STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE

TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM NONCAPITAL PUBLIC BODY GRANT AGREEMENT

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DOT PROGRAM NUMBER: DOT-11

and

PROJECT NUMBER: 16-DG-025

CITY OF HIGH POINT

WBS ELEMENT: 36223.13.8.2

PO NUMBER: TBD

THIS AGREEMENT made this the 17th day of November, 2015, (hereinafter referred to as AGREEMENT) by and between the NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (hereinafter referred to as "Department", an agency of the State of North Carolina) and the CITY OF HIGH POINT (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor").

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes designated the Department of Transportation as the agency of the State of North Carolina responsible for administering all Federal and/or State programs relating to public transportation, and granted the Department authority to do all things required under applicable Federal and/or State legislation to properly administer the public transportation within the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Department and the Contractor desire to utilize grant funds for the Demonstration program.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein set forth, the Department and the Contractor agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Purpose of Agreement</u>. The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the

undertaking of the transit development project (hereinafter referred to as "Project") by the Contractor and to state the terms, conditions, and mutual undertakings of the parties as to the manner in which the Project will be undertaken and completed

Section 2. <u>Project Implementation</u>. The Contractor agrees to carry out the Project as follows:

a. Scope of Project. The City of High Point, in conjunction with the High Point Market Authority, will support transportation for annual Fall and Spring furniture markets in High Point. The funding will provide shuttle services for market attendees from Piedmont Triad area hotels and designated park and ride lots to the Home Furnishings Market, and for circulator services in the High Point showroom district. The circulator and shuttle services will be procured and organized by the High Point Market

Authority.

The Contractor shall undertake and complete the Project as described in the approved Project Budget, incorporated into this Agreement as Attachment A, filed with and approved by the Department, and in accordance with the Project application for financial assistance and the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Nothing shall be construed under the terms of this Agreement by the Department or the Contractor that shall cause any conflict with Department, State, or Federal statutes, rules, or regulations.

b. <u>Cost of Project</u>. The total cost of the Project approved by the Department is **ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,200,000)** as set forth in the Project Description and Budget, incorporated into this

Agreement as Attachment A.

Operating WBS	Operating Total	Operating Federal (0%)	Operating State (100%)	Operating Local (0%)
36223.13.8.2	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$0
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Project	Project	Project	Project	Project
Total	Total	Total Federal	Total State	Total Local
	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$0

- c. Period of Performance. This Agreement shall commence upon the date of execution, unless specific written authorization from the Department to the contrary is received. The period of performance for all expenditures shall extend from JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016 unless written authorization to the contrary is provided by the Department. Any requests to change the Period of Performance must be submitted 60 days before the end of the current Performance Period and in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the Department. The Contractor shall commence, carry on, and complete the approved Project with all practicable dispatch, in a sound, economical, and efficient manner.
- d. <u>Contractor's Capacity</u>. The Contractor agrees to maintain sufficient legal, financial, technical, and managerial capability to:
 - (a) Plan, manage, and complete the Project and provide for the use of Project property;
 - (b) Carry out the safety and security aspects of the Project; and
 - (c) Comply with the terms of this Agreement, the Approved Project Budget, the Project schedules, and applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives.
- e. <u>Administrative Requirements</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with the following Federal and State administrative requirements:
 - (1) U.S. DOT regulations, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for

Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments," 49 C.F.R. Part 18 at (http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html#page1).

(2) Title 19A North Carolina Administrative Code (N.C.A.C.)
Subchapter

5B at (http://reports.oah.state.nc.us/ncac.asp).

f. Application of State, and Local Laws, Regulations, and Directives.

To achieve compliance with changing federal and state requirements, the Contractor makes note that federal, state and local requirements may

change and the changed requirements will apply to this Agreement as required.

b) Contractor's Primary Responsibility to Comply with Federal and State

Requirements. Irrespective of involvement by any other participant in the Project, the Contractor agrees that it, rather than the participant, is ultimately responsible for compliance with all applicable Federal and State laws. regulations, and directives, except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing. Unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Department, the Contractor shall not assign any portion of the work to be performed under this Agreement, or execute any contract, amendment, or change order thereto, or obligate itself in any manner with any third party with respect to its rights and responsibilities under this Agreement without the prior written concurrence of the Department. Further, the Contractor shall incorporate the provisions of this Agreement into any lease arrangement and shall not enter into any lease arrangement without the prior concurrence of the Department. Any lease approved by the Department shall be subject to the conditions or limitations governing the lease as set forth by the Department. If the Contractor leases any Project asset to another party, the Contractor agrees to retain ownership of the leased asset, and assure that the Lessee will use the Project asset to provide mass transportation service, either through a "Lease and Supervisory Agreement" between the Contractor and Lessee, or another similar document. The Contractor agrees to provide a copy of any relevant documents.

(1) <u>Significant Participation by a Third Party Contractor</u>. Although the

Contractor may enter into a third party contract, after obtaining approval from the Department, in which the third party contractor agrees to provide property or services in support of the Project, or even carry out Project activities normally performed by the Contractor (such as in a turnkey contract), the Contractor agrees that it, rather than the third party contractor, is ultimately responsible to the Department for compliance with all applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, except to the extent that FTA or the Department determines otherwise in writing.

(2) <u>Significant Participation by a Subcontractor</u>. Although the Contractor

may delegate any or almost all Project responsibilities to one or more subcontractors, the Contractor agrees that it, rather than the subcontractor, is ultimately responsible for compliance with all applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, except to the extent that FTA or the Department determines otherwise in writing.

g. Contractor's Responsibility to Extend Federal and State Requirements
to

Other Entities.

(1) <u>Entities Affected</u>. Only entities that are signatories to this Agreement

for the Project are parties to this agreement. To achieve compliance with certain Federal and State laws, regulations, or directives, however, other Project participants, such as subrecipients and third party contractors, will necessarily be involved. Accordingly, the Contractor agrees to take the appropriate measures necessary to ensure that all Project participants comply with applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives affecting their performance, except to the extent FTA or the

Department determines otherwise in writing.

(2) <u>Documents Affected</u>. The applicability provisions of Federal and State

laws, regulations, and directives determine the extent to which their provisions affect a Project participant. Thus, the Contractor agrees to include adequate provisions to ensure that each Project participant complies with those Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing. In addition, the Contractor also agrees to require its third party contractors and subrecipients to include adequate provisions to ensure compliance with applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives in each lower tier subcontract and subagreement for the Project, except to the extent that FTA or the Department determines otherwise in writing. Additional requirements include the following:

(a) <u>Third Party Contracts</u>. Because Project activities performed by a

third party contractor must comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing, the Contractor agrees to include appropriate clauses in each third party contract stating the third party contractor's responsibilities under Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, including any provisions directing the third party contractor to extend applicable requirements to its subcontractors at the lowest tier necessary. When the third party contract requires the third party contractor to undertake responsibilities for the Project usually performed by the Contractor, the Contractor agrees to include in that third party contract those requirements applicable to the Contractor imposed by the Grant Agreement for the Project or the FTA Master Agreement and extend those requirements throughout each tier except as the Department determines otherwise in writing. Additional guidance pertaining to third party contracting is contained in the FTA's "Best Practices Procurement Manual." The Department cautions, however, that FTA's "Best Practices Procurement Manual" focuses mainly on third party procurement processes and may omit certain other Federal requirements applicable to the work to be performed.

(b) <u>Sub-agreements</u>. Because Project activities performed by a

Sub-contractor/ sub-recipient must comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives except to the extent that FTA or the Department determines otherwise in writing, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1 <u>Written Sub-agreement</u>. The Contractor agrees to enter

into a written agreement with each subrecipient (sub-agreement) stating the terms and conditions of assistance by which the Project will be undertaken and completed.

