the Consultant must attend other meetings with the CHA or other interested parties designated by the CHA.

3.5 **Section 3 and MBE/WBE/DBE Participation and Requirements**

A. **Section 3 – Compliance:** The CHA has determined that the contract awarded under this solicitation is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u, (Section 3), and Title 24 of Subchapter B, Part 135 – Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons, 24 CFR 135.3. Section 3 Compliance requires that any contract or subcontract entered into for the benefit of public housing residents shall require that, to the greatest extent feasible, economic opportunity in the form of training, employment, contracting, and other economic opportunities arising from the expenditure of public housing assistance for housing rehabilitation and housing construction be directed to low- and very low-income persons.

1. **Section 3 - Clause**

   i. 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 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). 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.

   ii. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, 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 Part 135 regulations.

   iii. The Consultant agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the Consultant has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor 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 the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
iv. The Consultant agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, 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 subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The Consultant will not 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 135.

v. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the Consultant is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR Part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135.

vi. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

2. Section 3 Compliance Goals

i. Consultants and their subcontractors may demonstrate compliance by committing to employ section 3 residents and by subcontracting with section 3 business concerns in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 135.

A Section 3 Business concern is a business concern under HUD Regulations:

(a) 51 percent or more owned by section 3 residents; or
(b) Whose permanent, full-time employees include persons, at least 30 percent of whom are currently section 3 residents, or within three years of the date of first employment with the business concern were section 3 residents; or
(c) That provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25 percent of the dollar award of all subcontracts to be awarded to business concerns that meet the qualifications set forth in paragraphs (1) or (2) in this definition of “section 3 business concern.”

ii. Consultant and sub-contractors may demonstrate compliance with the requirements for contracting with Section 3 Business Concerns by committing to award to Section 3 Business Concerns at least 10 percent of the total dollar amount of the contract awarded to the contractor for building trades work for maintenance, repair modernization or development of public housing, or for building trades work arising in connection with housing rehabilitation, housing construction and other public construction and at least 3 percent of the total dollar amount of all other Section 3 covered contracts.
iii. In evaluating compliance with 24 CFR Part 135, contractors and their subcontractors have the burden of demonstrating to the greatest extent feasible their ability or inability to meet the goals set forth in 24 CFR Part 135 for providing training, employment and contracting opportunities to section 3 residents and section 3 business concerns.

iv. Consultants and their subcontractors are also encouraged to provide other economic opportunities to train and employ section 3 residents including, but not limited to, use of “upward mobility”, “bridge” and trainee positions to fill vacancies, and hiring section 3 residents in part-time positions (24 CFR 135.40).

3. Documenting and Reporting

i. Consultant agrees to comply with the above Section 3 requirements in accordance with the Consultant’s Section 3 Utilization Plan, which shall be prepared by the Consultant for each response to a RFS and agreed to by CHA. CHA shall not be required to agree to the Consultant’s Utilization Plan until the Consultant meets its burden to establish that it will comply with 24 CFR Part 135 and otherwise comply with CHA’s Section 3 Policy (see http://www.thecha.org/pages/section_3/65.php or the copy included in the solicitation) as may be required.

ii. The Consultant and its subcontractors shall provide all required compliance data with respect to Consultant’s Section 3 requirements to the CHA via CHA’s electronic system available at https://cha.diversitycompliance.com/. The Consultant and its subcontractors shall be responsible for responding to any requests for data or information by the noted response due dates, and shall check the electronic system on a regular basis to manage contact information and contract records. The Consultant shall also be responsible for ensuring that all subcontractors have completed all requested items with complete and accurate information and that their contact information is current.

4. This Section 3 Contract Provision shall flow down to each subcontract at every tier.

B. MBE/WBE/DBE Compliance. Consultant agrees to comply with the CHA’s Minority and Women Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (“MBE/WBE/DBE”) requirements in accordance with the CHA’s MBE/WBE/DBE Policy (see http://www.thecha.org/pages/mbwbe_dbe/36.php or the copy included in the RFP).

C. Documenting and Reporting. The Consultant and its subcontractors shall provide all required compliance data with respect to Consultant’s MBE/WBE/DBE to the CHA via CHA’s electronic system available at https://cha.diversitycompliance.com/. The Consultant and its subcontractors shall be responsible for responding to any requests for data or information by the noted response due dates, and shall check the electronic system on a regular basis to manage contact information and contract records. The
Consultant shall also be responsible for ensuring that all subcontractors have completed all requested items with complete and accurate information and that their contact information is current.

D. **Requests for Services MBE/WBE Participation and Section 3 Requirements.** Prior to issuance of the Notice to Proceed for a Task Order, the Consultant shall provide a MBE/WBE/DBE Utilization Plan and a Section 3 Utilization Plan, acceptable to the CHA, stating the degree of MBE/WBE/DBE participation and level of commitment to CHA’s Section 3 Policy that meets the CHA’s policies, and thereafter, throughout the term of this Agreement and any Task Order issued pursuant thereto, fulfill the stated levels of participation and commitment. The Section 3 Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE/DBE Utilization Plan accepted by the CHA will be incorporated by reference as if specifically set forth into each assigned Task Order and the Consultant shall comply with its agreed commitments as set forth therein.

