ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BIDS DUE THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

BID NO. 19-5501  MECHANICAL SYSTEMS UPGRADE AT CHUM BUILDING

The City of Duluth, Minnesota, on behalf of CHUM (Churches United in Ministry), requests sealed bids for the above named project. Work includes, but is not limited to, replacement of boilers, rooftop HVAC unit and air handling unit. Please see the attached specifications for more information.

Bids may be submitted electronically through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com, or a paper bid may be submitted by following the instructions below, until 2:00 p.m. local time on JANUARY 24, 2019. Electronic bids are preferred; suppliers wishing to submit a paper bid must contact the purchasing office.

E-MAIL BIDS and/or BID BONDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. The City Purchasing Agent will conduct a public bid opening in City Hall, Room 120, immediately after the deadline for receiving bids.

PREBID: A MANDATORY pre-bid walk-thru of the site will take place on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 10:00 am local time. Interested bidders MUST attend and should meet at the food shelf building, 102 West 2nd Street, Duluth, MN.

ANTICIPATED START DATE: ASAP
EXPECTED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE: February 28, 2019, or as soon as product and material availability allows

Questions pertaining to this project should be e-mailed to purchasing@duluthmn.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2019.

Plans and specifications may be viewed and downloaded at no cost at www.bidexpress.com. Bidders must create a free account with Bid Express®; and login to search for city projects (search by “City of Duluth” or bid number), regardless of whether the bidder is submitting an electronic or paper bid.

If submitting a bid electronically, bidders will be required to create an Info Tech Digital ID in order to bid, which can take up to five (5) business days to process. Please allow ample time to obtain your digital id prior to the bid deadline. Bid Express® does charge a nominal fee for bid submission. More information can be found at https://www.bidexpress.com/vendor_resources.

Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the City Engineering office, Duluth Builders Exchange, Minnesota Builder's Exchange, BXWI-Fox Valley Plan Room, and Blue Book Building and Construction Network.


INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Paper Bid)

All paper bids must be complete, signed, and transmitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked with the bid
number, subject matter, and opening date. Bids may be mailed to the Purchasing Office, City Hall, 411 West 1st Street, Room 120, Duluth, MN 55802 or dropped off in person at the same address.

Bids must be received in Purchasing before 2:00 PM local time on the bid opening date specified on the Invitation for Bids. The City Purchasing Agent or her designee will conduct a public bid opening in Room 120 immediately following receipt of the bids. Once all bids have been reviewed, bid results will be posted online at http://www.duluthmn.gov/purchasing/bids-request-for-proposals/.

No alternatives to the specifications will be considered unless specifically requested. Erasures or other changes to the bid must be initialed and dated, however no special conditions shall be made or included in the bid form by the bidder.

The City of Duluth reserves the right to split the award where there is a substantial savings to the City, to waive informalities and to reject any and all bids. Price may not be the only consideration for bid award. Bids must be firm for a minimum of 60 days.

The following documents must be submitted with your bid:

1. **Bid Bond** - A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the City of Duluth, negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five per cent (5%) of the total bid. Bids may be withdrawn without forfeiture of surety if the request is submitted by the Bidder and received at the Purchasing Office in writing or by e-mail prior to the scheduled bid opening.

2. **Acknowledgment of Addendum** – any changes to this solicitation will be announced via Addendum. Bidders must indicate that they have reviewed any addendum(s) by initialing and dating on the bid form where indicated. Failure to acknowledge addendum(s) may result in your bid being deemed non-responsive.

3. **Responsible Contractor** - No construction contract in excess of $50,000 will be awarded unless the Bidder is a “responsible contractor” as defined in Minnesota Statute §16C.285, subdivision 3. All Bidders submitting a proposal for this project must verify that they meet the minimum criteria specified in the statute by submitting a Responsible Contractor Verification and Certification of Compliance form (attached) with their bid. The owner or officer of the company must sign the form under oath verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria. Making a false statement under oath will render the Bidder or subcontractor that makes the false statement ineligible to be awarded a construction project and may result in termination of a contract awarded to a Bidder or subcontractor that submits a false statement. Bidders must obtain verification of compliance from all subcontractors. Bidders must submit signed copies of verifications and certifications of compliance from subcontractors at the City’s request.

