

Contract for Debris Removal Services

THIS CONTRACT is made this the 18th day of May, 2021, by and between **CrowderGulf, LLC** (herein referred to as "**Contractor**") and the **City of Deer Park** a political subdivision of the **State of Texas** (herein referred to as **City**).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, it is foreseen that it may be in the public interest to provide for the expedient removal of storm debris within the corporate limits of the **City** plus recovery Technical Assistance to the appointed and elected officials resulting from a natural or manmade event; and

WHEREAS, The **City** has in the past suffered the full force and effects of major storms and the resulting destruction brought upon **City** by such storms or manmade disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health and Safety of all the citizens will be at serious risk; and

WHEREAS, the immediate economical recovery of The **City** and its citizens is a major concern and the primary priority for recovery; and

WHEREAS, the availability of experienced prime storm debris contractors may be severely limited; and

WHEREAS, **Contractor** has the experience, equipment, manpower, permits and licenses to perform all storm related debris services; and

WHEREAS, the **City** and the **Contractor** have agreed to the Scope of Services, prices, terms and conditions as set out in this Contract; and

THEREFORE, in considerations acknowledged by both parties, said parties do agree to the following stipulations and conditions.

1.0 SERVICES

1.1 Scope of Contracted Services:

The **Contractor** shall provide all expertise, personnel, tools, materials, equipment, transportation, supervision and all other services and facilities of any nature necessary to execute, complete and deliver the timely removal and lawful disposal of all **eligible storm-generated debris (herein referred to as "debris")**, including hazardous and industrial waste materials and within the time specified in this Contract. Emergency push, debris removal and demolition of structures will be limited to: 1) that which is determined to eliminate immediate threats to life, public health, and safety; 2) that which has been determined to eliminate immediate threats of significant damage to improved public or private property; and 3) that which is considered essential to ensure the economic recovery of the affected community to the benefit of the community at large.

These contracted services shall provide for the cost effective and efficient removal and lawful disposal of debris accumulated on all public, residential and commercial properties, streets, roads, other rights-of-way and public school properties, including any other locally owned facility or site

as may be directed by the **City**. Contracted services will only be performed when requested and as designated by the **City**.

The Contractor shall load and haul the debris from within the legal boundaries of the municipality to a site(s) specified by the **City** as set out in Section 5.1 of this Contract.

1.2 Emergency Push / Road Clearance:

The Contractor shall accomplish the cutting, tossing and/or pushing of debris from the primary transportation routes as identified by and directed by the **City**. This operational aspect of the scope of contracted services shall be for the first 72 hours after an event and will be billed on a time and material basis. Once this task is accomplished, the following additional tasks will begin as required.

1.3 Right-of-Way (ROW) Removal:

The Contractor shall remove all debris from the ROW of the **City** when directed to do so by the **City**. The Contractor shall use reasonable care not to damage any **City** or private property not already damaged by the storm event. Should any property be damaged due solely to negligence on the part of the Contractor, the **City** may either bill the Contractor for the damages or withhold funds due to the Contractor in an amount not to exceed the dollar amount of compensatory damages that the landowner is able to prove.

1.4 Right-of-Entry (ROE) Removal *(if implemented by the City)*:

The Contractor will remove ROE debris from private property with due diligence, as directed by the **City**. The Contractor also agrees to make **reasonable** efforts to save from destruction items that the property owners wish to save, (i.e., trees, small buildings, etc.). The Contractor will exercise caution when working around public utilities (i.e., gas, water, electric, etc.). Every effort will be made by the **City** to mark these utilities but the **City** does not warrant that all will be located before debris removal begins, nor does the Contractor warrant that utility damages will not occur as a result of properly conducting the contracted services.

1.5 Demolition of Structures *(if implemented by the City)*:

The Contractor will remove structures designated for removal by and at the direction of the **City**. The Contractor agrees to remove in a timely manner all structures as determined by the **City** as set out in Section 1.1 of this Contract.

1.6 Private Property Waivers:

The **City** will secure all necessary permissions, waivers and Right-of-Entry Agreements from property owners as prescribed by the Government for the removal of debris and/or demolition of structures from residential and/or commercial properties, as set out in Sections 1.4 and 1.5 above.

2.0 PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES

2.1 Description of Service:

The Contractor agrees to perform the contracted services in a professional and workmanlike manner and in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and permits. Only the highest quality workmanship will be acceptable. Services, equipment and workmanship not conforming to the Contract documents or meeting the approval of the **City** may be rejected. Replacements and/or rework, as required, will be accomplished at no additional cost to the **City**.

2.2 Cost of Services:

The Contractor shall bear the costs of performing all contracted services hereunder, as directed by the **City**, including but not limited to that which is set out in Section 1.0, plus applicable permit and license fees and all maintenance costs required to maintain its vehicles and other equipment in a condition and manner adequate to accomplish and sustain all contracted services as set out in this Contract.

2.3 Matters Related to Performance:

2.3.1 Subcontractor(s):

The Contractor may utilize the service of subcontractors and shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of its subcontractors to the same extent the Contractor is responsible for the acts and omissions of its employees. The Contractor shall ensure that all its subcontracts have and carry the same major provisions of this Contract and that the work of their subcontractors is subject to said provisions. Nothing contained in this Contract shall create any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the **City**. The Contractor shall supply the names and addresses of subcontractors and materials suppliers when requested to do so by the **City**.

