

ATTACHMENT J

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Third Party Contract Provisions

Solicitation Provisions/Required Contract Clauses

Contract Subject to Federal Financial Assistance/Application of Provisions and Clauses

This Contract/project is funded in whole or in part by grants from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the United States Department of Transportation. The award of any contract is subject to the requirements of financial assistance contracts between the Virginia Railway Express (hereinafter referred to as "VRE") and the U.S. Department of Transportation requiring compliance with purchasing procedures and standards as set forth in various federal statutes and regulations including 49 CFR Part 18, and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Circular 4220.1G. The Contractor/Bidder/Offeror is required to comply with all terms and conditions prescribed for third-party contracts by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

Contractor/Bidder/Offeror is responsible for ensuring its compliance with all applicable FTA requirements. Additionally, Contractor/Bidder/Offeror is responsible for ensuring that Subcontractors, at as many tiers of the Project as required, perform in accordance with the terms, conditions and specifications of the contract, including all applicable FTA requirements.

Upon request of VRE or FTA, Contractor/Bidder/Offeror shall provide evidence of the steps it has taken to ensure its compliance with the FTA requirements, as well as evidence of the steps it has taken to ensure each Subcontractor's performance, and/or submit evidence of each Subcontractor's compliance at all tiers.

The following solicitation provisions and required contract clauses will be incorporated by reference in any contract resulting from this solicitation issued by VRE. These solicitation provisions and required contract clauses are in addition to other General Specifications, Special and Technical Specifications, Bidding or Proposal Procedures, and Bid or Proposal Forms set forth in other sections of this solicitation which may also be incorporated by reference in any resulting contract. Some provisions and clauses require the Bidder/Offeror to execute and submit certain required certifications with the Bid/Proposal or contract, which are included herein this solicitation. Failure to execute and submit required certifications with the Bid/Proposal or contract documents may render a Bid/Proposal non-responsive or a contract null and void.

1. FLY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 40118

41 CFR Part 301-10

48 CFR Part 47.4

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to the transportation of persons or property, by air, between a place in the U.S. and a place outside the U.S., or between places outside the U.S., when the FTA will participate in the costs of such air transportation.

Flow Down Requirements

The Fly America requirements flow down from FTA recipients and subrecipients to first tier contractors, who are responsible for ensuring that lower tier contractors and subcontractors are in compliance.

Fly America

a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause--

"International air transportation" means transportation by air between a place in the United States and a place outside the United States or between two places both of which are outside the United States.

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

"U.S.-flag air carrier" means an air carrier holding a certificate under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 411.

b) When Federal funds are used to fund travel, Section 5 of the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 40118) (Fly America Act) requires contractors, recipients, and others use U.S.-flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property, to the extent that service by those carriers is available. It requires the Comptroller General of the United States, in the absence of satisfactory proof of the necessity for foreign-flag air transportation, to disallow expenditures from funds, appropriated or otherwise established for the account of the United States, for international air transportation secured aboard a foreign-flag air carrier if a U.S.-flag air carrier is available to provide such services.

c) If available, the Contractor, in performing work under this contract, shall use U.S.-flag carriers for international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property.

d) In the event that the Contractor selects a carrier other than a U.S.-flag air carrier for international air transportation, the Contractor shall include a statement on vouchers involving such transportation essentially as follows:

Statement of Unavailability of U.S.-Flag Air Carriers

International air transportation of persons (and their personal effects) or property by U.S.-flag air carrier was not available or it was necessary to use foreign-flag air carrier service for the following reasons. See FAR § 47.403. [State reasons]:

e) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in each subcontract or purchase under this contract that may involve international air transportation.

2. ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS
42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.
49 CFR Part 622, subpart C

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Energy Conservation requirements extend to all third-party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subagreements at every tier.

Energy Conservation - The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

3. CLEAN WATER REQUIREMENTS
33 U.S.C. 1251

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts and subcontracts exceeding \$150,000.

Flow Down

The Clean Water requirements flow down to FTA recipients and subrecipients at every tier.

Clean Water - (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251-1387. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to VRE and understands and agrees that VRE will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

4. LOBBYING
31 U.S.C. 1352
49 CFR Part 20
2 CFR 200.450
2 CFR Part 200 Appendix II (J)

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts exceeding \$100,000.

Flow Down

The Lobbying requirements mandate the maximum flow down, pursuant to the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352(b) (5).

Mandatory Clause/Language

Clause and specific language therein are mandated by 49 CFR Part 20.