2 <u>Compliance with Federal Requirements</u>. The Contractor

agrees to implement the Project in a manner that will not compromise the Contractor's compliance with Federal

and State laws, regulations, and directives applicable to the Project and the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement for the Project and the FTA Master Agreement. Therefore, the Contractor agrees to include in each sub-agreement appropriate clauses directing the sub-recipient to comply with those requirements applicable to the Contractor imposed by this Agreement for the Project or the FTA Master Agreement and extend those requirements as necessary to any lower level sub-agreement or any third party contractor at each tier, except as FTA or the Department determines otherwise in writing.

h. <u>No Federal/State Government Obligations to Third Parties</u>. In connection

with performance of the Project, the Contractor agrees that, absent the Federal/State Government's express written consent, the Federal/State Government shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to any subrecipient, third party contractor, or other person or entity that is not a party to this Agreement for the Project. Notwithstanding that the Federal/State Government may have concurred in or approved any solicitation, subagreement, or third party contract, the Federal/State Government has no obligations or liabilities to such entity, including any subrecipient or third party contractor.

i. Reporting. Changes in Project Performance (i.e., Disputes, Breaches, Defaults, or

<u>Litigation</u>). The Contractor agrees to notify the Department immediately, in writing, of any change in local law, conditions (including its legal, financial, or technical capacity), or any other event that may adversely affect the Contractor's ability to perform the Project as provided in this Agreement for the Project. The Contractor also agrees to notify the Department immediately, in writing, of any current or prospective major dispute, breach, default, or litigation that may adversely affect the Federal/State Government's interests in the Project or the Federal/State Government's administration or enforcement of Federal/State laws or regulations; and agrees to inform the Department, also in writing, before naming the Federal or State Government as a party to litigation for any reason, in any forum.

j. <u>Limitations of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall be subject to the availability

of State funds and contingent upon the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

Section 3. Ethics.

a. <u>Code of Ethics</u>. The Contractor agrees to maintain a written code or standards of conduct that shall govern the actions of its officers, employees, board members, or agents engaged in the award or administration of third party contracts or sub-agreements financed with Federal/State assistance. The Contractor agrees that its code or standards of conduct shall specify that its officers, employees, board members, or agents may neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from any present or potential third party contractor at any tier or subrecipient at any tier or agent thereof. Such a conflict would arise when an employee, officer, board member, or agent, including any member of his or her immediate family,

partner, or organization that employs, or intends to employ, any of the parties listed herein has a financial interest in the firm selected for award. The Contractor may set de minimis rules where the financial interest is not substantial, or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal intrinsic value. The Contractor agrees that its code or standards shall also prohibit its officers, employees, board members, or agents from using their respective positions in a manner that presents a real or apparent personal or organizational conflict of interest or personal gain. As permitted by State or local law or regulations, the Contractor agrees that its code or standards of conduct shall include penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions for violations by its officers, employees, board members, or their agents, or its third party contractors or subrecipients or their agents.

1. Gifts. N.C.G.S. § 133-32 and Executive Order 24, of October 1, 2009 prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of this Agreement, Contractor attests, for its entire organization and its employees or agents, that it is not aware that any gift in violation of N.C.G.S. § 133-32 and Executive Order 24 has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of Contractor.

(1) <u>Personal Conflicts of Interest</u>. The Contractor agrees that its code or

standards of conduct shall prohibit the Contractor's employees, officers, board members, or agents from participating in the selection, award, or administration of any third party contract or subagreement supported by Federal/State assistance if a real or apparent conflict of interest would be involved. Such a conflict would arise when an employee, officer, board member, or agent, including any member of his or her immediate family, partner, or organization that employs, or intends to employ, any of the parties listed herein has a financial interest in the firm selected for award.

(2) <u>Organizational Conflicts of Interest</u>. The Contractor agrees that its

code or standards of conduct shall include procedures for identifying and preventing real and apparent organizational conflicts of interest. An organizational conflict of interest exists when the nature of the work to be performed under a proposed third party contract or subagreement may, without some restrictions on future activities, result in an unfair competitive advantage to the third party contractor or subrecipient or impair its objectivity in performing the contract work.

b. <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures

the compliance of each third party contractor and subrecipient at any tier, with Executive Orders Nos. 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension," 31 U.S.C. § 6101 note, and U.S. DOT regulations, "Government wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)," 49 C.F.R. Part 29. The Contractor agrees to, and assures that its third party contractors and subrecipients will, review the Excluded Parties Listing System at (http://epls.arnet.gov/) before entering into any contracts.

c. <u>Bonus or Commission</u>. The Contractor affirms that it has not paid, and

agrees not to pay, any bonus or commission to obtain approval of its State assistance application for the Project.

- d. <u>Lobbying Restrictions</u>. The Contractor agrees that:
 - (1) It will comply, and will assure the compliance of each third party

- contractor at any tier and each subrecipient at any tier, with U.S. DOT regulations, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," 49 C.F.R. Part 20, modified as necessary by 31 U.S.C. § 1352, and
- (2) To the extent applicable, it will comply with Federal/State laws and regulations prohibiting the use of Federal/State assistance for activities designed to influence Congress or a State legislature with respect to legislation or appropriations, except through proper, official channels.
- e. <u>Employee Political Activity</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees

to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 1501 through 1508, and 7324 through 7326, and U.S. Office of Personnel Management regulations, "Political Activity of State or Local Officers or Employees," 5 C.F.R. Part 151. The Hatch Act limits the political activities of State and local agencies and their officers and employees, whose principal employment activities are financed in whole or part with Federal funds including a Federal grant, cooperative agreement, or loan. Nevertheless, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 5307(k)(2)(B) and 23 U.S.C. § 142(g), the Hatch Act does not apply to a nonsupervisory employee of a public transportation system (or of any other agency or entity performing related functions) receiving FTA assistance to whom the Hatch Act would not otherwise apply.

f. <u>False or Fraudulent Statements or Claims</u>. The Contractor acknowledges

and agrees that:

- (1) <u>Civil Fraud</u>. The Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et seq., and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its activities in connection with the Project. By executing this Agreement for the Project, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement it has made, it makes, or it may make in connection with the Project. In addition to other penalties that may apply, the Contractor also understands that if it makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, certification, assurance, or representation to the Federal/State Government concerning the Project, the Federal/State Government reserves the right to impose on the Contractor the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, to the extent the Federal/State Government deems appropriate.
- (2) <u>Criminal Fraud.</u> If the Contractor makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent

claim, statement, submission, certification, assurance, or representation to the Federal/State Government or includes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in any agreement with the Federal/State Government in connection with a Project authorized under 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 or any other Federal law, the Federal/State Government reserves the right to impose on the Contractor the penalties of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(I), 18 U.S.C. § 1001 or other applicable Federal/State law to the extent the Federal/State Government deems appropriate.

Section 4. Project Expenditures.

a. <u>General</u>. The Department shall reimburse the Contractor for allowable costs

for work performed under the terms of this Agreement which shall be financed with State funds. The Contractor shall expend funds provided in this Agreement in accordance with the approved Project Budget, included as Attachment A to this Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the work conducted pursuant to this Agreement shall be done on an actual cost basis by the Contractor. **Expenditures submitted for reimbursement shall include all eligible cost incurred within the Period Covered.**The Period Covered represents the monthly or quarterly timeframe in which the project reports expenditures to the Department. The amount of reimbursement from the Department shall not exceed the funds budgeted in the approved Project Budget. The Contractor shall initiate and prosecute to completion all actions necessary to enable the Contractor to provide its share of project costs at or prior to the time that such funds are needed to meet project costs.

- b. Payment. In order to assist the Contractor in financing the costs of the project, the Department shall reimburse the Contractor up to the percentage specified in the Approved Project Budget of allowable administrative costs, which shall be determined by available funding. The Contractor shall submit itemized invoices to the Department not more frequently than monthly, nor less frequently than quarterly, reporting on the Department's Uniform Public Transportation Accounting System (UPTAS) invoicing forms furnished by the Department for work performed under this Agreement. Expenditures submitted for reimbursement shall include all eligible cost incurred within the Period Covered. Failure to request reimbursement for expenses incurred within the Period Covered may result in nonpayment. All requests for reimbursement must be submitted within (30) days following the end of the project's reporting period. Additional forms must be submitted with reimbursement requests to report on contracting activities with Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) and Minority Business and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) firms. Invoices shall be supported by documentation of costs unless otherwise waived by the Department. All requests must be submitted within thirty (30) days following the end of the quarter. Failure to request reimbursement for eligible projects costs as outlined may result in termination of the Project. Invoices shall be approved by the Department's Public Transportation Division and reviewed by the Department's External Audit Branch prior to payment. A retainage of five percent (5%) of the approved payment may be withheld until the approved Project is completed, accepted, and the final audit has been made.
- c. <u>Excluded Costs</u>. The Contractor understands and agrees that, except to the

extent the Department determines otherwise in writing, ineligible costs will be treated as follows:

(1) In determining the amount of State assistance the Department will

provide, the Department will exclude:

(a) Any Project cost incurred by the Contractor before the Effective

Date of the Grant;

(b) Any cost that is not included in the latest Approved Project

Budget;

(c) Any cost for Project property or services received in connection

with a third party contract or subagreement with a subrecipient that must be approved by the Department, or other arrangement required to be, but has not been, concurred in or approved in writing by the Department;

(d) Any non-project cost consistent with the prohibitions of 49 U.S.C.