3.6 **Confidentiality.**

A. The Consultant agrees that all Deliverables, reports, documents and information prepared, assembled, received or encountered by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement ("Confidential Information") are to remain confidential and to be used solely for the purposes of meeting the objectives of this Agreement. The Consultant agrees that such Confidential Information shall not be made available to any individual or organization other than the CHA, HUD or courts of competent jurisdiction or administrative agencies pursuant to a subpoena without the prior written approval of the CHA. In the event the Consultant is presented with a subpoena regarding such Confidential Information, which may be in the Consultant’s possession by reason of this Agreement, the Consultant must immediately give notice to the CHA’s Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel with the understanding that the CHA will have the opportunity to contest such process by any means available to it before the Confidential Information is submitted to a court or other third party. The Consultant, however, is not obligated to withhold the delivery of such Confidential Information beyond the time ordered by the court or administrative agency, unless the subpoena or request is quashed or the time to produce is otherwise extended.

B. The Consultant will not (except as required by applicable law, regulation or legal process, and only after compliance with paragraph 1 above), without CHA’s prior consent, disclose to any person the fact that the Confidential Information exists or has been made available, that any transaction with the CHA is being considered, or that discussions or negotiations are taking or have taken place concerning any such transaction with the CHA or any term, condition or other fact relating to such a transaction or such discussions or negotiations, including, without limitation, the status thereof.

C. The Consultant acknowledges that remedies at law may be inadequate to protect the CHA against any actual or threatened breach of this confidentiality provision by Consultant and without prejudice to any other rights and remedies otherwise available to the CHA, the Consultant agrees to the granting of injunctive relief in CHA’s favor without proof of
actual damages. In the event of litigation relating to this confidentiality provision, if a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final, non-appealable order that this confidentiality provision has been breached by the Consultant, then the Consultant will reimburse the CHA for costs and expenses (including, without limitation, legal fees and expenses) incurred in connection with all such litigation.

3.7 Adequate Staffing. The Consultant will, immediately upon receiving a fully executed copy of this Agreement, assign during the term of this Agreement and any extension of it, an Account Manager who will be the Consultant’s designated person to receive Requests for Services and to submit Cost Proposals and Work Plans. When responding to an RFS, the Consultant will identify an adequate staff of competent personnel who will be fully equipped, licensed (as appropriate), be available as needed, qualified and assigned to perform the Scope of Work for the term of the Project assigned by Task Order. The Consultant will identify such personnel and their positions in a staffing schedule which will be included in each Work Plan.

3.8 Key Personnel

A. Minimum Requirements. The Consultant’s Key Personnel under this Agreement will consist of an Account Manager who will be the contact person for the CHA and such other personnel as may be named for specific projects in the respective Work Plans. Changes in the assignment of committed key personnel due to commitments not related to this Agreement are prohibited without the CHA’s approval. Key personnel may also include other critical members of the Project as specified in the Work Plans.

B. No Substitutions. The Consultant will not reassign or replace Key Personnel without the written consent of the CHA, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

3.9 Audit Requirement. The CHA retains an irrevocable right to independently or, through a third party, audit the Consultant’s books and records pertaining to this Agreement and any Task Orders issued pursuant thereto, and disallow any inappropriate billings upon written notice to the Consultant.

3.10 No Limitation on CHA’s Rights. No provision in this Agreement granting the CHA a right of access to Deliverables and accounting records is intended to impair, limit or affect any right of access to such records which the CHA would have had in the absence of such provisions.

3.11 Failure to Comply. If Consultant’s performance of the Scope of Work or any part thereof under a Task Order fails to comply with the above performance standards, Consultant will, at its own expense, perform again all such Scope of Work that did not comply with the performance standards as a direct or indirect result of such failure. The duty to perform again is in addition to and not a limitation on any other remedies available to the CHA under this Agreement, at law, or in equity.

3.12 General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts. HUD’s General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts (HUD form 5370-C (10/2006)) ("General
3.13 **Patents and Copyrights.** The CHA reserves an exclusive, perpetual and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for CHA or HUD purposes, including, but not limited to commercial exploitation: (a) the copyright, patent or other form of intellectual property right, claim or interest in any work developed or discovered in the performance of the Services under this Agreement, (whether tangible or intangible) and (b) any rights, copyright, patent or other form of intellectual property right, claim or interest to which the Consultant purchases ownership with funds awarded pursuant to this Agreement for the purpose of meeting the objectives of this Agreement.