2.3.2 Indemnification:

The Contractor agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the **City** from and against any and all liabilities, suits, actions, legal proceedings, claims, demands, damages, costs and expenses (including attorney's fees) rising out of any act or omission of the Contractor, its agents, subcontractors or employees in the performance of this Contract, but excluding any damage, injury, or loss to person or property solely the result of the **City's** negligent, reckless, or willful acts or omissions or those of its employees, agents, or other contractors or subcontractors. In no event shall Contractor's liability hereunder exceed the dollar amount paid or to be paid to Contractor for its services under this Contract.

2.3.3 Insurance(s):

The Contractor agrees to keep the following Insurance in full force and effect during the term of this Contract. The Contractor must also name the **City**, as additional insured, while working within the boundaries of the **City**.

2.3.4 Worker's Compensation:

- ◆ Coverage per **City** requirements.

2.3.5 Automobile Liability:

- ◆ Coverage per **City** requirements.

2.3.6 Comprehensive General Liability:

- ◆ Coverage per **City** requirements.

2.3.7 Insurance Cancellation / Renewal:

The Contractor will notify the **City** at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation, non-renewal or adverse change to the required insurance. New certificates of insurance are to be provided to the **City** at least ten (10) days following coverage renewals or changes.

3.0 STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

3.1 Contractor Representative:

The Contractor shall have a knowledgeable and responsible Contractor Representative Report to the **City's** designated Contract Representative within 24 hours following the activation of this contract. The Contractor Representative shall have the authority to implement all actions required to begin the performance of contracted services as set out in this Contract and the Contractor's General Operations Plan.

3.2 Mobilization:

When the written Notice to Proceed has been received by the Contractor and/or the on-site Contractor Representative, he/she will make all necessary arrangements to mobilize a minimum of 50% of the required resources within 48 hours and 100% of the required resources within 96 hours to commence and conduct these contracted services.

3.3 Payment and Performance Bonds: Contractor shall provide payment and performance bonds seventy-two (72) hours following activation of contract.

3.4 Time to Complete:

The Contractor shall complete all directed work as set out in Section 1.0 of this Contract within (number of days will be determined once extent of damage has been determined) working days and in accordance with Section 5.8 of this Contract.

3.5 Completion of Work:

The Contractor shall be responsible for removal of all debris up to the point where remaining debris can only be described as storm litter and additional collection can only be accomplished by the use of hand labor.

3.5.1 Extensions (optional):

In as much as this is a “time is of the essence” based Contract, the commencement of contracted services will be as set out in Section 3.2. If the completion of this Contract is delayed by actions of the **City**, then and in such event the time of completion of this Contract shall be extended for such additional time within which to complete the performance of the Contract as is required by such delay. This Contract may be extended by mutual consent of both the **City** and the Contractor for reasons of additional time, additional services and/or additional areas of work.

3.6 Term of Contract:

The term of the Contract shall be for three (3) consecutive years beginning on the date of acceptance by and signatures of the **City** and Contractor, whichever comes later.

3.7 Contract Renewal:

Renewable upon after written concurrence of both parties on any negotiated changes to the terms and specifications contained in this Contract. Section 7.0 of this Contract may be reviewed and amended on an annual basis, at which time amended unit costs may be submitted by the Contractor to the **City** to reflect the current disaster recovery market value of all contracted services in this Contract. Such amendments shall become part of this Contract after both parties sign any such written amendment(s) as required by Section 8.3 of this Contract.

3.8 Contract Termination:

This Contract shall terminate upon thirty (30) days written notice from either party and delivered to the other party, as set out in Section 8.1 of this Contract.

4.0 GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

4.1 Other Agreements:

The **City** may be required to enter into agreements with Federal and/or State agencies for disaster relief. The Contractor shall be bound by the terms and conditions of such agreements. The **City** shall provide Contractor with copies of any such federal or state agreements within 7 days of the execution thereof.

4.2 City Obligations:

The **City** shall furnish all information and documents necessary for the commencement of contracted services, including but not limited to a valid written Notice To Proceed. A representative will be designated by the **City** to be the primary point of contact for inspecting the work and answering any on site questions prior to and after activation of this Contract via a written Notice To Proceed. The **City** is responsible for issuing all Public Service Announcements (PSA) to advise citizens and agencies of the available debris services. The Contractor may assist the **City** with the development of debris-based PSA(s), if requested.

4.3 Conduct of Work:

The Contractor shall be responsible for planning and conducting all operations in a satisfactory workmanlike manner. The Contractor shall exhibit respect for the citizens and their individual private properties. All operations shall be conducted under the review of a **City** Representative. The Contractor shall have and require strict compliance with a written Code of Ethics. The Contractor will supervise and/or direct all contracted services. The Contractor is solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, safety program and procedures. The Contractor will employ and maintain on the work site a qualified supervisor who shall have full authority to act on behalf of the Contractor and all communications given to the supervisor by the **City's** Authorized Representative shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor.

4.4 Damages:

The Contractor shall be responsible for conducting operations in such a manner as to cause the minimum damage possible to existing public, private and commercial property and/or infrastructure. Contractor shall also be responsible for any property damages solely caused or the result of the negligence of its employees and subcontractors as set out in Sections 1.2 through 1.5 of this Contract. However, in no event shall the Contractor's liability hereunder exceed the dollar amount paid or to be paid to Contractor for its services under this Contract.

4.5 Other Contractor(s):

The Contractor shall acknowledge the presence of other contractors involved in disaster response and recovery activities by the federal, state and local government and of any private utility, and shall not interfere with their work.