Please note that the following requirements also apply to this project, and any additional required documents must be submitted prior to award/contract execution. Submitting these documents with your bid will assist in expediting the process.

1. **Insurance** – Contractor must provide proof of General Commercial Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance with limits not less than $1,500,000 Single Limit prior to the commencement of work.

2. **Affidavit of Non-Collusion** – The successful bidder shall be required to execute an affidavit stating that he/she has not entered into a collusive agreement with any other person, firm, or corporation in regard to any bid submitted.

3. **Prevailing Wage** - Not less than the minimum salaries and prevailing wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project.

CITY OF DULUTH

Amanda Ashbach
Purchasing Agent
1. **General.** This document covers bids requested by the City of Duluth ("City"), including those requested on behalf of its Agents and Authorities. Each authority may issue their own purchase order or contract and will be responsible for it. The City of Duluth Authorities are as follows:
   a. Duluth Airport Authority
   b. Spirit Mountain Recreational Area Authority
   c. Duluth Economic Development Authority

2. **Investigation by Bidders.** Bidders are responsible for thoroughly reading and understanding the information, instructions, and specifications contained in the Invitation for Bids, and for investigating the site conditions at the Project location(s), if applicable. At bid opening, each bidder will be presumed to have read and to be thoroughly familiar with the plans, specifications and contract documents (including all addenda). The failure or omission of any bidder to examine any form, instrument, or document shall in no way relieve the bidder from any obligation in respect to their bid.

3. **Bidder Questions.** Responses to general questions regarding the Invitation for Bids may be made at the discretion of the City. Every request for such interpretation should be submitted through Bid Express or via e-mail to the Purchasing Division before the deadline indicated on the Invitation for Bids, or if no deadline is specified, at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled bid opening. Responses will be issued in writing in the form of an Addenda and posted on Bid Express.

4. **Bid Submission.** All bids must be complete and submitted via Bid Express prior to the deadline indicated in the solicitation. Bids will not be accepted via e-mail.

No alternatives to the specifications will be considered unless specifically requested. No special conditions shall be made or included by the bidder.

5. **Non-Collusion Clause.** By submitting a bid, the bidder, their agent and/or employee(s) hereby affirm that the attached bid or bids have been arrived at by the bidder independently and have been submitted without collusion with, and without agreement, understanding or planned common course of action with any other vendor of materials, supplies, equipment or services described in the Invitation for Bids, designed to limit independent bidding or competition.

6. **Award.** Award, if made, will be to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest bid which complies with the conditions of the Invitation for Bids and specifications. A bid summary will be posted on the City website immediately following the bid opening. Award notices for construction projects or the purchase of supplies over $100,000 must be approved by City Council.

7. **Bidder Qualifications.** Per Sec 41.23(e) of Duluth City Code, contracts shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, the City shall consider the ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the work and perform it in the time specified without delay or interference; the character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, and efficiency of the bidder; the quality of the bidder's performance of previous contracts or services; the previous and existing compliance by bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract or service; the number and scope of conditions attached to the bid; and the sufficiency of the financial resources, equipment available and ability of the bidder to perform the contract. Bidders shall furnish to the City all such information and data for this purpose, when requested.

Minnesota law requires that, in order to transact business in the State, including submitting a response to this request for bids/proposals, a corporate entity of any kind must either be organized under Minnesota law or have a Certificate of Authority from the Minnesota Secretary of State to do business in Minnesota (M.S. 303.03). By submitting this bid/proposal as a corporation, you are certifying that the responding corporation complies with this requirement.