§ 5323(h); and

(e) Any cost ineligible for Department participation as provided by

applicable Federal/State laws, regulations, or directives.

- The Contractor understands and agrees that payment to the Contractor for any Project cost does not constitute the State Government's final decision about whether that cost is allowable and eligible for payment and does not constitute a waiver of any violation by the Contractor of the terms of this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges that the State Government will not make a final determination about the allowability and eligibility of any cost until an audit of the Project has been completed. If the State Government determines that the Contractor is not entitled to receive any portion of the State assistance the Contractor has requested or provided, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing, stating its reasons. The Contractor agrees that Project closeout will not alter the Contractor's responsibility to return any funds due the State Government as a result of later refunds, corrections, or other transactions; nor will Project closeout alter the State Government's right to disallow costs and recover funds on the basis of a later audit or other review. Unless prohibited by Federal/State law or regulation, the State Government may recover any State assistance funds made available for the Project as necessary to satisfy any outstanding monetary claims that the State Government may have against the Contractor.
- d. State Claims, Excess Payments, Disallowed Costs, including

Interest.

- (1) Contractor's Responsibility to Pay. Upon notification to the Contractor that specific amounts are owed to the State Government, whether for excess payments of State assistance, disallowed costs, or funds recovered from third parties or elsewhere, the Contractor agrees to remit to the Department promptly the amounts owed, including applicable interest and any penalties and administrative charges.
- (2) Amount of Interest. The Contractor agrees to remit to the Department interest owed as determined in accordance with N.C.G.S. 147-86.23.
- e. <u>De-obligation of Funds</u>. The Contractor agrees that the

Department

may de-obligate unexpended State funds before Project closeout.

Section 5. Accounting Records.

a. <u>Establishment and Maintenance of Accounting Records</u>. The Contractor

shall establish and maintain separate accounts for the public transportation program, either independently or within the existing accounting system. All costs charged to the program shall be in accordance with most current approved Project Budget and shall be reported to the Department in accordance with UPTAS.

- b. <u>Documentation of Project Costs</u>. All costs charged to the Project, including
- c. any approved services performed by the Contractor or others, shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, or vouchers evidencing in detail the nature and propriety of the charges, as referenced in 49 C.F.R. 18, and 2 CFR 200 the "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (formerly OMB Circulars A-87 and A-102).
- d. <u>Allowable Costs</u>. Expenditures made by the Contractor shall be reimbursed

as allowable costs to the extent they meet all of the requirements set forth below. They must be:

- (1) Consistent with the Project Description, plans, specifications, and
- (2) Project Budget and all other provisions of this Agreement;
- (3) Necessary in order to accomplish the Project;
- (4) Reasonable in amount for the goods or services purchased;
- (5) Actual net costs to the Contractor, i.e., the price paid minus any refunds (e.g., refundable sales and use taxes pursuant to N.C.G.S. 105-164.14), rebates, or other items of value received by the Contractor that have the effect of reducing the cost actually incurred;
- (6) Incurred (and be for work performed) within the period of performance
- of this Agreement unless specific authorization from the Department to the contrary is received;
- (7) In conformance with the standards for allowability of costs set forth in 2 CFR 200, subpart E – Cost Principles (formerly OMB Circular A-87).
- (8) Satisfactorily documented; and
- (9) Treated uniformly and consistently under accounting principles and

procedures approved or prescribed by the Department.

Section 6. Reporting, Record Retention, and Access

a. Reports. The Contractor shall advise the Department regarding the progress

of the Project at a minimum quarterly and at such time and in such a manner as the Department may require. Such reporting and documentation may include, but not limited to: operating statistics, equipment usage, meetings, progress reports, and monthly performance reports.

The Contractor shall collect and submit to the Department at such time

as it may require, such financial statements, data, records, contracts, and other documents related to the Project as may be deemed necessary by the Department. Such reports shall include narrative and financial statements of sufficient substance to be in conformance with the reporting requirements of the Department. Progress reports throughout the useful life of the project equipment shall be used, in part, to document utilization of the project equipment. Failure to fully utilize the project equipment in the manner directed by the Department shall constitute a breach of contract, and after written notification by the Department, may result in termination of the Agreement or any such remedy as the Department deems appropriate.

The Contractor will be responsible for having an adequate cost accounting system, and the ongoing burden of proof of adequacy for such system shall be upon the Contractor. The Department will determine whether or not the Contractor has an adequate cost accounting system. Such determination shall be documented initially prior to payment of any invoices pursuant to the Agreement, and from time to time as deemed necessary by the Department. In the event of a negative finding during such determining proceedings, the Department may suspend, revoke, or place conditions upon its determination, and/or may recommend or require remedial actions as appropriate.

b. <u>Record Retention</u>. The Contractor and its third party contractors shall retain

all records pertaining to this Project for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment to the Contractor, or until all audit exceptions have been resolved, whichever is longer, in accordance with "Records Retention and Disposition Schedule – Public Transportation Systems and Authorities, April 1, 2006," at (http://www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/records/local/).

c. <u>Access to Records of Contractor and Subcontractors</u>. The Contractor shall

permit and shall require its third party contractors to permit the Department or its authorized representatives to inspect all work, materials, payrolls, and other data and records with regard to the Project, and to audit the books, records, and accounts of the Contractor pertaining to the Project. The Department shall reserve the right to reject any and all materials and workmanship for defects and incompatibility with Project Description or excessive cost. The Department shall notify the Contractor, in writing, if materials and/or workmanship are found to be unacceptable. The Contractor shall have ninety (90) days from notification to correct defects or to provide acceptable materials and/or workmanship. Failure by the Contractor to provide acceptable materials and/or workmanship, or to correct noted defects, shall constitute a breach of contract.

d. <u>Project Closeout</u>. The Contractor agrees that Project closeout does not alter

the reporting and record retention requirements of this Section 6 of this Agreement.

Section 7. Project Completion, Audit, Settlement, and Closeout.

<u>Project Completion</u>. Within thirty (30) calendar days following Project completion, the end of the Project's period of performance, or termination by the Department, the Contractor agrees to submit a final reimbursement request to the Department for eligible Project expenses.

a. Financial Reporting and Audit Requirements. In accordance with 2

CFR 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (formerly OMB Circular A-133) and N.C.G.S. 159-34, the Contractor shall have its accounts audited as soon as possible after the close of each fiscal year by an independent auditor. The Contractor agrees to submit the required number of copies of the audit-reporting package to the Local Government Commission four months after the Contractor's fiscal year-end.

- b. <u>Audit Costs</u>. Unless prohibited by law, the costs of audits made in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200 Subpart E "Cost Principles" are allowable charges to State awards. The charges may be considered a direct cost or an allocated indirect cost, as determined in accordance with cost principles outlined 2 CFR 200.412 200.415, Subpart E, The cost of any audit not conducted in accordance with 2 CFR 200 and N.C.G.S. 159-34 is unallowable and shall not be charged to State grants.
- c. <u>Funds Owed to the Department</u>. The Contractor agrees to remit to the

Department any excess payments made to the Contractor, any costs disallowed by the Department, and any amounts recovered by the Contractor from third parties or from other sources, as well as any penalties and any interest required by Subsection 4d of this Agreement.

d. Project Closeout. Project closeout occurs when the Department issues the final project payment or acknowledges that the Contractor has remitted the proper refund. The Contractor agrees that Project closeout by the Department does not invalidate any continuing requirements imposed by this Agreement. The Contractor agrees that Project closeout does not alter the reporting and record retention requirements of this Section 10 of this Agreement.

As permitted by Federal/The Contractor agrees that its code or standards of conduct shall prohibit the Contractor's employees, officers, board members, or agents from participating in the selection, award, or administration of any third party contract or subagreement supported by State assistance if a real or apparent conflict of interest would be involved. The Contractor agrees that its The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures The Contractor affirms that it has not paid, and (2)

To the extent applicable, it will comply with

Federal/State laws and regulations prohibiting the use of State assistance for activities designed to influence Congress or a State legislature with respect to legislation or appropriations, except through proper, official channels.

e. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that:

In addition to other penalties that may apply, the Contractor also understands that if it makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, certification, assurance, or representation to the State Government concerning the Project, the State Government reserves the right to impose on the Contractor the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, to the extent the State Government deems appropriate.