4.6 Ownership of Debris:

All debris, including regulated hazardous waste, shall become the property of the Contractor for removal and lawful disposal. The debris will consist of, but not limited to vegetative, construction and demolition, white goods and household solid waste.

4.7 Disposal of Debris:

Unless otherwise directed by the **City**, the Contractor shall be responsible for determining and executing the method and manner for lawful disposal of all eligible debris, including regulated hazardous waste. The primary location of the reduction and disposal site(s) shall be determined by the **City** and Contractor. Other sites may be utilized as directed and/or approved by the **City**.

4.8 Federal-Aid Requirements:

The Contract provisions of the Federal Highway Administration's Form **FHWA-1273 (Appendix C)**, titled *"Required Contract Provisions – – Federal-Aid Construction Contracts"* and **FEMA FACT SHEET 9580.214**, *"Debris Removal on Federal-Aid Highways"*, shall apply to all work performed by the Contractor or any of its Subcontractors.

4.9 Compliance with Federal Laws:

This Contract is subject to Federal Laws. The Federal laws applicable to and incorporated into this Contract are 2 C.F.R. 200.326 as described in Appendix II to Part 200 – Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide, FEMA 325 Debris Management Guide, FEMA Recovery Policy 9500 series and any other Federal rule, regulation or policy relating to disaster debris.

Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

(B) All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.

(C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.”

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

(F) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

(G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

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

(J) See §200.322 Procurement of recovered materials.

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5.0 GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 Geographic Assignment:

The geographic boundary for work by the Contractor's crews shall be as directed by the **City** and will be limited to properties located within the **City** legal boundaries.

5.2 Multiple, Scheduled Passes:

The Contractor shall make scheduled passes at the direction of the **City** and/or unscheduled passes of each area impacted by the storm event. The **City** shall direct the interval timing of all passes. Sufficient time shall be permitted between subsequent passes to accommodate reasonable recovery and additional debris placement at the ROW by the citizens and the **City**.

5.3 Operation of Equipment:

The Contractor shall operate all trucks, trailers and all other equipment in compliance with any/all applicable federal, state and local rules and regulations. Equipment shall be in good working condition. All loading equipment shall be operated from the road, street or ROW using buckets and/or boom and grapple devices to collect and load debris. No equipment shall be allowed behind the curb or outside of the public ROW unless otherwise directed by the **City**. Should operation of equipment be required outside of the public ROW, the **City** will provide a Right-of-Entry Agreement, as set out in Section 1.6 of this Contract.

5.4 Certification of Load Carrying Capacity:

The Contractor shall submit to the **City** a certified report indicating the type of vehicle, make and model, license plate number and/or trailer VIN number, assigned debris hauling number and measured maximum volume, in **cubic yards**, of the load bed of each piece of equipment to be utilized to haul debris.

The measured volume of each piece of equipment shall be calculated from the actual physical measurement performed by the **City** and Contractor Representative(s). A standard measurement form certifying actual physical measurements of each piece of equipment shall be an attachment to the certified report(s) submitted to the **City**.

5.5 Vehicle Information:

The maximum load capacity of each hauling vehicle will be rounded to the nearest whole **cubic yard (CY)**. (Decimal values of .1 through .4 will be rounded down and decimal values of .5 through .9 will be rounded up.) The measured maximum load capacity (as adjusted) of any vehicle load bed will be the same as shown on the trailer measurement form and painted on each numbered vehicle or piece of equipment used to haul debris. All vehicles or equipment used for hauling will have and use a Contractor approved tailgate, and sideboards will be limited to those that protect the load area of the trailer.

5.6 Security of Debris During Hauling:

The Contractor shall be responsible for the security of debris on/in each vehicle or piece of equipment utilized to haul debris. Prior to leaving the loading site(s), the Contractor shall ensure that each load is secure and trimmed so that no debris extends horizontally beyond the bed of the equipment in any direction. All loose debris shall be reasonably compacted and secured during transport. As required, the Contractor will survey the primary routes used by the Contractor and recover fallen or blown debris from the roadway(s).

5.7 Traffic Control:

The Contractor shall mitigate impact on local traffic conditions to all extents possible. The Contractor is responsible for establishing and maintaining appropriate traffic control in accordance with the latest Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The Contractor shall provide sufficient signing, flagging and barricading to ensure the safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic at all debris removal, reduction and/or disposal site(s).

5.8 Work Days/Hours:

The Contractor may conduct debris removal operations from sunup to sundown, seven days per week. Any mechanical, debris reduction operations or burning operations may be conducted 24 hours a day, seven days per week. Adjustments to work days and/or work hours shall be as directed by the **City** following consultation and notification to the Contractor.

5.9 Hazardous and Industrial Wastes:

The Contractor shall set aside and reasonably protect all hazardous or industrial materials encountered during debris removal operations for collection and disposal in accordance with the Contractor's Hazardous and Industrial Materials Cleanup and Disposal Plan. The Contractor will build, operate and maintain a Hazardous Waste and Industrial Material Storage area until proper disposal of such waste is feasible. The Contractor may use the subcontracting services of a firm specializing in the management and disposal of such materials and waste, if/when directed by the **City**.

5.10 Stumps:

All hazardous/eligible stumps identified by the **City** will be pulled, loaded, transported, stored, reduced and disposed in accordance with the standards of this Contract. All stumps will be documented, invoiced and paid in accordance with Stump Conversion Table – Diameter to Volume Capacity.