3.14 **Subcontracts and Assignments.** Unless otherwise provided for herein, or previously disclosed in Consultant’s Proposal, Consultant shall not subcontract, assign or otherwise delegate all or any part of its obligations under this Agreement or any part hereof without the prior written approval of the CHA. Any attempted subcontract, assignment or delegation shall be void and of no legal effect.

Consultant shall not transfer or assign any funds or claims due or which may become due under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the CHA. Any attempted transfer or assignment of any contract funds, either in whole or in part, or any interest therein, which shall be due or become due to Consultant without such prior written approval of the CHA shall be void and of no legal effect. The CHA expressly reserves the right to assign or otherwise transfer all or any part of its rights or interests hereunder.

3.15 **Religious Activities.** In connection with this Agreement, Consultant agrees that:

A. Consultant shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of religion and shall not limit employment or give preference in employment to persons on the basis of religion; and

B. Consultant shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of religion when rendering the Services hereunder and shall not limit such Services or give preference to persons on the basis of religion.

3.16 **Drug-Free Workplace.** Consultant shall establish procedures and policies to promote a "Drug-Free Workplace." Consultant shall notify all employees of its policy for maintaining a "Drug-Free Workplace" and the penalties that may be imposed for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace. Further, Consultant shall notify the CHA if any of its employees are convicted of a criminal drug offense in the workplace no later than ten (10) days after such conviction.

3.17 **Force Majeure.** Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, the Consultant shall not be liable or held responsible for any failure to perform or for delays in
performing its obligation under the Agreement, including but not limited to, the Scope of Work set forth in a Task Order that result from circumstance or causes beyond Consultant's reasonable control, including without limitation, fire or casualty, acts of God, strikes or labor disputes, war or violence, or any lay, order or requirement of any government agency or authority.

ARTICLE IV TERM OF AGREEMENT

4.1 Term of Agreement. This Agreement shall commence on April 1, 2014 and shall continue and remain in effect for a period of 2 years through March 31, 2016 or until the Agreement is terminated in accordance its terms, whichever occurs first. At the Agreement's expiration date, the Agreement's terms and conditions shall continue to remain in effect with respect to any Task Order assigned to the Consultant until all Scope of Work required under the Task Order have been completed in accordance with their respective terms and all Work has been accepted by the CHA.

4.2 Contract Extension Options. The CHA, at its sole discretion, may extend this Agreement for two additional one (1) year option periods, subject to approval of the CHA’s Board of Commissioners, if required. Any extension shall be under the same terms and conditions as this original Agreement. The Agreement shall be modified to reflect the time extension in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.3 of this Agreement.

4.3 Time is of the Essence. The Consultant will complete the Scope of Work pursuant to a Task Order within the time limits required under this Agreement and as provided in a RFS, the resulting Task Order and the Project Documents. The Consultant acknowledges that sometimes deadlines for the Scope of Work are dictated by the requirements of agencies or events outside the control of the CHA, that failure by the Consultant to meet these deadlines may result in economic or other losses to the CHA and that in those circumstances, TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.

ARTICLE V COMPENSATION

5.1 Amount of Compensation. This is an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity contract as defined in the HUD Procurement Handbook (7460.8 Rev.-2) and as such, the Consultant shall be entitled to earn a minimum amount of $50,000.00 under this Agreement. The maximum not-to-exceed amount of compensation payable to the Consultant under the Agreement is $1,000,000.00. The Consultant acknowledges that the CHA is not obligated to issue a Task Order to the Consultant for more than the minimum amount set forth above, and that in order to receive more than the minimum amount, the Consultant will have to be awarded Task Orders on a competitive basis as set forth in Article II above. Upon the award of a Task Order and issuance of a Notice-to-Proceed to the Consultant, the CHA shall pay the Consultant the agreed fee to provide the Scope of Work as set forth in the Task Order. The Consultant agrees to and waives any and all claims for payment of Work that would result in billings beyond the agreed upon fee established in a Task Order without a prior written amendment to the Task Order authorizing said additional work and additional fee. The Consultant acknowledges an
affirmative duty to monitor its performance and billings to ensure that the scope of work is completed within the agreed upon fee aset forth in the Task Order.

5.2 Fixed Fee for Services. In response to each RFS, the Consultant will prepare and submit a (firm fixed-fee) Cost Proposal. The Consultant will prepare its Cost Proposal in response to a RFS based upon rates no higher than its fully loaded hourly rates contained in its Best and Final Fee Proposal, which is attached hereto as Exhibit III and incorporated by reference herein.