(3) If the Contractor makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, certification, assurance, or representation to the State Government or includes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in any agreement with the

Section 15. Civil Rights. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable civil rights laws and implementing regulations including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. <u>Nondiscrimination in Public Transportation Programs</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each third party contractor at any tier and each subrecipient at any tier of the Project, with the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5332, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age, and prohibits discrimination in employment or business opportunity.
- b. Nondiscrimination Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each third party contractor at any tier and each subrecipient at any tier of the Project, with all provisions prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq., and with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil

- Rights Act," 49 C.F.R. Part 21.
- Equal Employment Opportunity. The Contractor agrees to comply, C. and assures the compliance of each third party contractor at any tier of the Project and each subrecipient at any tier of the Project, with all equal employment opportunity (EEO) provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5332, with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and implementing Federal regulations and any subsequent The Contractor agrees that it will not amendments thereto. discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, sex, disability, age, or national origin. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, creed, sex, disability, age, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation.
- d. Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE).
 - (1) <u>Policy</u>. It is the policy of the North Carolina Department of Transportation that Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises (MBE/WBEs) as defined in *NCGS 136-28.4* shall have the equal opportunity to compete fairly for and to participate in the performance of contracts financed by State Funds. The Contractor is also encouraged to give every opportunity to allow MBE/WBE participation in Supplemental Agreements.
 - (2) Obligation. The Contractor, sub-consultant, and subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, national origin, sex, handicapping condition or age in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall comply with applicable requirements of NCGS 136-28.4 in the award and administration of federally assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to comply with these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which will result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as the Department deems necessary.

- (3) <u>Goals</u>. Even though specific MBE/WBE goals are not established for this project, the Department encourages the Contractor to have participation from MBE/WBE contractors and/or suppliers.
- (4) <u>Listing of MBE/WBE Sub-contractors</u>. The Contractor at the time the Letter of Interest is submitted, shall submit a listing of all known MBE/WBE contractors that will participate in the performance of the identified work. The participation shall be submitted on the Department's Form RS-2. In the event the contractor has no MBE/WBE participation, the contractor shall indicate this on the Form RS-2 by entering the word 'None' or the number 'zero' and the form shall be signed. Form RS-2 may be accessed on the website at https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/quickfind/forms/Default.aspx.
- (5) <u>Certified Transportation Firms Directory</u>. Real-time information about contractors doing business with the Department and contractors that are certified through North Carolina's Unified Certification Program is available in the Directory of Transportation Firms. The Directory can be accessed by the link on the Department's homepage or by entering https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/directory in the address bar of your web browser. Only firms identified as MBE/WBE certified in the Directory shall be listed in the proposal.

The listing of an individual firm in the Department's directory shall not be construed as an endorsement of the contractor's capability to perform certain work.

(6) Reporting MBE/WBE Enterprise Participation. When payments are made to MBE/WBE contractors, including material suppliers, contractors at all levels (Contractor, sub-consultant or sub-contractor) shall provide the Contract Administrator with an accounting of said payments. The accounting shall be listed on the Department's Subcontractor Payment Information Form (Form DBE-IS). In the event the contractor has no MBE/WBE participation, the contractor shall indicate this on the Form DBE-IS by entering the word 'None' or the number 'zero' and the form shall be signed. Form DBE-IS may be accessed on the website at

https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/quickfind/forms/Default.aspx.

A responsible fiscal officer of the payee Contractor, sub-consultant or subcontractor who can attest to the date and amounts of the payments shall certify that the accounting is correct. A copy of an acceptable report may be obtained from the Department of Transportation. This information shall be submitted as part of the requests for payments made to the Department.

- Access for Individuals with Disabilities. The Contractor agrees to e. comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5301(d), which states the Federal policy that elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities have the same right as other individuals to use public transportation services and facilities, and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement transportation accessibility rights for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, with 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability; with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seg., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities; and with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to individuals with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal regulations and directives and any subsequent amendments thereto, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing, as follows:
 - (1) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 C.F.R. Part 37;
 - (2) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. Part 27;
 - (3) Joint U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (U.S. ATBCB)/U.S. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 36 C.F.R. Part 1192 and 49 C.F.R. Part 38;

- (4) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 C.F.R. Part 35:
- (5) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 C.F.R. Part 36;
- (6) U.S. General Services Administration (U.S. GSA) regulations, "Accommodations for the Physically Handicapped," 41 C.F.R. Subpart 101-19;
- (7) U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630;
- (8) U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations,
 "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer
 Premises Equipment for the Hearing and Speech Disabled," 47
 C.F.R. Part 64, Subpart F; and
- (9) U.S. ATBCB regulations, "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards," 36 C.F.R. Part 1194;
- (10) FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 C.F.R. Part 609; and
- (11) Federal civil rights and nondiscrimination directives implementing the foregoing regulations.
- f. <u>Drug or Alcohol Abuse-Confidentiality and Other Civil Rights Protections</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the confidentiality and other civil rights protections of the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, 21 U.S.C. §§ 1174 et seq., with the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4581 et seq., and with the Public Health Service Act of 1912, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 290dd-3 and 290ee-3, and any subsequent amendments to these acts.
- g. Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency. To the extent applicable and except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing, the Contractor agrees to comply with

the policies of Executive Order No. 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-1 note, and with the provisions of U.S. DOT Notice, "DOT Guidance to Recipients on Special Language Services to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Beneficiaries," 66 Fed. Reg. 6733 et seq., January 22, 2001.

- h. <u>Environmental Justice</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with the policies of Executive Order No. 12898, "Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations," 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note, except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing.
- i. Other Nondiscrimination Laws. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of other Federal laws, regulations, and directives pertaining to and prohibiting discrimination that are applicable, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing.

Section 9. Planning and Private Enterprise.

a. <u>General</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to implement the

Project in a manner consistent with the plans developed in compliance with the Federal planning and private enterprise provisions of the following: (1) Federal Transit law, specifically, 49 U.S.C. §§ 5303, 5304, 5306, and 5323(a)(1); (2) the joint Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)/FTA document, "Interim Guidance for Implementing Key SAFETEA-LU Provisions on Planning, Environment, and Air Quality for Joint FHWA/FTA Authorities," dated September 2, 2005, and subsequent Federal directives implementing SAFETEA-LU, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing; (3) joint FHWA/FTA regulations, "Planning Assistance and Standards," 23 C.F.R. Part 450 and 49 C.F.R. Part 613 to the extent that those regulations are consistent with the SAFETEA-LU amendments to public transportation planning and private enterprise laws, and subsequent amendments to those regulations that may be

promulgated; and (4) FTA regulations, "Major Capital Investment Projects," 49 C.F.R. Part 611, to the extent that those regulations are consistent with the SAFETEA-LU amendments to the public transportation planning and private enterprise laws, and any subsequent amendments to those regulations that may be subsequently promulgated.

b. Governmental and Private Nonprofit Providers of Nonemergency
Transportation. In addition to providing opportunities to participate in
planning as described in Subsection 9a of this Agreement, to the extent
feasible the Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of 49 U.S.C. §
5323(k), which afford governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations
that receive Federal assistance for nonemergency transportation from
Federal Government sources (other than U.S. DOT) an opportunity to be
included in the design, coordination, and planning of transportation services.

Section 10. Preference for United States Products and

<u>Services</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with U.S. domestic preference requirements.

Section 11. <u>Procurement</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following third party procurement provisions:

a. <u>Federal and State Standards</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with

party procurement requirements of 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 and other applicable Federal laws in effect now or as subsequently enacted; with U.S. DOT third party procurement regulations of 49 C.F.R. §§ 18.36 and other applicable Federal regulations pertaining to third party procurements and subsequent amendments thereto, to the extent those regulations are consistent with SAFETEA-LU provisions; and Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The Contractor also agrees to comply with the provisions of FTA Circular 4220.1E, "Third Party Contracting Requirements," to the extent those provisions are consistent with SAFETEA-LU provisions and with any subsequent amendments thereto, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing. Although the FTA "Best Practices Procurement Manual" provides additional procurement guidance, the Contractor understands that the FTA "Best Practices Procurement Manual" is focused on third party procurement processes and may omit certain Federal requirements applicable to the third party contract work to be performed. The Contractor shall establish written procurement procedures that comply with the required Federal and State standards.

b. <u>Full and Open Competition</u>. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 5325(a), the

Contractor agrees to conduct all procurement transactions in a manner that provides full and open competition as determined by the Department.

c. <u>Exclusionary or Discriminatory Specifications</u>. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the Contractor agrees

to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5325(h) by not using any assistance awarded by the Department to support a procurement using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

d. <u>Geographic Restrictions</u>. The Contractor agrees that it will not use any State

or local geographic preference, except State or local geographic preferences expressly mandated or as permitted by the Department.