- Lobbying Certification and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities for third party contractors are mandated by 31 U.S.C. 1352(b)(5), as amended by Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, and DOT implementing regulation, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," at 49 CFR § 20.110 (d).

- Language in Lobbying Certification is mandated by 49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A which provides that contractors file the certification.

- Use of "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," Standard Form-LLL set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 20, as amended by "Government wide Guidance For New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96) is mandated by 49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A.

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. 1352, as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, P.L. 104-65 [to be codified at 2 U.S.C. § 1601, et seq.]

- Contractors who submit a Bid/Proposal for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the certification required by 49 CFR part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

The certificate entitled *Certification of Restrictions on Lobbying* (included in the Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders/Offerors Attachment) must be completed and submitted with the Bid/Proposal.

5. ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

49 U.S.C. 5325

49 CFR 18.36 (i)

49 CFR 633.17

2 CFR 200.333

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts as listed below.

Flow Down

The record keeping and access requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

Access to Records - The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where VRE is not a State but a Transportation District Commission and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide VRE, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. The Contractor also

agrees, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or their authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.

2. Where VRE which is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to VRE, the Secretary of the US Department of Transportation and the US Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.

3. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

4. The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case the Contractor agrees to maintain same until VRE, the FTA Administrator, the US Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i) (11).

6. FEDERAL CHANGES

49 CFR Part 18

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Federal Changes requirement flows down appropriately to each applicable changed requirement.

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

7. CLEAN AIR
42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq
40 CFR 15.61
2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II (G)

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts exceeding \$150,000.

Flow Down

The Clean Air requirements flow down to all subcontracts which exceed \$150,000.

Clean Air - (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 - 7671g. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to VRE and understands and agrees that VRE will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

8. RECYCLED PRODUCTS
42 U.S.C. 6962
40 CFR Part 247
Executive Order 12873
2 CFR Part 200.322

Applicability to Contracts

Recipients are required to procure only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.

These regulations apply to all procurement actions involving items designated by the EPA, where the Contractor purchases \$10,000 or more of one of these items in a fiscal year, or when the cost of such items purchased during the previous fiscal year exceeds \$10,000.

Flow Down

These requirements flow down to all contractors and their subcontracts at every tier where the value of an EPA designated item exceeds \$10,000.

Recovered Materials - The Contractor agrees to provide a preference for those products and services that conserve natural resources, protect the environment, and are energy efficient by complying with and facilitating compliance with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), "Comprehensive Procurement Guideline for Products Containing Recovered Materials," 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

9. NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

(1) VRE and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to VRE, the Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.

(2) The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

10. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACTS

49 CFR Part 31

31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.

18 U.S.C. 1001

49 U.S.C. 5323

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

These requirements flow down to contractors and subcontractors who make, present, or submit covered claims and statements.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.

(1) The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of 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 actions pertaining to this project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(2) The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5323(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(3) The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is

further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

11. TERMINATION
VRE General Provisions

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts exceeding \$10,000.

Refer to VRE General Provisions, "Termination for the Convenience of VRE" and "Termination for Default."

12. OVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT)

2 CFR Part 1200

2 CFR Part 180

Applicability to Contracts

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount.

The certificate entitled *Certification of Primary Participants Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion* (included in the Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders/Offerors Attachment) must be completed and returned with the Bid/Proposal.

13. PRIVACY ACT
5 U.S.C. 552

Applicability to Contracts

When a grantee maintains files on drug and alcohol enforcement activities for FTA, and those files are organized so that information could be retrieved by personal identifier, the Privacy Act requirements apply to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Federal Privacy Act requirements flow down to each third party contractor and their contracts at every tier.

Contracts Involving Federal Privacy Act Requirements - The following requirements apply to the Contractor and its employees that administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government under any contract:

(1) The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the Federal

Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

14. CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS

29 U.S.C. § 623, 42 U.S.C. § 2000

42 U.S.C. § 6101, 42 U.S.C. § 12112

42 U.S.C. § 12132, 49 U.S.C. § 5332

29 CFR Part 1630, 41 CFR Parts 60 et seq.

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Civil Rights requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Civil Rights - The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(1) Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation), age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(2) Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(a) Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Sexual Orientation, or National Origin - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the project. 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, religion, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any

implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(b) Age - In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. Part 90 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of 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, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary, to identify the affected parties.

15. BREACHES AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

VRE General Provisions

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts exceeding \$25,000.

Refer to VRE General Provisions, "Contractual Disputes."

16. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

49 CFR Part 26

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all DOT-assisted contracting activities.