8. **Bid Opening.** The City Purchasing Agent or her designee will conduct a public bid opening in the location and at the time specified in the bid announcement. Results will be posted online at http://www.duluthmn.gov/purchasing/bids-request-for-proposals/ once all bids have been reviewed.

9. **Rejection of Bids.** The City of Duluth reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in bids received whenever such rejection or waiver is in its best interests.

The City reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence obtained by the City through such investigation fails to satisfy the City that the bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work as required by the plans and specifications.

10. **Liquidated Damages for Failure to Enter into Contract.** The successful bidder, upon their failure or refusal to accept a purchase order or execute and deliver the contract, proof of insurance and bonds required within 10 days after receipt of a notice of the acceptance of their bid, shall forfeit to the City, as liquidated damages for such failure or refusal, the security deposited with their bid.

11. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) laws and regulations. Affirmative action must be taken to insure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, creed, sex or national origin. The City of Duluth is an equal opportunity employer.

12. **Prevailing Wages.** Per Sec 2-26 of Duluth City Code, payment of not less than the prevailing wage and salary rates specified in the contract documents and the conditions of employment with respect to certain categories and classifications of employees is required for all "Public Works" type projects estimated to exceed $2,000. Contractor will be required to submit certified payrolls with all requests for payment. This does not apply to off-site production and manufacturing of parts and supplies.

13. **Validity of Bids.** All bids must remain firm for 60 days from the date of bid opening, unless another period is noted in bid documents.

14. **Insurance.** All vendors doing work on City property, except vendors making routine deliveries, shall submit an insurance certificate verifying insurance coverage as per current City requirements. Insurance requirements are contained in Section 7 of the draft contract.

15. **Reports.** Contractors will be required to provide all data required by the city, state or federal funding source(s) for reporting purposes; including, but not limited to job creation and retention data, itemized invoices, payroll records, certifications and licenses.
# BID FORM

**BID # 19-5501**  
**MECHANICAL SYSTEMS UPGRADE AT CHUM BUILDINGS**

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Signature _______________________________________________________  Date  ___________________

Name/Title ______________________________________________________________________________

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Address _________________________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip __________________________________________________________________________

Tel. ___________________________  E-Mail ______________________________________

If your organization is certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, please check here: ☐

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AFFIDAVIT AND INFORMATION REQUIRED OF BIDDERS

Affidavit of Non-Collusion:

I hereby swear (or affirm) under penalty of perjury:

1) That I am the bidder (if the bidder is an individual), a partner in the bidder (if the bidder is a partnership), or an officer or employee of the bidding corporation having authority to sign on its behalf (if the bidder is a corporation);

2) That the attached bid or bids have been arrived at by the bidder independently and have been submitted without collusion with and without agreement, understanding, or planned common course of action with any other vendor of materials, supplies, equipment or services described in the invitation to bid, designed to limit independent bidding or competition;

3) That the contents of the bid or bids have not been communicated by the bidder or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the bidder or its surety on any bond furnished with the bid or bids and will not be communicated to any such person prior to the official opening of the bid or bids;

4) That a family relationship between a City of Duluth employee and bidder/proposer are in non-collusion; and

5) That I have fully informed myself regarding the accuracy of the statements made in this affidavit.

Signed: ____________________________________________________________

Firm Name: __________________________________________________________

Subscribed and sworn to me before this _____ day of ______________________, __________

NOTARY PUBLIC ______________________________________________________

My commission expires: _________________________________________________

Bidder’s Federal Identification Number ________________________________
PRIME CONTRACTOR RESPONSE

RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

STATE PROJECT NUMBER: ________________________________

This form includes changes by statutory references from the Laws of Minnesota 2015, chapter 64, sections 1-9. This form must be submitted with the response to this solicitation. A response received without this form, will be rejected.

Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 7. IMPLEMENTATION. … any prime contractor or subcontractor or motor carrier that does not meet the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 or fails to verify that it meets those criteria is not a responsible contractor and is not eligible to be awarded a construction contract for the project or to perform work on the project…

Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 3. RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR, MINIMUM CRITERIA. "Responsible contractor" means a contractor that conforms to the responsibility requirements in the solicitation document for its portion of the work on the project and verifies that it meets the following minimum criteria:

(1) The Contractor:
   (i) is in compliance with workers' compensation and unemployment insurance requirements;
   (ii) is in compliance with Department of Revenue and Department of Employment and Economic Development registration requirements if it has employees;
   (iii) has a valid federal tax identification number or a valid Social Security number if an individual; and
   (iv) has filed a certificate of authority to transact business in Minnesota with the Secretary of State if a foreign corporation or cooperative.

(2) The contractor or related entity is in compliance with and, during the three-year period before submitting the verification, has not violated section 177.24, 177.25, 177.41 to 177.44, 181.13, 181.14, or 181.722, and has not violated United States Code, title 29, sections 201 to 219, or United States Code, title 40, sections 3141 to 3148. For purposes of this clause, a violation occurs when a contractor or related entity:
   (i) repeatedly fails to pay statutorily required wages or penalties on one or more separate projects for a total underpayment of $25,000 or more within the three-year period, provided that a failure to pay is “repeated” only if it involves two or more separate and distinct occurrences of underpayment during the three-year period;
   (ii) has been issued an order to comply by the commissioner of Labor and Industry that has become final;
   (iii) has been issued at least two determination letters within the three-year period by the Department of Transportation finding an underpayment by the contractor or related entity to its own employees;
   (iv) has been found by the commissioner of Labor and Industry to have repeatedly or willfully violated any of the sections referenced in this clause pursuant to section 177.27;
   (v) has been issued a ruling or findings of underpayment by the administrator of the Wage and Hour Division of the United States Department of Labor that have become final or have been upheld by an administrative law judge or the Administrative Review Board; or
   (vi) has been found liable for underpayment of wages or penalties or misrepresenting a construction worker as an independent contractor in an action brought in a court having jurisdiction. Provided that, if the contractor or related entity contests a determination of underpayment by the Department of Transportation in a contested case proceeding, a violation does not occur until the contested case proceeding has concluded with a determination that the contractor or related entity underpaid wages or penalties;*
(3) The contractor or related entity is in compliance with and, during the three-year period before submitting the verification, has not violated section 181.723 or chapter 326B. For purposes of this clause, a violation occurs when a contractor or related entity has been issued a final administrative or licensing order; *

(4) The contractor or related entity has not, more than twice during the three-year period before submitting the verification, had a certificate of compliance under section 363A.36 revoked or suspended based on the provisions of section 363A.36, with the revocation or suspension becoming final because it was upheld by the Office of Administrative Hearings or was not appealed to the office; *

(5) The contractor or related entity has not received a final determination assessing a monetary sanction from the Department of Administration or Transportation for failure to meet targeted group business, disadvantaged business enterprise, or veteran-owned business goals, due to a lack of good faith effort, more than once during the three-year period before submitting the verification; *

* Any violations, suspensions, revocations, or sanctions, as defined in clauses (2) to (5), occurring prior to July 1, 2014, shall not be considered in determining whether a contractor or related entity meets the minimum criteria.

(6) The contractor or related entity is not currently suspended or debarred by the federal government or the state of Minnesota or any of its departments, commissions, agencies, or political subdivisions that have authority to debar a contractor; and

(7) All subcontractors and motor carriers that the contractor intends to use to perform project work have verified to the contractor through a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer that they meet the minimum criteria listed in clauses (1) to (6).

Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 5. **SUBCONTRACTOR VERIFICATION.**

A prime contractor or subcontractor shall include in its verification of compliance under subdivision 4 a list of all of its first-tier subcontractors that it intends to retain for work on the project. Prior to execution of a construction contract, and as a condition precedent to the execution of a construction contract, the apparent successful prime contractor shall submit to the contracting authority a supplemental verification under oath confirming compliance with subdivision 3, clause (7). Each contractor or subcontractor shall obtain from all subcontractors with which it will have a direct contractual relationship a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying that they meet all of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 prior to execution of a construction contract with each subcontractor.