- e. <u>Department Pre-award Approval</u>. The Contractor agrees to submit procurement documents to the Department for its review and approval prior to award of a contract/subcontract under this Agreement for any of the following:
 - (1) Any "brand name" product or sole source purchase equal to or greater

than \$2,500;

(2) Any contract/subcontract to other than apparent lowest bidder equal to

or greater than \$2,500;

- (3) Any procurement equal to or greater than \$90,000;
- (3) Any contract modification that would change the scope of a contract or

increase the contract amount up to or over the formal (sealed) bid threshold of \$90,000.

f. <u>Project Approval/Third Party Contract Approval</u>. Except to the extent the

Department determines otherwise in writing, the Contractor agrees that the Department's award of State assistance for the Project does not, by itself, constitute pre-approval of any non-competitive third party contract associated with the Project.

g. <u>Preference for Recycled Products</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor

agrees to comply with U.S. EPA regulations, "Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines for Products Containing Recovered Materials," 40 C.F.R. Part 247, which implements Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6962, and with subsequent Federal regulations that may be promulgated. Accordingly, the Contractor agrees to provide a competitive preference for products and services that conserve natural resources, protect the environment, and are energy efficient.

h. <u>Clean Air and Clean Water</u>. The Contractor agrees to include in each third

party contract and subagreement exceeding \$100,000 adequate provisions to ensure that each Project participant will agree to report the use of facilities placed on or likely to be placed on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) "List of Violating Facilities," to not use any violating facilities, to report violations to the Department and the Regional U.S. EPA Office, and to comply with the inspection and other applicable requirements of:

(1) Section 306 of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7414, and

other applicable provisions of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 through 7671q; and

(2) Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §

1368.

and other applicable requirements of the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 through 1377.

 National Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture and Standards. To

the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to conform to the National Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture and Standards as required by SAFETEA-LU § 5307(c), 23 U.S.C. § 512 note, and comply with FTA Notice, "FTA National ITS Architecture Policy on Transit Projects" 66 Fed. Reg. 1455 et seq., January 8, 2001, and any subsequent further implementing directives, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing.

j. <u>Competitive Proposal/Request for Proposal (RFP)</u>. The competitive proposal/

request for proposal (RFP) method of procurement is normally conducted with more than one source submitting an offer, i.e., proposal. Either a fixed price or cost reimbursement type contract is awarded. This method of procurement is generally used when conditions are not appropriate for the use of sealed bids. The Contractor acknowledges that certain restrictions apply under North Carolina law for use of the RFP method and these restrictions and exceptions are discussed below.

(1) The Contractor agrees that the RFP Method may not be used in lieu of

an invitation for bids (IFB) for:

- (a) Construction/repair work; or
- (a) Purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials or equipment.

 See next Subsection, this Agreement, regarding information technology goods as services.
- (2) The Contractor agrees that the RFP method of solicitation may be

used (in addition to or instead of any other procedure available under North Carolina law) for the procurement of information technology goods and services [as defined in N.C.G.S. 147-33.81(2)]. This applies to electronic data processing goods and services, telecommunications goods and services, security goods and services, microprocessors, software, information processing, office systems, any services related to the foregoing, and consulting or other services for design or redesign of information technology supporting business processes. The Contractor will comply with the following minimum requirements [N.C.G.S. 143-129.8]:

(a) Notice of the request for proposals shall be given in accordance

with N.C.G.S. 143-129(b).

(b) Contracts shall be awarded to the person or entity that submits

the best overall proposal as determined by the awarding authority. Factors to be considered in awarding contracts shall be identified in the request for proposals.

- (c) The Contractor may use procurement methods set forth in
- N.C.G.S. 143-135.9 in developing and evaluating requests for

proposals.

(d) The Contractor may negotiate with any proposer in order to

obtain a final contract that best meets the needs of the Contractor.

(e) Any negotiations shall not alter the contract beyond the scope of

the original request for proposals in a manner that deprives the proposers or potential proposers of a fair opportunity to compete for the contract; and would have resulted in the award of the contract to a different person or entity if the alterations had been included in the request for proposals.

- (f) Proposals submitted shall not be subject to public inspection until
- a contract is awarded.
- (3) The Contractor agrees that the RFP method, in accordance with FTA

Circular 4220.1E, under the guidelines of FTA "Best Practices Procurement Manual," should be used for procurements of professional services, such as consultants for planning activities and for transit system operations/management. The Contractor acknowledges that certain restrictions apply under North Carolina law for use of the RFP method and these restrictions and exceptions are discussed in Subsections 11j(1) and 11j(2) of this Agreement.

- (4) When the RFP method is used for procurement of professional services, the Contractor agrees to abide by the following minimum requirements:
 - (a) Normally conducted with more than one source submitting an

offer (proposal);

(b) Either fixed price or cost reimbursement type contract will be

used;

(c) Generally used when conditions are not appropriate for use of

sealed bids;

- (d) Requests for proposals will be publicized;
- (d) All evaluation factors will be identified along with their relative

importance;

- (e) Proposals will be solicited from an adequate number (3 is recommended) of qualified sources;
- (f) A standard method must be in place for conducting technical

evaluations of the proposals received and for selecting awardees;

(g) Awards will be made to the responsible firm whose proposal is

most advantageous to the Contractor's program with price and other factors considered; and

- (h) In determining which proposal is most advantageous, the Contractor may award to the proposer whose proposal offers the greatest business value (best value) to the agency. "Best value" is based on determination of which proposal offers the best tradeoff between price and performance, where quality is considered an integral performance factor.
 - Award to Other than the Lowest Bidder. In accordance with State statutes, a

third party contract may be awarded to other than the lowest bidder, if the award furthers an objective (such as improved long-term operating efficiency and lower long-term costs). When specified in bidding documents, factors such as discounts, transportation costs, and life cycle costs will be considered in determining which bid is lowest. Prior to the award of any contract equal to or greater than \$2,500 to other than apparent lowest bidder, the Contractor shall submit its recommendation along with basis/reason for selection to the Department for pre-award approval.

I. <u>Award to Responsible Contractors</u>. The Contractor agrees to award third

party contracts only to responsible contractors who possess potential ability to successfully perform under the terms and conditions of the proposed procurement. Consideration will be given to such matters as contractor integrity, compliance with public policy, record of past performance, and financial and technical resources. Contracts will not be awarded to parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs or activities in accordance with the Federal debarment and suspension rule, 49 C.F.R. 29. procurements over \$25,000, the Contractor shall comply, and assure the compliance of each third party contractor and subrecipient at any tier, with the debarment and suspension rule. FTA and the Department recommend that grantees use a certification form for projects over \$25,000, which are funded with Federal and/or State funds. A sample certification form can be obtained from the Department. The Contractor also agrees to check a potential contractor's debarment/suspension status at the following Web site: http://epls.arnet.gov/.

m. <u>Contract Administration System</u>. The Contractor shall maintain a contract

administration system that ensures that contractors/subcontractors perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders.

Access to Third Party Contract Records. The Contractor agrees, and agrees

to require its third party contractors and third party subcontractors, at as many tiers of the Project as required, to provide to the State awarding agencies or their duly authorized representatives, access to all third party contract records to the extent required by 49 U.S.C. § 5325(g), and retain such documents for at least five (5) years after project completion.

Section 12. Leases.

a. <u>Capital Leases</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply

with FTA regulations, "Capital Leases," 49 C.F.R. Part 639, and any revision thereto.

b. <u>Leases Involving Certificates of Participation</u>. The Contractor agrees

obtain the Department's concurrence before entering into any leasing arrangement involving the issuance of certificates of participation in connection with the acquisition of any capital asset.

Section 13. Hold Harmless. Except as prohibited or otherwise limited by State law or except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing, upon request by the State Government, the Contractor agrees to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the State Government and its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under the Project. The Contractor shall not be required to indemnify the State Government for any such liability caused by the wrongful acts of State employees or agents.