Flow Down

The DBE contracting requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

a. It is the policy of VRE and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBEs"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also the policy of VRE to:

1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. Ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;

4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 C.F.R. part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contracts and procurement activities; and
7. Assist in the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program.

b. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, *Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs*. Therefore, the Contractor must satisfy the requirements for DBE participation as set forth herein. These requirements are in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract. VRE shall make all determinations with regard to whether or not a Bidder/Offeror is in compliance with the requirements stated herein. In assessing compliance, VRE may consider during its review of the Bidder's/Offeror's submission package, the Bidder's/Offeror's documented history of non-compliance with DBE requirements on previous contracts with VRE.

c. VRE's overall goal for DBE participation is set at **14.7%**. This goal represents those elements of work under this Contract performed by qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises for amounts totaling **not less than 14.7%** of the total Contract price.

d. The contractor and subcontractor(s) shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as VRE deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

1. Withholding monthly progress payments;
2. Assessing sanctions;
3. Liquidates damages; and/or
4. Disqualifying the Contractor from future bidding as non-responsible. 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(b).

Each subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (see 49 CFR 26.13(b)).

e. The Contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than seven (7) days after the Contractor's receipt of payment for that work from VRE. In addition, the Contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

1. The Contractor shall be obligated to pay interest to a subcontractor on all monies owed by the Contractor that remain unpaid after seven (7) days following receipt by the Contractor of payment from VRE for work performed

by a subcontractor under the Contract, except for amounts withheld for retainage under subsection (e) of this section.

2. The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to the provisions of this section may not be construed as an obligation by VRE. A contract modification may not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for any such interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim may not include any amount for reimbursement for such interest charge.

f. The Contractor shall utilize the specific DBEs listed unless the Contractor obtains VRE's written consent; and that, unless VRE's consent is provided, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE. 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(f) (1).

g. The contractor must promptly notify VRE, whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The Contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without the prior written consent of VRE.

17. INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS **FTA Circular 4220.1G**

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

The incorporation of FTA terms has unlimited flow down.

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms - The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by the USDOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by USDOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1G, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this contract. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any VRE requests which would cause VRE to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

18. ACCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in the administration of programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance; with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities; 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; and with other laws and amendments thereto pertaining to access for individuals with disabilities that may be applicable. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable implementing Federal regulations and any later amendments thereto, and agrees to follow applicable Federal implementing directives, except to the extent FTA approves otherwise in writing.

19. SAFE OPERATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

23 U.S.C. part 402

Executive Order No. 13043

Executive Order No. 13513

U.S. DOT Order No. 3902.10

Applicability to Contracts

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements apply to all federally funded third party contracts. In compliance with Federal Executive Order No. 13043, "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States," April 16, 1997, 23 U.S.C. Section 402 note, FTA encourages each third party contractor 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 each third party subcontract involving the project. Additionally, recipients are required by FTA to include a Distracted Driving clause that addresses distracted driving, including text messaging in each of its third party agreements supported with Federal assistance.

Flow Down

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements flow down to all third party contractors at every tier.

Seat Belt Use- The Contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles. The terms "company-owned" and "company-leased" refer to vehicles owned or leased either by the Contractor or VRE.

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

20. NOTICE TO FTA AND U.S. DOT INSPECTOR GENERAL OF INFORMATION RELATED TO FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE OR OTHER LEGAL MATTERS

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts exceeding \$25,000.

If a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, the Contractor must promptly notify VRE, which will promptly notify the FTA Chief Counsel and FTA Regional Counsel for the Region in which VRE is located.

The Contractor must include an equivalent provision in its subagreements at

every tier, for any agreement that is a "covered transaction" according to 2 C.F.R. §§ 180.220 and 1200.220.

The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason.

Matters that may affect the Federal Government include, but are not limited to, the Federal Government's interests in the award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement between the FTA and VRE, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal Government's administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.

Additional Notice to U.S.DOT Inspector General. - The Contractor must promptly notify VRE, which will promptly notify the U.S. DOT Inspector General in addition to the FTA Chief Counsel or Regional Counsel for the Region in which VRE is located, if the Contractor has knowledge of potential fraud, waste, or abuse occurring on a project receiving assistance from FTA. The notification provision applies if a person has or may have submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729, et seq., or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bid rigging, misappropriation or embezzlement, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the project is subject to this Agreement or another agreement with VRE involving a principal, officer, employee, agent, or Third-Party Participant of the Contractor. It also applies to subcontractors at any tier.