5.3 Method of Payment. The Consultant shall be entitled to invoice the CHA for the proportionate amount of Work required under a Task Order that it has completed to date. The Consultant shall create invoices that provide adequate detail and descriptions of their Work Product and the percentage of the Work that has been completed to date. Unless otherwise set forth in a RFS or directed by the CHA, Consultant’s invoices must separate the fixed-fees attributable to each building that is part of the Task Order (noting each CHA building designation number). At a minimum, each invoice will contain the name and address of the subject property, the Task Order number, the percentage of Work completed, the amount previously billed to the Task Order, and the total Task Order amount. In a cover letter accompanying the invoice, the Consultant shall verify that the percent of work completed and the percent of work invoiced for a Task Order are in balance. The Consultant may not invoice the CHA for more than the percentage or proportionate amount of Work that has been completed. CHA reserves the right to reject any invoice that is for more than the pro-rata amount of the Task Order’s fixed-fee in comparison to the total percentage of the Work completed on such Task Order. In addition to a hard copy of the invoice, an electronic copy via e-mail shall also be submitted. The CHA shall make commercially reasonable efforts to pay each approved invoice within sixty (60) days of receipt of a properly submitted and approved invoice. The Consultant shall not be entitled to receive payment unless an invoice relating to such payment is first submitted to the CHA. The invoices shall be subject to the review and approval of the CHA. The Consultant shall furnish such supporting documents and additional information as may be required to approve each invoice. If the CHA objects to all or any portion of any invoices, it shall notify the Consultant of its objection and both parties shall make every effort to settle the disputed portion of the invoice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the CHA, at its option, may pay the undisputed portion of any invoice without being deemed to have accepted the disputed portion.

5.4 Non-Appropriation. Funding for any work covered by the terms of this Agreement is subject to (1) availability of federal funds from HUD, (2) the approval of funding by the CHA's Board of Commissioners, and (3) the Consultant’s satisfactory performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, in the event that no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeted or appropriated funds are rescinded by Congress in any fiscal period during the term of this Agreement, then the CHA may notify the Consultant of such occurrence and this Agreement shall terminate on the earlier of the last day of the fiscal period for which sufficient appropriation was made or whenever the funds appropriated for payment under this Agreement are exhausted.
ARTICLE VI  DISPUTES, RISK MANAGEMENT AND INDEMNIFICATION

6.1  Disputes. In the event of a dispute between the CHA and Consultant involving this Agreement, the Director of Procurement and Contracts and Consultant will attempt to negotiate a resolution. The first avenue of negotiation shall be with the CHA Project Manager, as designated by the CHA, and/or Director of ODM in response to a request for resolution and negotiation. If the parties cannot resolve the dispute through negotiation, either party may submit the dispute in writing to CHA's Contracting Officer for decision. The Contracting Officer shall render a decision concerning the dispute submitted. Unless Consultant, within thirty (30) days after receipt of the decision, shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing that it takes exception to the decision of the Contracting Officer, the decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and binding. Provided Consultant has given the notice within the time stated above and has brought suit against the CHA not later than one year after Consultant has received notice of the decision of the Contracting Officer, then the decision of the Contracting Officer for the CHA shall not be final, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.

6.2  Insurance. With respect to each Task Order awarded to the Consultant under this Agreement, the Consultant agrees to comply with and meet or exceed all of CHA's insurance requirements that are set forth in Exhibit IV, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as if fully set forth herein.

6.3  Indemnification. Consultant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the CHA its officers, officials, employees and agents and contractors free and harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, penalties, damages, settlements, environmental liability, costs, charges, professional fees (including reasonable attorney fees) or other expenses or liabilities of every kind, nature and character arising out of or relating to any and all claims, liens, demands, obligations, actions, suits, judgments or settlements, proceedings or causes of action of every kind, nature and character (collectively, "Claims") arising out of or resulting from Consultant's, its agents', employees' and subcontractors' performance of the Services under this Agreement, and/or the negligence, acts or omissions of Consultant, its agents, employees and subcontractors, including but not limited to, the enforcement of this indemnification provision. Without limiting the foregoing, any and all such Claims, relating to personal injury, death, damage to property, defects in material or workmanship, actual or alleged infringement of any patent, trademark, copyright or of any other tangible or intangible personal or property right, or any actual or alleged violation of any applicable statute, ordinance, order, rule or regulation, or decree of any court, shall be included in the indemnity hereunder. The Consultant further agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend all suits for any and all Claims at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the Claims are considered groundless, false or fraudulent.

To the extent permissible by law, Consultant waives any limits on Consultant's liability that it would otherwise have by virtue of the Workers Compensation Act or any other law or judicial decision (specifically Kotecki v. Cyclops Welding Corporation, 146 Ill.2d 155 (1991)).

Consultant shall have the right and obligation to conduct and control the defense of any
Claim for which the CHA is entitled to indemnification hereunder, provided however, the CHA shall have the right, at its option and at Consultant’s expense, to engage separate counsel to monitor the defense of any suit, without relieving Consultant of any of its obligations under this indemnity provision. Consultant expressly understands and agrees that the requirements set forth in this indemnity to defend, indemnify and hold the CHA harmless are separate from and not limited by Consultant's responsibility to obtain, procure and maintain insurance pursuant to any other section of this Agreement. Further, the indemnities contained in this section shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII  EVENTS OF DEFAULT, REMEDIES, TERMINATION, RIGHT TO OFFSET, SUSPENSION

7.1  Events of Default Defined. Each of the following shall constitute an event of default:

A. Any material misrepresentation, whether negligent or willful and whether in the inducement or in the performance, made by Consultant to the CHA.