5.11 Utilizing Local Resources:

The Contractor shall, to the extent possible, give priority to utilizing resources within the **City**. Debris Contract local preferences will include, but not limited to, procurement of services, supplies and equipment, plus awarding service subcontracts and employment to the local work force.

5.12 Work Safety:

The Contractor shall provide and enforce a safe work environment as prescribed in the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended. The Contractor will provide such safety equipment, training and supervision as may be required by the **City** and/or Government. The Contractor shall ensure that its subcontracts contain a similar safety provision.

5.13 Inspection and Testing:

All debris shall be subject to adequate inspection by the **City** or any public authority in accordance with generally accepted standards to ensure compliance with the Contract and applicable federal, state and local laws. The **City** will, at all times, have access to all work sites and disposal areas. In addition, authorized representatives and agents of the Government shall be permitted to inspect all work, materials, invoices and other relevant records and documentation.

5.14 Other Agencies:

The term "Government" as used in this Contract refers to those governmental agencies, which may have a regulatory or funding interest in this Contract.

6.0 REPORTS, CERTIFICATIONS and DOCUMENTATION

6.1 Accountable Debris Load Forms:

The **City** shall accept the serialized copy of the Contractor's debris reporting ticket(s) as the certified, original source documents to account for the measurement and accumulation of the volume of debris delivered and processed at the reduction and/or disposal site(s). The serialized ticketing system will also be used in the event of additional debris handling for volume reduction and/or the possible requirement for a debris transfer station(s). These tickets shall be used as the basis of any electronic generated billing and/or report(s).

6.2 Reports:

The Contractor shall submit periodic, written reports to the **City** as requested or required, detailing the progress of debris removal and disposal. These reports may include, but not limited to:

6.2.1 Daily Reports:

The daily reports may detail the location where passes for debris removal were conducted, the quantity of debris (by type) removed and disposed and the total number of personnel crews engaged in debris management operations and the number of grinders, chippers and mulching machines in operation. The Contractor will also report damages to private property caused by the debris operation or damage claims made by citizens and such other information as may be required to completely describe the daily conduct of the Contractor's operations.

6.2.2 Weekly Summaries:

A summary of all information contained in the daily reports as set out in Section 6.2.1 of this Contract or in a format required by the **City**.

6.2.3 Report(s) Delivery:

The scheduling, point of delivery and receiving personnel for the debris operations report(s) will be directed by the **City** in consultation with the Contractor.

6.2.4 Final Project Closeout:

Upon final inspection and/or closeout of the project by the **City**, the Contractor shall prepare and submit a detailed description of all debris management activities to include, but not limited to the total volume, by type of debris hauled, reduced and/or disposed, plus the total cost of the project invoiced to the **City**. If requested, any other additional information as may be necessary to adequately document the conduct of the debris management operations for the **City** and/or Government.

6.3 Additional Supporting Documentation:

The Contractor shall submit sufficient reports and/or documentation for debris loading, hauling, disposal, and load capacity measurements as may reasonably be required by the **City** and/or Government to support requests for debris project reimbursement from external funding sources.

6.4 Report Maintenance:

Contractor will be subject to audit by federal, state and local agencies pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor will maintain all reports, records, debris reporting tickets and contract correspondence for a period of not less than three (3) years.

6.5 Contract File Maintenance:

The Contractor will maintain this Contract and the invoices that are generated for the contracted services for a period of five (5) years or the period of standard record retention of the **City**, whichever is longer.

7.0 UNIT PRICES and PAYMENTS

7.1 See RFP Fee Schedule

7.2 Billing Cycle:

The Contractor shall invoice the **City** on a 30 day basis reflecting the close of business on the last working day of the billing period. Serialized debris reporting tickets and disposal site verification of the actual cubic yardage for each load of debris or itemized stumps will support all invoices.

7.3 Payment Responsibility:

The **City** agrees to accept the Contractor's invoice(s) and supporting documentation as set out in Section 6.3 of this Contract and process said invoices for payment within 15 business days of the receipt thereof. The **City** will advise the Contractor within five (5) working days of receiving any debris service invoice that requires additional information for approval to process for payment.

7.4 Ineligible Work:

The Contractor will not be paid for the removal, transportation, storage, reduction and/or disposal of any material or stumps as may be determined by the **City** and/or Government as ineligible debris.

7.4.1 Eligibility Inspections:

The Contractor and **City** will inspect each load to verify the contents are in accordance with the accepted definition of eligible debris, as set out in Section 1.1 of this Contract.

7.4.2 Eligibility Determinations:

If any load is determined to contain material that does not conform to the definition of eligible debris, the load will be ordered to be deposited at another landfill or receiving facility and no payment will be allowed for that load and the Contractor will not invoice the **City** for such loads.

7.5 Unit Price/Service Negotiations:

Unknown and/or unforeseen events or conditions may require an adjustment to the stated unit prices in Section 7 of this Contract. Any amendments, extensions or changes to the scope of contracted services or unit prices are subject to full negotiation(s) between the **City** and the Contractor and subject to the review of the Government and must comply with Section 8.3 of this Contract.

7.6 Specialized Services:

The Contractor may invoice the **City** for costs incurred to mobilize and demobilize specialized equipment required to perform services in addition to those specified under Section 1.0 of this Contract. Additional specialized services will only be performed if/when directed by the **City**. The rate for specialized mobilization and demobilization shall be fair and reasonable as determined by the **City**.