If a prime contractor or any subcontractor retains additional subcontractors on the project after submitting its verification of compliance, the prime contractor or subcontractor shall obtain verifications of compliance from each additional subcontractor with which it has a direct contractual relationship and shall submit a supplemental verification confirming compliance with subdivision 3, clause (7), within 14 days of retaining the additional subcontractors.

A prime contractor shall submit to the contracting authority upon request copies of the signed verifications of compliance from all subcontractors of any tier pursuant to subdivision 3, clause (7). A prime contractor and subcontractors shall not be responsible for the false statements of any subcontractor with which they do not have a direct contractual relationship. A prime contractor and subcontractors shall be responsible for false statements by their first-tier subcontractors with which they have a direct contractual relationship only if they accept the verification of compliance with actual knowledge that it contains a false statement.

Subd. 5a. **Motor carrier verification.** A prime contractor or subcontractor shall obtain annually from all motor carriers with which it will have a direct contractual relationship a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying that they meet all of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 prior to execution of a construction contract with each motor carrier. A prime contractor or subcontractor shall require each such motor carrier to provide it with immediate written notification in the event that the motor carrier no longer meets one or more of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 after submitting its annual verification. A motor carrier shall be ineligible to perform work on a project covered by this section if it does not meet all the minimum criteria in subdivision 3. Upon request, a prime contractor or subcontractor shall submit to the contracting authority the signed verifications of compliance from all motor carriers providing for-hire transportation of materials, equipment, or supplies for a project.
Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 4. **VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.**

A contractor responding to a solicitation document of a contracting authority shall submit to the contracting authority a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3, with the exception of clause (7), at the time that it responds to the solicitation document.

A contracting authority may accept a signed statement under oath as sufficient to demonstrate that a contractor is a responsible contractor and shall not be held liable for awarding a contract in reasonable reliance on that statement. A prime contractor, subcontractor, or motor carrier that fails to verify compliance with any one of the required minimum criteria or makes a false statement under oath in a verification of compliance shall be ineligible to be awarded a construction contract on the project for which the verification was submitted.

A false statement under oath verifying compliance with any of the minimum criteria may result in termination of a construction contract that has already been awarded to a prime contractor or subcontractor or motor carrier that submits a false statement. A contracting authority shall not be liable for declining to award a contract or terminating a contract based on a reasonable determination that the contractor failed to verify compliance with the minimum criteria or falsely stated that it meets the minimum criteria. A verification of compliance need not be notarized. An electronic verification of compliance made and submitted as part of an electronic bid shall be an acceptable verification of compliance under this section provided that it contains an electronic signature as defined in section 325L.02, paragraph (h).

**CERTIFICATION**

By signing this document I certify that I am an owner or officer of the company, and I swear under oath that:

1) My company meets each of the Minimum Criteria to be a responsible contractor as defined herein and is in compliance with Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, and

2) if my company is awarded a contract, I will submit Attachment A-1 prior to contract execution, and

3) if my company is awarded a contract, I will also submit Attachment A-2 as required.

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NOTE: Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 2, (c) If only one prime contractor responds to a solicitation document, a contracting authority may award a construction contract to the responding prime contractor even if the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 are not met.
ATTACHMENT A-1

FIRST-TIER SUBCONTRACTORS LIST

SUBMIT PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

STATE PROJECT NUMBER: ____________________________________________________

Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 5. A prime contractor or subcontractor shall include in its verification of compliance under subdivision 4 a list of all of its first-tier subcontractors that it intends to retain for work on the project. Prior to execution of a construction contract, and as a condition precedent to the execution of a construction contract, the apparent successful prime contractor shall submit to the contracting authority a supplemental verification under oath confirming compliance with subdivision 3, clause (7). Each contractor or subcontractor shall obtain from all subcontractors with which it will have a direct contractual relationship a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying that they meet all of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 prior to execution of a construction contract with each subcontractor.