B. The Consultant's failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Failure to perform the Services with sufficient personnel or with sufficient material to ensure the performance of the Services or due to a reason or circumstance within the Consultant’s control;

2. Failure to meet any of the performance standards set forth in this Agreement;

3. Failure to perform the Services in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the CHA, or inability to perform the Services satisfactorily as a result of insolvency, filing for bankruptcy or assignment for the benefit of creditors;

4. Failure to promptly re-perform within a reasonable time Services or Deliverables that were rejected as erroneous or unsatisfactory;

5. Discontinuance of the Services for reasons or circumstances not beyond the Consultant’s control;

6. Failure to comply with a material term of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the provisions concerning compliance with HUD regulations, insurance and nondiscrimination; and

7. Any other acts specifically and expressly stated in this Agreement as constituting an event of default.

C. Any change in majority ownership or majority control of the Consultant without the prior
written approval of the CHA, which written approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

D. The Consultant's default under any other agreement it may presently have or may enter into with the CHA during this Agreement. The Consultant acknowledges and agrees that in the event of a default under this Agreement the CHA may also declare a default under any such other agreements.

7.2 Remedies. The occurrence of any event of default which the Consultant fails to cure within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of written notice given in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and specifying the event of default or, if such event of default cannot be reasonably cured within thirty (30) calendar days after notice, or if the Consultant has failed to commence and continue diligent efforts to cure such default within thirty (30) days, the CHA may, at its sole option, declare the Consultant in default. Whether to declare the Consultant in default is within the sole discretion of the CHA and neither that decision nor the factual basis for it is subject to review or challenge under the disputes provision of this Agreement. Written notification of the default, and any intention of the CHA to terminate the Agreement, shall be provided to the Consultant and such decision shall be final and effective upon the Consultant's receipt of such notice pursuant to Article 10. Upon the giving of such notice, the CHA may invoke any or all of the following remedies:

A. The right to terminate this Agreement as to any or all of the Scope of Work yet to be performed effective at a time specified by the CHA.

B. The right to pursue any and all remedies, legal and/or equitable, available to the CHA.

C. The right to withhold all or any part of Consultant's compensation hereunder with respect to Scope of Work not completed in accordance with the terms hereof prior to the termination of this Agreement.

D. The right to deem Consultant non-responsible in future contracts to be awarded by the CHA.

E. The right to take over and complete the Scope of Work or any part thereof as agent for and at the cost of contractor, either directly or through others.

If the CHA considers it to be in its best interests, it may elect not to declare default or to terminate the Agreement hereunder. The parties acknowledge that this provision is solely for the benefit of the CHA and that if the CHA permits Consultant to continue to provide the Scope of Work despite one or more events of default, the Consultant shall in no way be relieved of any of its responsibilities, duties or obligations under this Agreement nor shall the CHA waive or relinquish any of its rights.

The remedies under the terms of this Agreement are not intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to any other remedies, existing now or hereafter, at law, in equity or by statute. No delay or failure to exercise any right or power accruing upon any event of default or acquiescence
therein, and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

7.3 **Termination for Convenience.** Notwithstanding the foregoing, the CHA may terminate the Services or any portion of a Task Order awarded pursuant to a RFS to be performed under this Agreement for convenience at any time by giving notice, in writing, to the Consultant when the CHA may deem the Agreement to be no longer in the best interests of the CHA. Consultant shall continue to render the Services until the effective date of termination. No costs incurred by Consultant after the effective date of the termination shall be allowed. The CHA shall reimburse Consultant for all of the direct and reasonable costs, as determined by the CHA, which were properly incurred through the date of termination. The Consultant shall be required to certify that the work completed to the time of termination has been performed in a professional manner and, if applicable, in accordance with the SRP and that the work completed may be relied upon by the CHA, its designees and any subsequent contractor retained to complete a Task Order.

7.3 **Suspension.** The CHA may request at any time that Consultant suspend the Scope of Work or any part thereof by giving ten (10) business days prior written notice to Consultant or upon no notice in the event of emergency. Consultant shall promptly resume performance of such Scope of Work under the same terms and conditions as stated herein when requested to do so by the CHA.

7.4 **No Damages for Delay.** Consultant agrees that it shall make no claims against the CHA for damages, charges, interest, additional costs or fees incurred by reason of suspension of work or delays caused by the CHA. Consultant's sole and exclusive remedy for suspension of work or delays caused by the CHA is an extension of time equal to the duration of the suspension or delay to allow Consultant to perform.