Knowledge, as used herein, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of the Contractor. In this provision, "promptly" means to refer information without delay and without change. This notification provision applies to all divisions of the Contractor, including divisions tasked with law enforcement or investigatory functions.

21. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

This requirement flows down to all third-party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subcontracts at every tier.

(a) Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

- (1) Procure or obtain;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential

component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

(iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

(b) In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.

(c) See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.

(d) See also § 200.471.

22. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Overtime Requirements - No Contractor or Subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

Violation; Liability for Unpaid Wages; Liquidated Damages - In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in the first paragraph of this section, the Contractor and any Subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and Subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in the first paragraph of this section, in

the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in the first paragraph of this section.

Withholding for Unpaid Wages and Liquidated Damages - VRE may upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or Subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or Subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in the second paragraph of this section.

Subcontracts - The Contractor or Subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in all paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the Subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any Subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

23. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

The Contractor agrees to comply with the following employee protective arrangements of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b):

U.S. DOL Certification - Under this Contract or any Amendments thereto that involve public transportation operations that are supported with federal assistance, a certification issued by U.S. DOL is a condition of the Contract.

Special Warranty - When the Contract involves public transportation operations and is supported with federal assistance appropriated or made available for 49 U.S.C. § 5311, U.S. DOL will provide a Special Warranty for its Award, including its Award of federal assistance under the Tribal Transit Program. The U.S. DOL Special Warranty is a condition of the Contract.

Special Arrangements - The conditions of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) do not apply to Contractors providing public transportation operations pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5310. FTA reserves the right to make case-by-case determinations of the applicability of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) for all transfers of funding authorized under title 23, United States Code (flex funds), and make other exceptions as it deems appropriate, and, in those instances, any special arrangements required by FTA will be incorporated herein as required.

24. SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(f), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, and not engage in school bus operations using federally funded equipment or facilities in competition with private operators of school buses, except as permitted under:

1. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(f);
2. FTA regulations, "School Bus Operations," 49 C.F.R. part 605
3. Any other Federal School Bus regulations; or

4. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

If the Contractor violates this School Bus Agreement, FTA may:

1. Bar the Contractor from receiving Federal assistance for public transportation; or
2. Require the Contractor to take such remedial measures as FTA considers appropriate.

When operating an exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, the Contractor may not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities.

The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in each subcontract or purchase under this contract that may operate public transportation services.

25. SUBSTANCE ABUSE REQUIREMENTS **(DRUG USE AND TESTING & ALCOHOL MISUSE AND TESTING)**

The Contractor agrees to establish and implement a drug and alcohol testing program that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 655, produce any documentation necessary to establish its compliance with part 655, and permit any authorized representative of the United States Department of Transportation or its operating administrations, the State Oversight Agency, or VRE, to inspect the facilities and records associated with the implementation of the drug and alcohol testing program as required under 49 C.F.R. part 655 and review the testing process. The Contractor agrees further to certify annually its compliance with part 655 and to submit the Management Information System (MIS) reports to VRE.

26. CHARTER SERVICE

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(d), 5323(r), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, which provides that Recipients and subrecipients of FTA assistance are prohibited from providing charter service using federally funded equipment or facilities if there is at least one private charter operator willing and able to provide the service, except as permitted under: 1. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(d); 2. FTA regulations, "Charter Service," 49 C.F.R. part 604; 3. Any other federal Charter Service regulations; or 4. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

The Contractor agrees that if it engages in a pattern of violations of FTA's Charter Service regulations, FTA may require corrective measures or impose remedies on it. These corrective measures and remedies may include: 1. Barring it or any Subcontractor operating public transportation under its award that has provided prohibited charter service from receiving federal assistance from FTA; 2. Withholding an amount of federal assistance as provided by Appendix D to part 604 of FTA's Charter Service regulations; or 3. Any other appropriate remedy that may apply. The Contractor shall also include the substance of this clause in each subcontract that may involve operating public transit services.

27. FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY AND RECENT FELONY CONVICTIONS

(1) The contractor certifies that it:

(a) Does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and

(b) Was not convicted of the felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding twenty-four (24) months.

If the Contractor cannot so certify, VRE will refer the matter to FTA and not enter into any Third-Party Agreement with the Third-Party Participant without FTA's written approval.

The Contractor agrees to flow this requirement down to participants at all lower tiers, without regard to the value of any subagreement.

The certificate entitled *Federal Tax Delinquency and Conviction* (included in the Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders/Offerors Attachment) must be completed and submitted with the Bid/Proposal.