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*Attach additional sheets as needed for submission of all first-tier subcontractors.

SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATION FOR ATTACHMENT A-1

By signing this document I certify that I am an owner or officer of the company, and I swear under oath that:

All first-tier subcontractors listed on attachment A-1 have verified through a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer that they meet the minimum criteria to be a responsible contractor as defined in Minn. Stat. § 16C.285.

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### ATTACHMENT A-2

### ADDITIONAL SUBCONTRACTORS LIST

**PRIME CONTRACTOR TO SUBMIT AS SUBCONTRACTORS ARE ADDED TO THE PROJECT**

**STATE PROJECT NUMBER:** ________________________________

This form must be submitted to the Project Manager or individual as identified in the solicitation document.

Minn. Stat. § 16C.285, Subd. 5. … If a prime contractor or any subcontractor retains additional subcontractors on the project after submitting its verification of compliance, the prime contractor or subcontractor shall obtain verifications of compliance from each additional subcontractor with which it has a direct contractual relationship and shall submit a supplemental verification confirming compliance with subdivision 3, clause (7), within 14 days of retaining the additional subcontractors. …

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### SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATION FOR ATTACHMENT A-2

By signing this document I certify that I am an owner or officer of the company, and I swear under oath that:

All additional subcontractors listed on Attachment A-2 have verified through a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer that they meet the minimum criteria to be a responsible contractor as defined in Minn. Stat. § 16C.285.

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Work includes the replacement of heating, cooling, and air handling systems and work related to the installation of these units at CHUM, 102 West 2nd Street, Duluth, MN.

- Direct replacement of two hot water boilers. Existing boilers are 180,000 BTU.
- Direct replacement of rooftop HVAC unit.
- Replacement of air handling unit.
- Bid should include all costs related to the installation of boilers, air handler, and rooftop HVAC unit.
- Bids shall include all equipment, piping, venting, ducting, smoke detectors, alarms, and electrical and control work related to the installation. Work to follow all manufacturers’ recommendations for installation and venting.
- Bids should specify the brand and model of units to be installed and related warranty detail.

Bid shall include any city-required permits, removal of all debris, and disposal of replaced mechanical equipment.
This project is funded in whole or in part with Community Development Block Grant funds. Any contract resulting from this Advertisement for Bids shall contain the following provisions, as applicable:

(A) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this Contract may be terminated at any time upon written notice given by Owner to the Contractor (for any reason, including the convenience of the Owner), at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of the termination of this Contract. Owner agrees that termination hereunder will not relieve the Owner of its obligation to pay Contractor for Work satisfactorily performed and reasonable costs incurred prior to the effective date of the termination provided that Contractor has not committed a breach of this Contract. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent either party from pursuing or collecting any damages to which it may be entitled by law.


(C) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141–3148). All prime construction contracts in excess of $2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141–3144, and 3146–3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors shall be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The contracts shall also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”).

(D) Contractors shall comply with all 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 (42 U.S.C. 6201).

(E) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. This shall include making maximum use of products containing recovered materials as designated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) unless (i) the materials cannot be acquired competitively and within the timeframe required by the contract performance schedule; (ii) the materials designated by the EPA do not meet contract performance requirements; or (iii) the materials cannot be acquired for a reasonable price. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at the EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
Applicability
The Project or Program to which the construction work covered by this contract pertains is being assisted by the United States of America and the following Federal Labor Standards Provisions are included in this Contract pursuant to the provisions applicable to such Federal assistance.

A. 1. (i) Minimum Wages. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under Section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible, place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

(ii) (a) Any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefor only when the following criteria have been met:

(1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(b) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and HUD or its designee agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by HUD or its designee to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB control number 1215-0140.)