7.5 **Right to Offset.** To the extent permitted by applicable law:

A. In connection with performance under the Agreement, the CHA may offset any incremental costs and other damages the CHA incurs in any and all of the following circumstances:

i. If the CHA terminates the Agreement for default or any other reason resulting from the Consultant's performance or non-performance;

ii. If the CHA exercises any of its remedies under Section 7.02 of the Agreement;

iii. If the CHA has any credits due or has made any overpayments under the Agreement.

The CHA may offset these incremental costs and any other damages by use of any payment due for the Scope of Work completed before the CHA terminated the Agreement or before the CHA exercised any remedies. If the amount offset is insufficient to cover those incremental costs and other damages, the Consultant shall be liable for and must promptly remit to the CHA the balance upon written demand for it.
The right to offset is in addition to and not a limitation of any other remedies available to the CHA.

B. Without breaching this Agreement, the CHA may set off a portion of the compensation due under this Agreement in an amount equal to the amount of any liquidated or unliquidated damages or claims that the CHA has against the Consultant arising out of any other agreements between the CHA and the Consultant or otherwise unrelated to this Agreement. If and when the CHA’s claims against the Consultant are finally adjudicated in a court of competent jurisdiction or otherwise resolved, the CHA will reimburse the Consultant to the extent of the amount the CHA has offset against this Agreement inconsistently with the determination or resolution.

ARTICLE VIII  WARRANTIES, REPRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

8.1  Warranties and Representations. In connection with the execution of this Agreement, Consultant warrants and represents to CHA:

A. That it is financially solvent; and that it and each of its employees or agents of any tier are competent to perform the Services required under this Agreement; and that Consultant is legally authorized to execute and perform or cause to be performed this Agreement under the terms and conditions stated herein.

B. That no officer, agent or employee of the CHA is employed by the Consultant or has a financial interest directly or indirectly in this Agreement or the compensation to be paid hereunder, except as may be permitted in writing by the CHA and HUD, and that no payment, gratuity or offer of employment shall be made in connection with this Agreement by or on behalf of the Consultant to any employee of the CHA; and the Consultant further acknowledges that any agreement entered into, negotiated or performed in violation of any of the provisions set forth herein shall be voidable as to the CHA.

C. That Consultant and its subcontractors, if any, are not in default at the time of the execution of this Agreement, or deemed by the CHA's Director of Procurement and Contracts to have, within the last five (5) years, been found to be in default on any

D. That, except only for those representations, statements, or promises expressly contained in this Agreement, and any exhibits attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, no representation, statement or promise, oral or in writing, or of any kind whatsoever, by the CHA, its officials, officers, agents, or employees, has induced the Consultant to enter into this Agreement or has been relied upon by the Consultant.

E. That the Consultant has carefully examined and analyzed the provisions and requirements of this Agreement and that it understands the nature of the Services required;
F. That the Consultant acknowledges that the CHA, in its selection of the Consultant to perform the Services hereunder, materially relied upon the Consultant's Proposal, that the Proposal was accurate at the time it was made and that no material changes in it have been nor will be made without the express consent of the CHA;

G. That except only for those representations, statements, or promises expressly contained in this Agreement, and any exhibits attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, no representation, statement or promise, oral or in writing, or of any kind whatsoever, by the CHA, its officials, officers, agents, or employees, has induced Consultant to enter into this Agreement or has been relied upon by Consultant.

H. That the Consultant and, to the best of its knowledge, its subcontractors are not in violation of the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 666 (a)(2) and other Federal criminal laws applicable to public contracts funded with federal government funds, the Illinois Criminal Code, 720 ILCS 5/33E-1 et seq. (1989), as amended; and the CHA's Ethics Policy, as amended (see http://www.thecha.org/pages/forms/documents/66.php) and during the term of the Agreement will not violate the provisions of such laws and policies.

I. That the Consultant has disclosed any and all relevant information to the CHA and the Consultant understands and agrees that any certification, affidavit or acknowledgment made under oath or failure to disclose in connection with this Agreement is made under penalty of perjury and, if false, is also cause for termination of this Agreement.

J. That the Consultant is a duly organized and validly existing corporation under the laws of the State of Illinois and has and will continue to have at all times during the term of this Agreement, all licenses necessary to render the Services required hereunder.

K. That the Consultant has the power and authority to enter into and perform all of its obligations under this Agreement, and that this Agreement, when executed will constitute the duly authorized, valid and legally binding obligation of the Consultant.

8.2 **Joint and Several Liability.** In the event that the Consultant, or its permitted successors or assigns, if any, is comprised of more than one individual or other legal entity (or a combination thereof), then and in that event, each and every obligation or undertaking herein stated to be fulfilled or performed by the Consultant shall be the joint and several obligation or undertaking of each individual or other legal entity.