8.0 MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 Notice:

Whenever in this Contract it is necessary to give notice or demand by either party to the other, such notice or demand shall be given in writing and forwarded by certified or registered mail and addressed as follows:

Contractor: CrowderGulf, LLC
5629 Commerce Blvd E
Mobile, AL 36619
800-992-6207
jramsay@crowdergulf.com

City: City of Deer Park
Robert Hemminger, Director of Emergency Services
2211 East X Street
Deer Park, TX 77536
281-478-7298
rhemminger@deerparktx.org

8.2 Applicable Law:

The laws of the **State of Texas** shall govern this Contract. Any and all legal action necessary to enforce the Contract will be held in Harris County, Texas, and the Contract shall be interpreted by the laws of Texas.

8.3 Entire Contract/Amendments:

This Contract (including any schedules or exhibits attached hereto) constitutes the entire Contract and understanding between the parties with respect to the matters contained herein. This Contract supersedes any prior contracts, negotiations, proposals, agreements and/or understandings, whether verbal or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. This Contract may be modified, amended or extended only by a written instrument executed by both parties.

8.4 Waiver:

In the event one of the parties waives a default by the other, such a waiver shall not be construed or deemed to be a continuing waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the other provisions of this Contract, by either party.

8.5 Severability:

If any provision of this Contract is deemed or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable under the applicable laws or regulations of any jurisdiction, such provision will be deemed amended to the extent necessary to conform to applicable laws or regulations. If it cannot be so amended without materially altering the intention of the parties, it will be stricken and the remainder of this Contract will remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor has caused this Contract to be signed in its corporate name by its authorized representative and the **City** has caused this Contract to be signed in its legal name by persons authorized to execute said Contract as of the day and year first written above on page one.

CrowderGulf, LLC.

City of Deer Park, TX

By: _____

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Name:

Name: Jerry L. Mouton, Jr.

Title: _____

Title: Mayor_____

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Name: Shannon Bennett, City Secretary

Exhibit “A”

State and Federal Requirements

NOTICE: THIS IS A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECT

AWARDING AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Department of Homeland Security.

References to “contractor” in this exhibit refer to the party providing services to a governmental entity through this agreement or contract.

Funding, in whole or in part, for this Project is through a Federal grant therefore all provisions of 2 CFR §§ 200.317 through 200.326 under the Uniform Administrative Requirements (“Uniform Rules”) apply to this Project. Federal Law requires that contracts relating to the Project include certain provisions of 2 CFR §§ 200.317 through 200.326 under the Uniform Administrative Requirements. Depending upon the type of work or services provided and the dollar value of the Project, some of the provisions set forth in 2 CFR §§ 200.317 through 200.326 may not apply to the Contractor or to the work or services to be provided hereunder; however, the provisions are nonetheless set forth to cause this Project to comply with Federal Law.

This Project will be in strict compliance with program requirements of the Awarding Agency and of 2 CFR §§ 200.317 through 200.326.

Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders

Contractor acknowledges that Federal financial assistance will be used to fund the Contract and Contractor agrees it will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, and FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

No Obligation by Federal Government

Contractor acknowledges the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor’s actions pertaining to this contract.

Equal Opportunity Clause

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or

transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- B. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- C. 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 advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- D. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, "Equal Employment Opportunity" and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- E. The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- F. In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said 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 Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- G. The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph and the provisions of paragraphs A through G in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor 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 take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises and Labor Surplus Area Firms

The Contractor agrees to take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Affirmative steps must include:

1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
6. The Contractor shall, if subcontracts are to be let, take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Contractors.

Contractor agrees to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as defined in 49 C.F.R., Part 23, as amended, have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and this agreement. In this regard, contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 C.F.R., Part 23, as amended, to ensure that the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and performance of federal assisted contracts.

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

1. Applicability: This requirement applies to all Federal grant and cooperative agreement programs.
2. Where applicable (see 40 U.S.C. § 3701), all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 5. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, ¶ E.
3. Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week.
4. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
5. The regulation at 29 C.F.R. § 5.5(b) provides the required contract clause concerning compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act:

"Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

- (1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty 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 forty hours in such workweek.
- (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor 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 violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. City of Deer Park, TX /FEMA 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 contractor, 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 paragraph (2) of this section.
- (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section 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 paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.”

Compliance with Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Acts

The Contractor and subcontractor(s) shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251–1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Clean Air Act:

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Texas and understands and agrees that the State of Texas will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the City of Deer Park, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act:

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Texas and understands and agrees that the State of Texas will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the City of Deer Park, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)

The Contractor certifies, by entering into this Contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federally-assisted programs under Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR Part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR Part 1989 Comp., p. 235). The term “principal” for purposes of this Contract is defined as an officer, director, owner, partner, key employee, or other person with primary management or supervisory responsibilities, or a person who has a critical influence on or substantive control over the operations of the Contractor. The Contractor understands that it must not make any award or permit any award (or contract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, “Debarment and Suspension.”

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by (insert name of subrecipient). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (name of state agency serving as recipient and name of subrecipient), the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.”

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

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

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements (See attached certification regarding lobbying.)

Contractor shall file the required certification: The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

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

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

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

Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 - (i) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - (ii) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - (iii) At a reasonable price.
- (2) Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/>. The list of EPA-designate items is available at <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products.htm>.

DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags

Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

Remedies and Dispute Resolution

Should any disputes arise with respect to the Agreement; the Parties agree to act immediately to resolve such disputes and shall include parties from the Owner and the Contractor that can bind and implement the decisions of any resolution. Time is of the essence in the resolution of disputes. The Contractor agrees that, the existence of a dispute notwithstanding, it will continue without delay to carry out all of its responsibilities under the Agreement that are not affected by the dispute and the Owner shall continue to make payment for all work properly performed.

No remedy herein conferred upon any party is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or at equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof.

Termination for Convenience

The Owner may terminate this Agreement for convenience or for cause upon written notice to the Contractor. The Contractor may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Owner. During such termination period, the Contractor shall continue to diligently perform all of its duties hereunder. After a receipt of a termination notice and except as otherwise directed by the Owner, the Contractor shall: stop work on the date and to the extent specified; terminate and settle all orders and subcontracts relating to the performance of the terminated work; transfer all work in process, completed work, and other materials related to the terminated work as directed by the Owner; and continue and complete all parts of that work that have not been terminated.

Disclosure of Interested Parties (FORM 1295)

In compliance with Section 2252.908 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Deer Park, Texas may not enter into a contract with a business entity as a result of acceptance or award of this solicitation unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties form as required by this statute. Notification will be given to the business entity recommended for award upon which the business entity will be required to submit the completed form prior to award.

A copy of this law is available at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/GV/htm/GV.2252.htm>. The on-line form is available at https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm. The Definitions are included in Chapter 46, Ethics Commission Rules: <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/tec/1295-Info.htm>.

Access to Records

Contractor acknowledges the following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- (1) The contractor agrees to provide (insert name of state agency or local or Indian tribal government), (insert name of recipient), the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (3) The contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representative(s) access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

The Contractor, Crowder Gulf LLC, hereby acknowledges that the above Federal and State clauses and requirements apply to this bid proposal and awarded contract.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date



Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim)

FEMA Policy #405-143-1

BACKGROUND

In 2018, Congress enacted legislation that prohibited obligating or expending federal award funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons. The statute and implementing regulations, as they apply to FEMA recipients and subrecipients, provides for two distinct prohibitions: 1) to prevent the use of federal award funds to procure or obtain covered technology; and 2) to prevent the use of federal award funds to contract with an entity that uses covered technology.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to FEMA's recipients and subrecipients and their contractors and subcontractors on prohibitions regarding certain telecommunications and video surveillance equipment and services beginning on or after Aug. 13, 2020. These prohibitions are described in section 889(b)(1) of the [John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 \(FY 2019 NDAA\)](#)¹ and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216.²

PRINCIPLES

The following principles underpin this policy:

- A. Balance protecting national security, including homeland security and critical infrastructure, with the addition of required duties and limitations on FEMA's recipients and subrecipients.

¹ Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018). Under section 889(a), these prohibitions also apply to federal procurements, and those prohibitions went into effect on Aug. 13, 2019. The General Services Administration, Department of Defense, and National Aeronautics and Space Administration have already amended the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and issued other guidance to implement these prohibitions. For additional information on these amendments, see [FAR Interim Rule](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment, 84 Fed. Reg. 40,216 (Aug. 13, 2019) (amending the FAR to add sections 4.2100 – 4.2105 and 52.204-24 and 52.204-25, among other sections) and [FAR Interim Rule](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Using Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment, 85 Fed. Reg. 42,665 (July 14, 2020) (amending the FAR to require contracting officers to include contract provisions in sections 52.204-24 and 52.204-25).

² On Aug. 13, 2020, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) released updates to various Parts of Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), including updates to 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Most of the provisions are effective Nov. 12, 2020, but the new regulation at 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 implementing the FY 2019 NDAA went into effect Aug. 13, 2020. See [OMB Final Guidance, Guidance for Grants and Agreements](#), 85 Fed. Reg. 49,506 (Aug. 13, 2020).



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- B. Provide clarity on how the statutory and regulatory prohibitions apply to recipients and subrecipients of FEMA grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan guarantees (collectively referred to in this policy as “FEMA awards” or “FEMA award funds”).³
- C. Reduce complexity by issuing a single policy for all FEMA awards, subject to limited programmatic variations.
- D. Draw on existing regulations and guidance applicable to federal procurements, as appropriate, to promote consistent interpretation and definitions across the Federal Government.

REQUIREMENTS

A. APPLICABILITY

Outcome: To ensure these prohibitions are implemented in accordance with the statute and clarify when and to whom these prohibitions apply.

- 1. Under all open and future FEMA awards, this policy applies to:
 - a. Purchase orders, contracts, subcontracts, or similar acquisition actions:
 - i. That are new, renewed, or extended on or after Aug. 13, 2020;
 - ii. For all goods or services of any dollar amount; and
 - iii. By any FEMA recipient or subrecipient or their contractor or subcontractor under FEMA awards.

B. PROHIBITIONS

Outcome: To describe the statutory and regulatory prohibitions that apply to FEMA awards.

- 1. Effective Aug. 13, 2020, FEMA recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors,⁴ may not obligate or expend any FEMA award funds to:
 - a. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
 - b. Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a

³ The new regulation at 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibits recipients and subrecipients from obligating or expending loan or grant funds; however, the updated regulations at 2 C.F.R. § 200.1 define the terms “recipient” and “subrecipient” in relation to the term federal award, which itself is defined in relation to the term federal financial assistance. Per the updated 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, federal financial assistance, specifically for purposes of § 200.216, means grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan guarantees. See 85 Fed. Reg. at 49,531, 49,532, 49,535.

