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DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT AND APPLICANT ASSURANCES

ORGANIZATION NAME (HEREAFTER NAMED ORGANIZATION)

| PRIMARY AGENT | SECONDARY AGENT |
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THE ABOVE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY AGENTS ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AND FILE APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING CERTAIN STATE AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE ROBERT T. STAFFORD DISASTER RELIEF & EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ACT, (PUBLIC LAW 93-288 AS AMENDED) OR OTHERWISE AVAILABLE. THIS AGENT IS AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT AND ACT FOR THE ORGANIZATION IN ALL DEALINGS WITH THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR MATTERS PERTAINING TO SUCH DISASTER ASSISTANCE REQUIRED BY THE AGREEMENTS AND ASSURANCES PRINTED ON THE SECOND ATTACHED PAGE.

| CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | CERTIFYING OFFICIAL |
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APPLICANT'S STATE COGNIZANT AGENCY FOR SINGLE AUDIT PURPOSES (IF A COGNIZANT AGENCY IS NOT ASSIGNED, PLEASE INDICATE):

APPLICANT'S FISCAL YEAR (FY) START

MONTH:

DAY:

APPLICANT'S FEDERAL EMPLOYER'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

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APPLICANT'S STATE PAYEE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

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CERTIFYING OFFICIAL'S SIGNATURE

APPLICANT ASSURANCES

The applicant hereby assures and certifies that he will comply with the FEMA regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements including OMB's Circulars No. A-95 and A-102, and FMC 74-4, as they relate to the application, acceptance and use of Federal funds for this Federally-assisted project. Also, the Applicant gives assurance and certifies with respect to and as a condition for the grant that:

1. It possesses legal authority to apply for the grant, and to finance and construct the proposed facilities; that it is duly authorized pursuant to appropriate applicant authority and/or a resolution, motion or similar action has been duly adopted or passed as an official act of the applicant's governing body and that the agents and officials designated herein are duly authorized under North Carolina law to act on behalf of the organization in all dealings with the State of North Carolina and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for all matters pertaining to the disaster assistance required by the agreements and assurances contained herein.
2. It will comply with the provisions of: Executive Order 11988, relating to Floodplain Management and Executive Order 12148, relating to Protection of Wetlands.
3. It will have sufficient funds available to meet the non-Federal share of the cost for construction projects. Sufficient funds will be available when construction is completed to assure effective operation and maintenance of the facility for the purpose constructed.
4. It will not enter into a construction contract(s) for the project or undertake other activities until the conditions of the grant program(s) have been met.
5. It will provide and maintain competent and adequate architectural engineering supervision and inspection at the construction site to insure that the completed work conforms with the approved plans and specifications; that it will furnish progress reports and such other information as the Federal grantor agency may need.
6. It will operate and maintain the facility in accordance with the minimum standards as may be required or prescribed by the applicable Federal, State and local agencies for the maintenance and operation of such facilities.
7. It will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
8. It will require the facility to be designed to comply with the "American Standard Specifications for Making Buildings and Facilities Accessible to, and Usable by the Physically Handicapped," Number A117.1-1961, as modified (41 CFR 101-17-7031). The applicant will be responsible for conducting inspections to ensure compliance with these specifications by the contractor.
9. It will cause work on the project to be commenced within a reasonable time after receipt of notification from the approving Federal agency that funds have been approved and will see that work on the project will be prosecuted to completion with reasonable diligence.
10. It will not dispose of or encumber its title or other interests in the site and facilities during the period of Federal interest or while the Government holds bonds, whichever is the longer.
11. It agrees to comply with Section 311, P.L. 93-288 and with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and in accordance with Title VI of the Act, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant receives Federal financial assistance and will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement. If any real property or structure is provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the Applicant, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits.
12. It will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have family, business, or other ties.
13. It will comply with the requirements of Title II and Title III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provides for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced as a result of Federal and Federally assisted programs.
14. It will comply with all requirements imposed by the Federal grantor agency concerning special requirements of law, program requirements, and other administrative requirements approved in accordance with OMB Circular A-102, P.L. 93-288 as amended, and applicable Federal Regulations.
15. It will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act, as amended, 5 USC 1501 et. seq. and 7324 et. seq., which limit the political activity of employees.
16. It will comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 201 et seq., as they apply to hospital and educational institution employees of State and local governments.
17. (To the best of his knowledge and belief) the disaster relief work described on each Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Project Application for which Federal Financial assistance is requested is eligible in accordance with the criteria contained in 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 206, and applicable FEMA Handbooks.
18. The emergency or disaster relief work therein described for which Federal Assistance is requested hereunder does not or will not duplicate benefits received for the same loss from another source.
19. It will (1) provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements and rights-of-way necessary for accomplishments of the approved work; (2) hold and save the United States free from damages due to the approved work or Federal funding.
20. This assurance is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, reimbursements, advances, contracts, property, discounts of other Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Applicant by FEMA, that such Federal Financial assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this assurance and that the United States shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the applicant, its successors, transferees, and assignees, and the person or persons whose signatures appear on the reverse as authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of the applicant.
21. It will comply with the flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Public Law 93-234, 87 Stat. 975, approved December 31, 1973, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 40001 et. seq.. Further, Sections 102 and 103 (42 U.S.C. 4012a and 4015) required, on and after March 2, 1975, the purchase of flood insurance in communities where such insurance is available as a condition for the receipt of any Federal financial assistance for construction or acquisition purposes for use in any area that has been identified by the Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency as an area having special flood hazards. The phrase "Federal financial assistance" includes any form of loan, grant, guaranty, insurance payment, rebate, subsidy, disaster assistance loan or grant, or any other form of direct or indirect Federal assistance.
22. It will comply with the insurance requirements of Section 314, PL 93-288, to obtain and maintain any other insurance as may be reasonable, adequate, and necessary to protect against further loss to any property which was replaced, restored, repaired, or constructed with this assistance.
23. It will defer funding of any projects involving flexible funding until FEMA makes a favorable environmental clearance, if this is required.
24. It will assist the Federal grantor agency in its compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, 54 U.S.C. 306108 (former 16 U.S.C. 470), Executive Order 11593, and the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1966 or 1974, 54 U.S.C. 312501 et. seq. (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.) by (a) consulting with the State Historic Preservation Officer on the conduct of investigations, as necessary, to identify properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic places that are subject to adverse effects (see 36 CFR Part 800.8) by the activity, and notifying the Federal grantor agency of the existence of any such properties, and by (b) complying with all requirements established by the Federal grantor agency to avoid or mitigate adverse effects upon such properties.
25. It will, for any repairs or construction financed herewith, comply with applicable standards of safety, decency and sanitation and in conformity with applicable codes, specifications and standards; and, will evaluate the natural hazards in areas in which the proceeds of the grant or loan are to be used and take appropriate action to mitigate such hazards, including safe land use and construction practices.