8.3 **Business Documents and Consultant's Affidavit.** The Consultant shall provide to the CHA evidence of its authority to conduct business in the State of Illinois, including without limitation, registrations of assumed names or limited partnerships and certifications of good standing with the Office of the Secretary of the State of Illinois. The Consultant's Contractor's Affidavit, Contractor's Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contracts (HUD Form 5369-C) and Equal Opportunity Certificate are attached hereto as Exhibit V and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. The Consultant shall at all times comply with, and be in compliance with the Consultant's Affidavit, Consultant's Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contracts (HUD
Form 5369-C) and Equal Opportunity Certificate.

8.4 Conflict of Interest.

A. No member of the governing body of the CHA or other units of government and no other officer, employee, or agent of the CHA or other unit of government who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the Services to which this Agreement pertains, shall have any personal interest, direct, or indirect, in this Agreement. No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States or the Illinois General Assembly or CHA employee shall be entitled to any share or part of this Agreement or to any financial benefit to arise from it.

B. The Consultant covenants that it and its employees, or sub-contractors, presently have no interest and shall acquire no interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the Services hereunder. The Consultant further covenants that during the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed. Consultant agrees that if the CHA determines that any of its services for others conflict with the Services that the Consultant is to render for the CHA under this Agreement, Consultant shall terminate such other services immediately upon request of the CHA.

C. Additionally, pursuant to the conflict of interest requirements in OMB Circular A-102 and 24 C.F.R. §85.36(b)(3), no person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or appointed official of the CHA and who exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to HUD assisted activities, or who is in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to HUD activities, 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 hereunder, either for himself or herself or for those whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure or for one year thereafter.


8.5 Independent Consultant. The Consultant and the CHA recognize that Consultant is an independent contractor and not an employee, agent, partner, joint venturer, covenantor, or representative of the CHA and that CHA will not incur any liability as the result of Consultant’s actions. Consultant and its employees, representatives, and agents shall at all times represent and disclose that they are independent contractors of the CHA and shall not represent to any third party that they are an employee, agent, covenantor, or representative of the CHA. The CHA shall not be obligated to withhold any funds from Consultant for tax or other governmental purposes, with respect to its employees, agents, representative or subcontractors. Consultant and its employees, representatives, and agents shall not be entitled to receive any
employment benefits offered to employees of the CHA including workers’ compensation
insurance coverage. The CHA shall not exercise control over Consultant.

ARTICLE IX GENERAL CONDITIONS

9.1 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, comprised of this Agreement and the
Exhibit(s) attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall constitute the entire agreement between
the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and no other warranties, inducements,
considerations, promises, or interpretations shall be implied or impressed upon this Agreement
that are not expressly addressed herein. In the event of a conflict between any provision of this
Agreement, Exhibit to the Agreement or RFS, this Agreement, the Exhibit and the RFS shall
control, in that order, unless otherwise specified within the RFS.

9.2 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed by several identical
counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and constitute one agreement binding on
the parties hereto.

9.3 Amendments. No changes, amendments, modification or discharge of this
Agreement, or any part thereof, shall be valid unless in writing and signed by the authorized
agent of Consultant and by the Chief Executive Officer of the CHA or his designated
representative. The CHA shall incur no liability for additional Services without a written and
signed amendment to this Agreement pursuant to this Section. Whenever in this Agreement
Consultant is required to obtain prior written approval, the effect of any approval which may be
granted pursuant to Consultant’s request shall be prospective only from the later of the date
approval was requested or the date on which the action for which the approval was sought is to
begin. In no event may approval apply retroactively to a date before the approval was granted.

9.4 Non-Discrimination Requirements. Consultant shall comply with all federal,
state and local non-discrimination laws, rules, regulations and ordinances including, but not
regulations promulgated thereto. Consultant shall particularly remain in compliance at all times
12,086, 43 Fed. Reg. 46,501 (1978); Age Discrimination Act, 42 U.S.C. sec. 6101-6106 (1989);
amended, and regulations promulgated in accordance therewith, including but not limited to the
Equal Employment Opportunity Clause, 111. Admin. Code Tit. 44 section 750 Appendix A,
which is attached hereto as Exhibit VI and incorporated by reference herein; Public Works
Employment Discrimination Act, 775 ILCS 10/0.01 et seq., as amended. Chicago Human Rights
ordinance, s2-160-010 et seq., of the Municipal Code of Chicago, as amended; and the Chicago
Fair Housing Regulations, s5-8-010 et seq., of the Municipal Code of Chicago, as amended. In
addition, Consultant must furnish such reports and information as requested by the Chicago
Commission on Human Relations.

9.6 Deemed Inclusion. Provisions required by law, ordinances, rules, regulations or executive orders to be included in this Agreement are deemed inserted in this Agreement whether or not they appear in the Agreement or, upon application of either party, the Agreement shall be amended to make this insertion; however, in no event shall the failure to insert the required provisions before or after the Agreement is signed prevent its enforcement.