(c) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and HUD or its designee do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), HUD or its designee shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of HUD or its designee, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)

(d) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to subparagraphs (1)(ii)(b) or (c) of this paragraph, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

(iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

(iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part
of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program. Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)

2. Withholding. HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract in the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased. HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due. The Comptroller General shall make such disbursements in the case of direct Davis-Bacon Act contracts.

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

(ii) (a) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to HUD or its designee if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to HUD or its designee. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i) except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee’s social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to HUD or its designee if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to HUD or its designee, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this subparagraph for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to HUD or its designee. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0149.)

(b) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a “Statement of Compliance,” signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(3)(ii), the appropriate information is being maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), and that such information is correct and complete;
(2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR Part 3;

(3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(c) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the “Statement of Compliance” required by subparagraph A.3.(ii)(b).

(d) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 231 of Title 31 of the United States Code.

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

4. Apprentices and Trainees.

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

(ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee’s level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by
the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(iii) Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under 29 CFR Part 5 shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3 which are incorporated by reference in this contract

6. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor will insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in subparagraphs 1 through 11 in this paragraph A and such other clauses as HUD or its designee may by appropriate instructions require, and a copy of the applicable prevailing wage decision, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in this paragraph.

7. Contract termination; debarment. A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract

9. Disputes concerning labor standards. Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and HUD or its designee, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

10. (i) Certification of Eligibility. By entering into this contract the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor’s firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1) or to be awarded HUD contracts or participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.

11. Complaints, Proceedings, or Testimony by Employees. No laborer or mechanic to whom the wage, salary, or other labor standards provisions of this Contract are applicable shall be discharged or in any other manner discriminated against by the Contractor or any subcontractor because such employee has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding or has testified or is about to testify in any proceeding under or relating to the labor standards applicable under this Contract to his employer.

B. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The provisions of this paragraph B are applicable where the amount of the prime contract exceeds $100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms “laborers” and “mechanics” include watchmen and guards.

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which the individual is employed on such work to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek. No contractor or subcontractor shall be liable for unpaid wages or liquidated damages in the event of any violation of the overtime requirements of this Act.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the overtime requirements of this Act, the contractor and any subcontractor, are 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 overtime requirements of this Act.

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

(4) **Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in subparagraph (1) through (4) of this paragraph and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this paragraph.

C. **Health and Safety.** The provisions of this paragraph C are applicable where the amount of the prime contract exceeds $100,000.

(1) No laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to his health and safety as determined under construction safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor by regulation.

(2) The Contractor shall comply with all regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Title 29 Part 1926 and failure to comply may result in imposition of sanctions pursuant to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, (Public Law 91-54, 83 Stat 96). 40 USC 3701 et seq.

(3) The contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract so that such provisions will be binding on each subcontractor. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Labor shall direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.
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Superseded General Decision Number: MN20180194

State: Minnesota

Construction Type: Building

County: St Louis County in Minnesota.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories).

Note: Under Executive Order (EO) 13658, an hourly minimum wage of $10.60 for calendar year 2019 applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least $10.60 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2019. If this contract is covered by the EO and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must pay workers in that classification at least the wage rate determined through the conformance process set forth in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) (or the EO minimum wage rate, if it is higher than the conformed wage rate). The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Please note that this EO applies to the above-mentioned types of contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but it does not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60). Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

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* SHEE0010-034 04/30/2018 |

SHEET METAL WORKER (Includes HVAC Duct and Unit)
Installation)....................$ 33.75            27.21
* UAVG-MN-0024 06/22/2018

Rates Fringes
OPERATOR:
Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.......$ 35.60            19.64
* UAVG-MN-0025 06/22/2018

Rates Fringes
PAINTER (Brush and Roller).......$ 29.50            17.64
SUMN2015-064 06/22/2018

Rates Fringes
OPERATOR:  Bobcat/Skid
Steer/Skid Loader................$ 32.03            14.80
TRUCK DRIVER:  Dump Truck.......$ 23.43            12.33

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing
operation to which welding is incidental.