Section 14. <u>Use of Real Property, Equipment, and Supplies</u>. The Contractor understands and agrees that the State Government retains a State interest in any real property, equipment, and supplies financed with State assistance (Project property) until, and to the extent, that the State Government relinquishes its State interest in that Project property. With respect to any Project property financed with State assistance under this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following provisions of this Agreement, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing:

a. <u>Use of Project Property</u>. The Contractor agrees to use Project property for

appropriate Project purposes (which may include joint development purposes that generate program income, both during and after the award period and used to support public transportation activities) for the duration of the useful life of that property, as required by the Department. Should the Contractor unreasonably delay or fail to use Project property during the useful life of that property, the Contractor agrees that it may be required to return the entire amount of the State assistance expended on that property. The Contractor further agrees to notify the Department immediately when any Project property is withdrawn from Project use or when any Project property is used in a manner substantially different from the representations the Contractor has made in its Application or in the Project Description for this Agreement for the Project.

b. <u>General</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with the property management

standards of 49 C.F.R. §§ 18.31 through 18.33, including any amendments thereto, and with other applicable Federal and State regulations and directives. Any exception to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. §§ 18.31 through 18.33 requires the express approval of the Department in writing.

c. <u>Records</u>. The Contractor agrees to keep satisfactory records pertaining to

the use of Project property, and submit to the Department upon request such information as may be required to assure compliance with this Section 14 of this Agreement.

- d. <u>Encumbrance of Project Property</u>. The Contractor agrees to maintain satisfactory continuing control of Project property as follows:
 - (1) Written Transactions. The Contractor agrees that it will not execute

any transfer of title, lease, lien, pledge, mortgage, encumbrance, third

party contract, subagreement, grant anticipation note, alienation, innovative finance arrangement (such as a cross border lease, leveraged lease, or otherwise), or any other obligation pertaining to Project property, that in any way would affect the continuing State interest in that Project property.

(2) <u>Oral Transactions</u>. The Contractor agrees that it will not obligate itself

in any manner to any third party with respect to Project property.

(3) Other Actions. The Contractor agrees that it will not take any action

adversely affecting the State interest in or impair the Contractor's continuing control of the use of Project property.

e. <u>Insurance Proceeds</u>. If the Contractor receives insurance proceeds as a

result of damage or destruction to the Project property, the Contractor agrees to:

- (1) Apply those insurance proceeds to the cost of replacing the damaged
- or destroyed Project property taken out of service, or
- (2) Return to the Department an amount equal to the remaining State

interest in the damaged or destroyed Project property.

f. <u>Misused or Damaged Project Property</u>. If any damage to Project property

results from abuse or misuse occurring with the Contractor's knowledge and consent, the Contractor agrees to restore the Project property to its original condition or refund the value of the State interest in that property, as the Department may require.

g. <u>Responsibilities after Project Closeout</u>. The Contractor agrees that Project

closeout by the Department will not change the Contractor's Project property management responsibilities as stated in Section 14 of this Agreement, and as may be set forth in subsequent Federal and State laws, regulations, and directives, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing.

. Insurance & Real Property.

The Contractor shall be responsible for protecting the state and/or federal financial interest in the facility construction/renovation and equipment purchased under this Agreement throughout the useful life. The Contractor shall provide, as frequently and in such manner as the Department may require written documentation that the facility and equipment are insured against loss in an amount equal to or greater than the state and/or federal share of the real value of the facility or equipment. Failure of the Contractor to provide adequate insurance shall be considered a breach of contract and, after notification may result in termination of this Agreement.

In addition to other insurance requirements that may apply, the Contractor agrees as follows:

a. <u>Minimum Requirements</u>. At a minimum, the Contractor agrees to comply with the insurance requirements normally imposed by North Carolina State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances, except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing.

- b. <u>Flood Hazards</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the flood insurance purchase provisions of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. § 4012a(a), with respect to any Project activity involving construction or an acquisition having an insurable cost of \$10,000 or more.
- **Section 16.** Relocation. When relocation of individuals or businesses is required, the Contractor agrees as follows:
- a. Relocation Protections. The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5324(a), which requires compliance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4601 et seq.; and U.S. DOT regulations, "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs," 49 C.F.R. Part 24, which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced and persons whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally assisted programs. [See, new U.S. DOT final rule, "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs," 49 C.F.R. Part 24, at 70 Fed. Reg. 590 et seq., January 4, 2005.] These requirements apply to relocation in connection with all interests in real property acquired for the Project regardless of Federal participation in the costs of that real property.
- b. <u>Nondiscrimination in Housing</u>. In carrying out its responsibilities to provide housing that may be required for compliance with Federal relocation requirements for individuals, the Contractor agrees to comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq., and with Executive Order No. 12892, "Leadership and Coordination of Fair Housing in Federal Programs: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing," 42 U.S.C. § 3608 note.
- c. <u>Prohibition Against Use of Lead-Based Paint</u>. In undertaking construction or rehabilitation of residential structures on behalf of individuals affected by real property acquisition in connection with implementing the Project, the Contractor agrees that it will not use lead-based paint, consistent with the prohibitions of Section 401(b) of the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4831(b), and the provisions of U.S. Housing and Urban Development regulations, "Lead-based Paint Poisoning in Certain Residential Structures,"

Section 17. Real Property. For real property acquired with Federal assistance, the Contractor agrees as follows:

a. <u>Land Acquisition</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5324(a), which requires compliance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4601 et seq.; and with U.S. DOT regulations, "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs," 49 C.F.R. Part 24. [See, new U.S. DOT final rule, "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs," 49 C.F.R. Part 24, 70 Fed. Reg. 590 et seq., January 4, 2005.] These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for Project purposes regardless of Federal participation in the cost of that real property.

- b. <u>Covenant Assuring Nondiscrimination</u>. The Contractor agrees to include a covenant in the title of the real property acquired for the Project to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the Project.
- c. Recording Title to Real Property. To the extent required by FTA and the Department, the Contractor agrees to record the Federal and State interest in title to real property used in connection with the Project And/or execute at the request of the Department any instrument or documents evidencing or related to the State's interest in the Project's property.
 - (1) As a condition of its participation in a Facility Project, the Department will retain a secured interest in the Project for the estimated life of the Project, expected to be forty (40) years, following completion of the Project; or the prorated share of the original investment or current fair market value (the higher value of the two); whichever come first.
- d. <u>Department Approval of Changes in Real Property Ownership</u>. The Contractor agrees that it will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title, or other interest in the site and facilities used in the Project without prior written permission and instructions from the Department.

e. Disposal of Real Property

- (1) If useful life is not attained, upon the sale or disposition of any Project facility, the Department shall be entitled to a refund of the original state and/or federal investment or the state and/or federal prorated share of the current fair market value of the project facility, whichever is greater.
- (2) For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "any sale or disposition of the Project facility" shall mean any sale or disposition of the facility for a use not consistent with purposes for which the state and/or federal share was originally granted pursuant to the Project Agreement, or for a use consistent with such purposes wherein the transferee in the sale or disposition does not enter into an assignment and assumption agreement with the Contractor with respect to the Contractor's obligation under this Agreement or the Grant Agreement, so that the transferee becomes obligated as if the transferee had been the original party.

Section 18. Construction. Except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- a. <u>Drafting, Review, and Approval of Construction Plans and Specifications</u>. The Contractor agrees to submit drawings, designs, and/or description of work for construction, renovation, or facility improvement projects, including the purchase or construction of bus shelters to the Department for its review and approval prior to solicitation.
- b. <u>MBE/WBE/DBE Participation</u>. The Contractor agrees to record and report Minority-owned Business good faith efforts in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-128.2(f).
- c. <u>Supervision of Construction</u>. The Contractor agrees to provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms to the approved plans and specifications.
- d. <u>Construction Reports</u>. The Contractor agrees to provide progress reports and other data and information as may be required by the Department.
- e. <u>Project Management for Major Capital Projects</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with FTA regulations, "Project Management Oversight," 49 C.F.R. Part 633, and any subsequent Project Management Oversight regulations FTA may issue.

f. <u>Seismic Safety</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7701 et seq., with Executive Order No. 12699, "Seismic Safety of Federal and Federally-Assisted or Regulated New Building Construction," 42 U.S.C. § 7704 note, and with U.S. DOT regulations, "Seismic Safety," 49 C.F.R. Part 41, specifically, 49 C.F.R. § 41.117.