9.7 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed as to performance and interpretation in accordance with Federal Laws and the laws of the State of Illinois. Consultant hereby irrevocably submits itself to the original jurisdiction of those courts located within the County of Cook, State of Illinois, with regard to any controversy arising out of, relating to, or in any way concerning the execution or performance of this Agreement. Consultant agrees that service of process on Consultant may be made, at the option of the CHA, either by registered or certified mail addressed to the applicable office as provided for in this Agreement, by registered or certified mail addressed to the office actually maintained by Consultant or by personal delivery on any officer, manager or director of Consultant. If Consultant brings any action against the CHA concerning this Agreement, the action shall only be brought in those courts located within the County of Cook, State of Illinois.

9.8 Severability. If any provisions of this Agreement shall be held or deemed to be or shall in fact be inoperative or enforceable as applied in any particular case in any jurisdiction or in all cases because it conflicts with any other provision or provisions hereof or of any constitution, statute, ordinance, rule of law or public policy, or for any other reason, such
circumstances shall not have the effect of rendering the provision in question inoperative or unenforceable in any other case or circumstances, or of rendering any other provision or provisions herein contained invalid, inoperative, or unenforceable to any extent whatever. The invalidity of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections contained in this Agreement shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part thereof.

9.9 Interpretation. The headings of this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not define or limit the provisions thereof. Words of any gender shall be deemed and construed to include correlative words of the other genders. Words importing the singular number shall include the plural number and vice versa, unless the context shall otherwise indicate. All references to any exhibit or document shall be deemed to include all supplements and/or amendments to any such Exhibits or documents entered into in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. All references to any person or entity shall be deemed to include any person or entity succeeding to the rights, duties, and obligations of such persons or entities in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

9.10 Assigns. All of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their permitted successors.

9.11 Cooperation. The Consultant will at all times cooperate fully with the CHA, its agents, employees, contractors, and subcontractors, any other parties providing services with respect to this Agreement; and any interested governmental agency. The Consultant will at all time act in the CHA's best interests. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, or if it is to expire on its own terms, the Consultant will make every effort to assure an orderly transition to another provider of the Services, if any; an orderly mobilization of its own operations in connection with the Services; uninterrupted provision of Services during any transition period; and will otherwise comply with the reasonable requests and requirements of ODM or CCD in connection with the termination or expiration.

9.12 Waiver. Whenever under this Agreement the CHA by a proper authority expressly waives in writing Consultant's performance in any respect or expressly waives a requirement or condition to either the CHA or Consultant's performance, the waiver in writing so granted shall only apply to the particular instance and shall not be deemed a waiver forever or for subsequent instances of the performance, requirement or condition. No such waiver shall be construed as a modification of the Agreement regardless of the number of times the CHA may have waived the performance of a requirement or condition under this Agreement.

9.13 CHA Inspector General. It is the duty of the Consultant and its subcontractors to cooperate with the CHA Inspector General in any investigation or hearing undertaken. All of the Consultant's subcontracts must inform subcontractors of this provision and require agreement and compliance with the same.

ARTICLE X COMMUNICATION AND NOTICES

10.1 Communication Between the Parties. All communication by Consultant shall
be with the CHA Project Manager on behalf of the CHA. All Deliverables required to be submitted under this Agreement shall be sent to the CHA Project Manager, c/o the Office of Development Management or the Chief Property Officer - Capital Construction Division (as applicable for an assigned task order), Chicago Housing Authority, 60 E. Van Buren., Chicago IL 60605. No verbal communication between the parties shall change any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Nothing stated herein shall be construed as a waiver or modification of the requirements for notice or service of process of litigation, as set forth in the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, the Federal Rules of Civil procedure, the local rules of the Circuit Court of Cook County, and the local rules governing U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

10.2 Notices. Any notices sent to Consultant shall be mailed by certified mail return receipt requested, postage prepaid to:

GSG Consultants, Inc.
855 W. Adams, Suite 200
Chicago, IL 60607
Attention: Arturo Saenz, Vice President

Notices sent to the CHA shall be mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid to:

Chicago Housing Authority
60 E. Van Buren St., 12th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60605
Attention: Chief Housing Officer (for ODM assigned task orders); or
Chief Property Officer (for CCD assigned task orders)

With a Copy to:

Office of the General Counsel
Chicago Housing Authority
60 E. Van Buren St., 12th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60605
Attention: Chief Legal Officer

ARTICLE XIAUTHORITY

11.1 CHA's Authority. Execution of this Agreement by the CHA is pursuant to the United States Housing Act of 1937, 42 U.S.C. §1437 et seq., regulations promulgated by HUD, and the Illinois Housing Authorities Act. 310 ILCS 10/1 et seq., as amended, and other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances.

11.2 Consultant's Authority. Execution of this Agreement by Consultant is authorized by a resolution of its Board of Directors and the signature(s) of each person signing on behalf of Consultant, has been made with complete and full authority to commit Consultant to
all terms and conditions of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CHA and Consultant have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

By: Dionna Brookens
Senior Director of Procurement
Procurement and Contracts

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