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave
for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the
Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any
solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this
contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide
employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours
they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year.
Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their
own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including
preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is
like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other
health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons
resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is
like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic
violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information
on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO
is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within
the scope of the classifications listed may be added after
award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses
(29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).
The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of "identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than "SU" or "UAVG" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the "SU" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in
the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

* an existing published wage determination
* a survey underlying a wage determination
* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.
3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

    Administrative Review Board  
    U.S. Department of Labor  
    200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
    Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION
NOTICE TO BIDDERS - SUSPENSIONS/DEBARMENTS

Bidders are advised not to use suspended or debarred parties as subcontractors or material suppliers on this project. Both the federal government and the State of Minnesota suspend and debar vendors. Review the lists of suspended and debarred vendors when submitting a bid and when submitting a request to sublet.

State Suspensions and Debarments.

To review the list of parties suspended and debarred by the State of Minnesota, go to this website: http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/debarredreport.asp. This list includes parties suspended and debarred by the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Minnesota Department of Administration.

Federal Suspensions and Debarments.

The federal government maintains a website listing suspended and debarred parties. You do not need a username or password to use the search functions on the website. You can either search for specific entity names, or see a list of parties suspended and debarred by the Federal Highway Administration.

To search the status of a particular vendor, follow this process:

First, go to the System for Awards Management (SAM) website: https://www.sam.gov (requires Internet Explorer version 11 or higher, or another supported browser such as Chrome).

Next, click on the “Search Records” icon.

Next, enter the potential subcontractor or supplier’s name in the “Quick Search” box and click the “search” button.

To view a list of all entities suspended or debarred by the Federal Highway Administration, follow this process:

First, go to the System for Awards Management (SAM) website: https://www.sam.gov (requires Internet Explorer version 11 or higher, or another supported browser such as Chrome).

Next, click on the “Search Records” icon.

Next, click on the “Advance Search – Exclusion” tab.

Next, click on the “single search” icon and a search form will pop up.

Next, go to the “Agency” field on the search page and select “Federal Highway Administration” from the drop-down list.

Next, click the “search” button, and the list of suspended and debarred parties will appear.
IMPORTANT ELECTRONIC BIDDING INFORMATION

Attention All Bidders: Avoid Rejection of Your Bid

1. Your bid will not be accepted if it includes any of the following irregularities:
   a. It does not include a proposal guaranty submitted electronically through Bid Express® using Surety 2000 or SuretyWave, or as a hard copy by mail or other delivery method, either as a corporate surety bond or a certified check made payable to the City of Duluth. If not submitted electronically, the proposal guaranty must be received by the Purchasing Division, located in City Hall Room 120, 411 West 1st Street, Duluth, MN 55802 NO LATER THAN 2:00 PM the specified date of opening, the proposal guaranty must be in a sealed envelope marked clearly with the bid number, name of the bidder, project name and project number;
   b. It is not signed by Digital ID by the individual, one or more of the partnership, or one or more officers of a corporation;
   c. Any unit price for any pay item is omitted.

2. Proposals will be considered irregular and may be rejected for any of the following reasons:
   a. If any addenda is not acknowledged electronically through Bid Express®;
   b. If the bid is a conditional bid (Conditional bids are not allowed unless provided for in the Special Provisions);
   c. Required documents have not been electronically acknowledged.

3. Additional Information:
   a. All bids must be electronically submitted through Bid Express® or sealed hard copies received in Purchasing by the time stated in the Invitation to Bid.

This list not intended to be all inclusive. Please review and read the entire Proposal Package before electronically submitting your bid.
NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

To report bid rigging activities call:

1-800-424-9071

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free "hotline" Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report such activities.

The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.