Section 19. Employee Protections.

- a. <u>Construction Activities</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each third party contractor and each sub-recipient at any tier of the Project, with the following laws and regulations providing protections for construction employees:
- (1) <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u>, as amended, 49 U.S.C. § 5333(a), which requires compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141 et seq., and implementing U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. Part 5;
- (2) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701 et seq., specifically, the wage and hour requirements of Section 102 of that Act at 40 U.S.C. § 3702, and implementing U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. Part 5; and the safety requirements of Section 107 of that Act at 40 U.S.C. § 3704, and implementing U.S. DOL regulations, "Safety and Health Regulations for Construction," 29 C.F.R. Part 1926; and
- (3) Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act, as amended, 18 U.S.C. § 874, and implementing U.S. DOL regulations, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in part by Loans or Grants from the United States," 29 C.F.R. Part 3.
- b. Activities Not Involving Construction. The Contractor agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each third party contractor and each sub-recipient at any tier of the Project, with the employee protection requirements for non-construction employees of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701 et seq., in particular the wage and hour requirements of Section 102 of that Act at 40 U.S.C. § 3702, and with U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. Part 5.
- c. <u>Activities Involving Commerce</u>. The Contractor agrees that the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201 et seq., apply to employees performing Project work involving commerce.
- d. <u>Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements for Projects in Non-urbanized Areas Authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5310</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the Special Warranty for the Non-urbanized Updated 02/22/13

Area Program agreed to by the U.S. Secretaries of Transportation and Labor, dated May 31, 1979, U.S. DOL implementing procedures, and any revisions thereto.

Section 20. Environmental Protections.

- General. The Contractor recognizes that many Federal and State law imposing environmental and resource conservation requirements may apply to the Project. Some, but not all, of the major Federal and State laws that may affect the Project include: the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act of 1971 (N.C.G.S. 113A); the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 through 4335; the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 through 7671q and scattered sections of Title 29, United States Code; the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 through 1377; the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901 through 6992k; the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 through 9675, as well as environmental provisions within Title 23. United States Code, and 49 U.S.C. chapter 53. The Contractor also recognizes that U.S. EPA, FHWA and other Federal agencies have issued, and in the future are expected to issue, Federal regulations and directives that may affect the Project. Thus, the Contractor agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each subrecipient and each third party contractor, with any applicable Federal and State laws, regulations and directives in effect now or become effective in the future, except to the extent the Department determines otherwise in writing.
- b. <u>Mitigation of Adverse Environmental Effects.</u> Should the proposed Project

cause or result in adverse environmental effects, the Contractor agrees to take all reasonable measures to minimize the impact of those adverse effects, as required by 49 U.S.C. § 5324(b), and other applicable Federal laws and regulations, including 23 C.F.R. Part 771 and 49 C.F.R. Part 622. The Contractor agrees to comply with all environmental mitigation measures that may be identified as commitments in applicable environmental documents, (i.e., environmental assessments, environmental impact statements, memoranda of agreement, and other documents as required by 49 U.S.C. § 303) and agrees to comply with any conditions the Federal Government might impose in a finding of no significant impact or record of decision. The Contractor agrees that those environmental mitigation measures are incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement for the Project. The Contractor also agrees that any deferred mitigation measures will be incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement for the Project as soon as agreement with the Federal Government is reached. The Contractor agrees that those mitigation measures agreed upon may not be modified or withdrawn without the express written approval of the Department.

Section 21. <u>Energy Conservation</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the North Carolina Energy Policy Act of 1975 (N.C.G.S. 113B) issued in accordance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6321 et seq., except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing.

Section 22. <u>Charter Service Operations</u>. FTA defines charter service as transportation using vehicles (buses or vans), equipment, or facilities funded under the Federal Mass Transit Act for a group of persons who pursuant to a common purpose,

under a single contract, at a fixed charged for the vehicle or service, have acquired the exclusive use of the vehicle or service to travel together under an itinerary either specified in advance or modified after having left the place of origin. The Contractor acknowledges that Federal and State requirements prohibit the use of vehicles, facilities, equipment, and supplies funded by Federal or State grant programs for the provision of charter services unless it is determined that there are no willing and able charter operators in the service area. Federal law does not provide exceptions to these regulations for vehicles that are loaned or leased to other agencies or entities. The Contractor agrees that neither it nor any public transportation operator performing work in connection with a Project financed under 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 will engage in charter service operations, except as authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5323(d) and FTA regulations, "Charter Service," 49 C.F.R. Part 604, and any subsequent Charter Service regulations or FTA directives that may be issued, except to the extent that the Department determines otherwise in writing. Any charter service agreement required by FTA regulations is incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement for the The Contractor understands and agrees that in addition to any remedy specified in the charter service agreement, if a pattern of violations of that agreement is found, the violator will be barred from receiving Federal or State transit assistance in an amount to be determined by the Department.

Section 23. <u>School Transportation Operations</u>. The Contractor agrees that neither it nor

any public transportation operator performing work in connection with a Project financed with Federal or State funds will engage in school transportation operations for the transportation of students or school personnel exclusively in competition with private school transportation operators, except as authorized by 49 U.S.C. §§ 5323(f) or (g), as applicable, and FTA regulations, "School Bus Operations," 49 C.F.R. Part 605, and any subsequent School Transportation Operations regulations or FTA directives that may be issued. Any school transportation operations agreement required by FTA regulations is incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement for the Project. The Contractor understands and agrees that if it or an operator violates that school transportation operations agreement the violator will be barred from receiving Federal or State transit assistance in an amount to be determined by the Department.

Section 24. <u>Substance Abuse</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following Federal substance abuse regulations:

- a. <u>Drug-Free Workplace</u>. U.S. DOT regulations, "Government wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance), 49 C.F.R. Part 32, that implement the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 41 U.S.C. §§ 701 et seq.
- c. <u>Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use</u>. FTA regulations, "Prevention of

Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations," 49 C.F.R. Part 655, that implement 49 U.S.C. § 5331.

Section 25. <u>Seat Belt Use</u>. In accordance with Executive Order No. 13043, "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States," April 16, 1997, 23 U. S. C. § 402 note, the Contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned, rented, or personally operated vehicles, and to include this provision in any third party contracts, third party sub-contracts, or sub-agreements involving the Project.

Section 26 <u>Text Messaging While Driving.</u> In accordance with Executive Order No. 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving October 1, 2009, 23 U.S.C.A. § 402 note, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging

While December 30, 2009, the Grantee is encouraged to comply with the term of the following Special Provision.

- a. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Special Provision:
- (1) "Driving" means operating a motor vehicle on a roadway, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic light, stop sign, or otherwise. "Driving does not include being in your vehicle (with or without the motor running) in a location off the roadway where it is safe and legal to remain stationary.
- (2) "Text Messaging" means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electric device, including the purpose of short message service texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigating information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication. The term does not include the use of a cell phone or other electronic device for the limited purpose of entering a telephone number to make an outgoing call or answer an incoming call, unless the practice is prohibited by State or local law.
- b. Safety. The Grantee is encouraged to:
- (1) Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving –
- (a) Grantee-owned or Grantee-rented vehicles or Government-owned, leased or rented vehicles:
- (b) Privately-owned vehicles when on official Project related business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Project; or
- (c) Any vehicle, on or off duty, and using an employer supplied electronic device.
- (2) Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the Grantee's size, such as:
- (a) Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
- (b) Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
- (3) Include this Special Provision in its subagreements with its subrecipients and third party contracts and also encourage its subrecipients, lessees, and third party contractors to comply with the terms of this Special Provision, and include this Special Condition in each subagreement, lease, and third party contract at each tier financed with Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government.

Section 27. <u>Protection of Sensitive Security Information</u>. To the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. § 40119(b) and implementing U.S. DOT regulations, "Protection of Sensitive Security Information," 49 C.F.R. Part 15, and with 49 U.S.C. § 114(s) and implementing U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration regulations, "Protection of Sensitive Security Information," 49 C.F.R. Part 1520.