⁴ Because the statute prohibits obligating or expending any FEMA award funds, these prohibitions also flow down to a recipient’s or subrecipient’s contractors and subcontractors.



substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system; or

- c. Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

C. EXCEPTIONS

Outcome: To explain the statutory exceptions to the prohibitions.

1. By statute, the prohibitions do not apply to:

- a. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- b. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

2. By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions do not apply to:

- a. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
 - i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
 - ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
- b. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.⁵

D. REPLACEMENT OF COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES

Outcome: To explain the statutory requirement to prioritize available funding for replacement equipment or services.

1. Section 889(b)(2) of the FY 2019 NDAA directs federal agencies to prioritize available funding and technical support to assist recipients and subrecipients as is reasonably necessary to:

- a. Transition from covered telecommunications equipment or services and procure replacement equipment or services; and
- b. Sustain communications service to users and customers.

⁵ The new regulation at 2 C.F.R. § 200.471 describes telecommunications and video surveillance costs as generally allowable under the cost principles except when they are covered by the prohibitions in the FY 2019 NDAA and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216. See 85 Fed. Reg. at 49,570.



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2. Depending on the specific FEMA program, recipients and subrecipients may be permitted to use FEMA award funds to purchase replacement equipment or services.
 - a. Recipients and subrecipients should refer to program guidance or contact the applicable program office to determine whether replacement equipment or services is eligible under that program.

E. CONTRACT PROVISION

Outcome: To communicate that FEMA recipients and subrecipients and their contractors and subcontractors are required per 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II⁶ to include a contract provision in all FEMA-funded contracts and subcontracts, including any purchase orders.

1. On or after Aug. 13, 2020, for all new, extended, or renewed contracts using FEMA funds, especially for covered telecommunications equipment or services:
 - a. FEMA recipients and subrecipients are required to include a provision in their contracts explaining the prohibitions under section 889 of the NDAA and as clarified in this policy.
 - b. This also applies to subcontracts under any new, extended, or renewed contract.
2. For the required contract provision, recipients and subrecipients may draft their own provision that meets the requirements of the FY 2019 NDAA and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 to include in contracts and subcontracts. Alternatively, they may use language from the appendix to this policy to include in contracts and subcontracts. Recipients and subrecipients should also consult their own contracting officials or legal counsel when incorporating any contract provision.

Christopher P. Logan
Acting Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs
Directorate

November 24, 2020

⁶ See 85 Fed. Reg. at 49,577.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REVIEW CYCLE

This is an interim policy and will be evaluated within one year from its publication and will be issued as a permanent policy or incorporated into other existing guidance.

AUTHORITIES

- A. Section 889 of the [John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 \(FY 2019 NDAA\)](#), Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018).
- B. 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.1, 200.216, 200.317 – 200.327, 200.471.
- C. 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II.
- D. [OMB Final Guidance, Guidance for Grants and Agreements](#), 85 Fed. Reg. 49,506 (Aug. 13, 2020).

REFERENCES

- A. 48 C.F.R. §§ 4.2101 (FAR definitions implementing section 889), 4.2105 (FAR requirements for solicitation provisions and contract clauses), 52.204-25 (FAR language required for contract clause).
- B. [FAR Interim Rule](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment, 84 Fed. Reg. 40,216 (Aug. 13, 2019) (amending the FAR to add sections 4.2100 – 4.2105 and 52.204-24 and 52.204-25, among other sections).
- C. [FAR Interim Rule](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Using Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment, 85 Fed. Reg. 42,665 (July 14, 2020) (amending the FAR to add definitions to section 4.2101 and require contracting officers to include contract provisions in sections 52.204-24 and 52.204-25).

DEFINITIONS

Backhaul means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (e.g., connecting cell phones/towers to the core



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telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (e.g., fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).⁷

Covered foreign country means the People's Republic of China.⁸

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means—

- a. Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation, (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- b. For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- c. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
- d. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.⁹

Interconnection arrangements means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (e.g., connection of a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.¹⁰

Roaming means cellular communications services (e.g., voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.¹¹

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.¹²

⁷ 48 C.F.R. § 4.2101; 85 Fed. Reg. at 42,676. FEMA notes that the FAR does not technically apply to grants, cooperative agreements, or loans, but its definitions are still useful in FEMA's implementation of section 889 to its awards in the absence of other applicable definitions.

⁸ FY 2019 NDAA § 889(f)(2).

⁹ FY 2019 NDAA § 889(f)(3).

¹⁰ 48 C.F.R. § 4.2101; 85 Fed. Reg. at 42,676.

¹¹ 48 C.F.R. § 4.2101; 85 Fed. Reg. at 42,676-77.

¹² 48 C.F.R. § 4.2101; 84 Fed. Reg. at 40,221.



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Telecommunications equipment or services means telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services, such as, but not limited to, mobile phones, land lines, internet, video surveillance, and cloud servers.¹³

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

FEMA will monitor the implementation of this policy through close coordination with various program offices, regional staff, and, as appropriate, interagency partners and non-federal stakeholders. FEMA will consider feedback, as appropriate, from these entities when issuing a final policy.

QUESTIONS

Questions regarding this policy may be directed to your assigned FEMA program analyst or grants management specialist or the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) at askcsid@fema.dhs.gov or (800) 368-6498.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Contract Provision Regarding Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services¹⁴

¹³ See 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.1, 200.471; 85 Fed. Reg. at 49,536, 49,570.

¹⁴ The language in this appendix is based the language in the FAR. See 48 C.F.R. § 52.204-25; 84 Fed. Reg. at 40,222; 85 Fed. Reg. at 42,679.