STATE ASSURANCES

The State agrees to take any necessary action within State capabilities to require compliance with these assurances and agreements by the applicant or to assume responsibility to the Federal government for any deficiencies not resolved to the satisfaction of the Regional Director.

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title, or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progress reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL | TITLE | |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION | | DATE SUBMITTED |

**CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND
OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS**

*O.M.B. No. 1660-0025
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Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 44 CFR Part 18, "New Restrictions on Lobbying" and 28 CFR Part 17, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) determines to award the transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING

As required by section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 18, for persons entering into a grant or cooperating agreement over \$ 100,000, as defined at 44 CFR Part 18, the applicant certifies that:

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

(b) If any other funds than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any other person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or an employee of Congress, or employee of a member of Congress in connection with this Federal Grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Stand Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions

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

 Standard Form-LLL "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" attached (This form must be attached to certification if nonappropriated funds are to be used to influence activities.)

2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (DIRECT RECIPIENT)

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 67, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 44 CFR Part 17, Section 17.510-A. The applicant certifies that it and its recipients:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of a or had a civilian judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or perform a public a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause of default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

**3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE
(GRANTEE OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)**

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 17, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 44 CFR Part 17.615 and 17.620-

A. The applicant certifies that it will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by;

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distributions
- (b) Establishing an on-going drug free awareness program to inform employees about-

- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant to be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will-

- (1) Abide by the term of the statement; and
- (2) Notify the employee in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring ion the workplace no later than five calendar days after such convections;

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing, with 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position, title, to the applicable FEMA awarding office, i.e., regional office or FEMA office.

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is convicted-

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such an employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a),(b),(c),(d),(e) and (f).

B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, City, County, State, Zip code)

Check If there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Section 17.630 of the regulations provide that a grantee that is a State may elect to make one certification in each Federal fiscal year. A copy of which should be included with each application for FEMA funding. States and State agencies may elect to use a state wide certification.