Section 28. <u>Disputes, Breaches, Defaults, or Other Litigation</u>. The Contractor agrees that the Department has a vested interest in the settlement of any dispute, breach, default, or litigation involving the Project. Accordingly:

a. <u>Notification to the Department</u>. The Contractor agrees to notify the Department in writing of any current or prospective major dispute, breach, default, or litigation that may affect the State Government's interests in the Project or the State Government's administration or enforcement of Federal/State laws or regulations. If the Contractor seeks to name the State Government as a party to litigation for any reason, in any forum, the Contractor agrees to inform the Department in writing before doing so.

b. <u>State Interest in Recovery</u>. The State Government retains the right to

proportionate share, based on the percentage of the State share awarded for the Project, of proceeds derived from any third party recovery, except that the Contractor may return any liquidated damages recovered to its Project Account in lieu of returning the State share to the Department.

c. <u>Enforcement</u>. The Contractor agrees to pursue all legal rights provided

within any third party contract.

d. <u>Department Concurrence</u>. The Department reserves the right to concur in

any compromise or settlement of any claim involving the Project and the Contractor.

e. <u>Alternative Dispute Resolution</u>. The Department encourages the Contractor

to use alternative dispute resolution procedures, as may be appropriate.

Section 29 Amendments/Revisions to the Project. The Contractor agrees that a change in Project circumstances causing an inconsistency with the terms of this Agreement for the Project will require an amendment or revision to this Agreement for the Project signed by the original signatories or their authorized designees or successors. The Contractor agrees that a change in the fundamental information submitted in its Application will also require an Amendment to its Application or this Agreement for the Project. The Contractor agrees that the project will not incur any costs associated with the amendment or revision before receiving notification of approval from the division. The Contractor agrees that any requests for amendments and or revisions will be submitted in accordance with the policies and procedures established by FTA and the Department.

Section 30. <u>Information Obtained Through Internet Links</u>. This Agreement may include electronic links/Web site addresses to Federal/State laws, regulations, and directives as well as other information. The Department does not guarantee the accuracy of information accessed through such links. Accordingly, the Contractor agrees that information obtained through any electronic link within this Agreement does not represent an official version of a Federal/State law, regulation, or directive, and might be inaccurate. Thus, information obtained through such links is neither incorporated by reference nor made part of this Agreement. The Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations are the official sources for regulatory information pertaining to the Federal Government.

Section 31. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of the FTA Master Agreement or this Agreement for the Project is determined invalid, the remainder of that Agreement shall not be affected if that remainder would continue to conform to the requirements of applicable Federal/State laws or regulations.

Section 32 Termination of Agreement.

a. <u>The Department of Transportation</u>. In the event of the Contractor's Non-compliance with any of the provisions of this Agreement, the Department may suspend or terminate the Agreement by giving the Contractor thirty (30) days advance notice. Any failure to make reasonable progress on the Project or violation of this Agreement for the Project that endangers substantial performance of the Project shall provide sufficient grounds for the Department to terminate the Agreement for the Project. In general, termination of State assistance for the Project will not invalidate obligations properly incurred by the Contractor before the termination date

to the extent those obligations cannot be canceled. If, however, the Department determines that the Contractor has willfully misused State assistance by failing to make adequate progress, failing to make reasonable and appropriate use of Project property, or failing to comply with the terms of this Agreement for the Project, the Department reserves the right to require the Contractor to refund the entire amount of State assistance provided for the Project or any lesser amount as the Department may determine. Expiration of any Project time period established for the Project does not, by itself, constitute an expiration or termination of the Agreement The Department, before issuing notice of Agreement termination, shall allow the Contractor a reasonable opportunity to correct for noncompliance. Upon noncompliance with the nondiscrimination section (Section 8) of this Agreement or with any of the said rules, regulations or orders, this Agreement may be cancelled; terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Orders No. 11246 and No. 11375, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in the said Executive Order or by rule, regulation or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law. In addition to the Department's rights of termination described above, the Department may terminate its participation in the Project by notifying and receiving the concurrence of the Contractor within sixty (60) days in advance of such termination. In addition to the Department's rights of termination described above, the Department may terminate its participation in the Project by notifying and receiving the concurrence of the Contractor within sixty (60) days in advance of such termination.

b. <u>The Contractor</u>. The Contractor may terminate its participation in the Project

by notifying and receiving the concurrence of the Department thirty (30) days in advance of the termination.

Section 33. <u>Contract Administrators</u>. All notices permitted or required to be given by one Party to the other and all questions about this Agreement from one Party to the other shall be addressed and delivered to the other Party's Contract Administrator. The name, postal address, street address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of the Parties' respective initial Contract Administrators are set out below. Either Party may change the name, postal address, street address, telephone number, fax number, or email address of its Contract Administrator by giving timely written notice to the other Party.

For the Department:

IF DELIVE	ERED BY US POSTAL SERVICE	IF DELIVE	RED BY ANY OTHER MEANS
Name:	MS. MYRA FREEMAN	Name:	MS MYRA FREEMAN
Title:	FINANCIAL MANAGER	Title:	FINANCIAL MANAGER
Agency:	NCDOT/PTD	Agency:	NCDOT/PTD
MSC:	1550 MSC	Street	TRANSPORTATION BLDG
	*	Address:	1 S WILMINGTON ST RM 524
City/Zip:	RALEIGH NC 27699-1550	City:	RALEIGH NC
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Phone:	919-707-4672		
Fax:	919-733-2304		
Email:	MSFREEMAN1@NCDOT.GOV		

For the Contractor:

IF DELIVERED BY US POSTAL SERVICE	IF DELIVERED BY ANY OTHER MEANS
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Agency:	Agency:
Postal	Street
Address:	Address:
City/Zip:	City:
Phone:	
Fax:	
Email:	

Section 34. <u>Federal Certification Regarding Lobbying</u>. The Contractor certifies, by signing

this Agreement, its compliance with Subsection 3d of this Agreement.

Section 35. <u>Federal Certification Regarding Debarment</u>. The Contractor certifies, by

signing this Agreement, its compliance with Subsection 3b of this Agreement.

Section 36. <u>Federal Certification Regarding Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug</u> Use, As

required by FTA regulations, "Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations," at 49 CFR part 655, subpart I, the Contractor certifies, by signing this Agreement, that it has established and implemented an alcohol misuse and anti-drug program, and has complied with or will comply with all applicable requirements of FTA regulations, "Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations," 49 CFR part 655, and Section 21 of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the Department, an agency of the State of North Carolina, and the Contractor by and through a duly authorized representative, and is effective the date and year first above written.

CITY OF HIGH POINT

CONTRACTOR'S FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER: 56-6000231

CONTRACTOR'S FISCAL YEAR END: June 30,

June 30, 2016

BY:

TITLE: Deputy

CITY MANAGER

ATTEST: TITLE:

City Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TITLE:

DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRANSIT

ATTEST: TITLE:

SECRETARY

This instrument precede with accordance with the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

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APPENDIX A

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DIVISION SECTION DG GRANT 16-DG-025 APPROVED BUDGET SUMMARY EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

PROJECT SPONSOR:

CITY OF HIGH POINT

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

FY16 - DEMONSTRATION GRANT PROGRAM

I. TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURES

DEPARTMENT:

4522 - OPERATING

\$1,200,000

WBS ELEMENT:

36223.13.8.2

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:

JULY 1, 2015 - JUNE 30, 2016

IL TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING

II. TOTAL PROJECT FONDING -	TOTAL 100%	FEDERAL 0%	STATE 100%	LOCAL 0%
4522 - OPERATING AGREEMENT ID # 36223.13.8.2	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$0
TOTAL 2000004460	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$0

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DIVISION PROJECT -16-DG-025 APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

PROJECT SPONSOR: DEPARTMENT:

CITY OF HIGH POINT 4522 - OPERATING

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	PPROVED BUDGET
G399	Other: Furniture Market Transportation Service	\$ 1,200,000
		\$ **
	TOTAL	\$ 1.200.000

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF HIGH POINT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NCDOT October 2015 Board of Transportation Agenda

Public Transportation Program

Town/County Division	Demonstration Grant	Estimated C	ost
app. 3330	16-DG-025 - The City of High Point in conjunction with the High Point Market Authority requests funds to support transportation for the Fall and Spring furniture markets in High Point. The funds will be used to provide free shuttle services for Market attendees from Piedmont Triad area hotels and designated park and ride lots to/from the Home Furnishings Market, and circulator services in the High Point showroom district. The circulator and shuttle services will be procured through private transportation providers and organized by the High Point Market Authority. This request is to disburse up to \$600,000 for each market (Fall 2015 and Spring 2016), subject to appropriations by the Legislature.	\$1,200,000 \$0 \$1,200,000 \$0	Total Federal State Local

ITEM I-1 - 1 PROJECT(S) - TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS \$1,200,000