APPENDIX A

Contract Provision Regarding Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services

For FEMA awards, recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors, may use the following contract provision in new, extended, or renewed contracts and subcontracts.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy, #405-143-1 Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services As used in this clause—
- (b) *Prohibitions.*
- (1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug. 13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.
 - (2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:
 - (i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
 - (ii) Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
 - (iii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
 - (iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.



(c) *Exceptions.*

(1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

- a. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- b. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:

- a. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
 - i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
 - ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
- b. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(d) *Reporting requirement.*

(1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:

- (i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
- (ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.



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(e) *Subcontracts*. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT

APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18-CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements (To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

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

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm>. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

- (2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;
or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

- (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
- (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

- (1) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

- (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

Approved by OMB

0348-0046

(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance		2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award		3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____	
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known: Congressional District, if known:			5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:		
6. Federal Department/Agency:			7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____		
8. Federal Action Number, if known:			9. Award Amount, if known: \$ _____		
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):			b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):		
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.			Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____		
Federal Use Only:				Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7-97)	

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

FEDERAL DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION FORM

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180.

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE WHICH ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CERTIFICATION)

- (1) The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds certifies, by Response, that it is in compliance with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and that neither it, its principals, nor its subcontractors are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Response.

ATTESTATION

By signing this report, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the foregoing is true, complete, and accurate. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil or administrative penalties for fraud, false statements, false claims or otherwise. (U.S. Code Title 18, Sections 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Company Name

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature

Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 ☐ **Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.** (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.

Name of Officer

4 Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

☐ Yes ☐ No

5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.

6 ☐ Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

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Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

Date

NONCOLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF _____

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. I am _____, _____ of _____, the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid.
2. I am fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such Bid;
3. Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;
4. Neither I, nor any of Bidder's officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with another Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with the Contract for which the attached Bid has been submitted or to refrain from bidding in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid or of any other Bidder, or to fix an overhead, profit or cost element of the Bid price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the City of Deer Park or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

Signed: _____ Title _____

Subscribed and sworn to me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

By: _____
Notary Public

My commission expires _____.

Organization Name
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

SENATE BILL 252 CERTIFICATION

On this day, I, Tracy Peterson, the
Purchasing Representative for City of Deer Park, Texas, pursuant to Texas
Government Code, Chapter 2252, Section 2252.152 and Section 2252.153, certify
that I did review the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the
listing of companies that is identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051 or
Section 2253.253 and I have ascertained that the below-named company is not
contained on said listing of companies which do business with Iran, Sudan or any
Foreign Terrorist Organization.

City of Deer Park
Company Name

Debris Removal Services / Crowder Gulf LLC
RFP or Vendor number

CERTIFICATION CHECK PERFORMED BY:

Purchasing Representative

Date

AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned swears/affirms that the foregoing information and statements are true and correct and include all material and information necessary to identify and explain the operations of _____ (name of contractor) as well as the ownership thereof.

Further, the undersigned agrees to permit the City of Deer Park (City) to interview owners, principals, officers and employees; and to audit or examine books, records and files of the above contractor.

If at any time the IISD has reason to believe that any person or firm has willfully and knowingly provided incorrect information or made false statement, the City may refer the matter to its General Counsel or take other action.

NOTE: Under Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 15 U.S.C. Section 645, any person who misrepresents a firm's status as a small disadvantaged business concern or makes false statements in order to influence the certification process in any way to obtain a government contract, shall be subject to fines of up to \$500,000 and imprisonment of up to 10 years, or both.

The burden of proof of control and management of the business is on the applicant. The City reserves the right to request any additional information it deemed necessary to determine if a contractor is certifiable. Failure to cooperate and/or provide requested information within the time specified is grounds for termination of the processing of your application for certification.

Name

Signature

Title

Date

Date _____ State of _____ County of _____

On this day before me appeared (name) _____ with proper identification, who being duly sworn, did execute the foregoing affidavit and did aver that he or she was properly authorized by (name of firm) _____ to execute this affidavit and did so as his or her free act/deed.

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires:

SB 252

CHAPTER 2252 CERTIFICATION

As per Section 2252.151-154 of the Texas Government Code, added by SB 252, 75th Legislature, R.S. (2017), all bidders must complete the following:

I, the undersigned vendor, do hereby certify that the company I represent, is not identified on the Texas Comptroller's list of companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign terrorist organization. A "Foreign Terrorist Organization," means an organization designated as a foreign terrorist organization as defined by the United States Secretary of State as authorized by federal law.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Section 2252.152 and Section 2252.153, I certify that the company named below is not listed on the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the listing of companies that are identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051 or Section 2253.153. I further certify that should the above-named company enter into a contract that is on said listing of companies on the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas which do business with Iran, Sudan or any Foreign Terrorist Organization, I will immediately notify the City of Deer Park.

I, _____, the undersigned and
representative

of _____
(Company or Business Name)

Name of Company Representative (Print)

Signature of Company Representative

Date

HOUSE BILL 89 VERIFICATION

I, _____, the undersigned representative of
(Individual's Name)

(Business or Company)

Hereinafter referred to as "Company", do hereby verify that the company named above, under the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270:

1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and
2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Pursuant to Section 2270.01, Texas Government Code:

1. "Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israel-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes; and

2. "Company" means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or any limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exist to make a profit.

By my signature I affirm the information provided on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Authorized Signature

Title

Print/Type Name

Date