

SRF Required Front-End Specifications

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**Attachment 2: SRF Required Front-End Specifications
Debarments and Suspensions**

*This form to be completed by the Prime Contractor and submitted with the bid.

Any bidder or equipment supplier whose firm or affiliate is listed in on the U.S. General Services Administration Excluded Parties List will be prohibited from the bidding process. The excluded parties records search engine is located at the System for Award Management (SAM) website: <https://sam.gov>. Pursuant to 2 CFR Part 180, as supplemented by 2 CFR 1532, any entity submitting a bid while the SAM website lists that entity as having an active exclusion will be determined by the DNR to be a non-responsive bidder and will not be able to receive SRF funding.

United States Environmental Protection Agency Washington, DC 20460

**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension,
and Other Responsibility Matters**

The prospective participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and the principals:

- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing 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 or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government 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/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

I understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection of this proposal or termination of the award. In addition, under 18 U SC Sec. 10 01, a false statement may result in a fine or imprisonment, or both.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Printed Name

Title

☐ I am unable to certify to the above statements. My explanation is attached.

**Attachment 3: SRF Required Front-End Specifications
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Solicitation**

*This form to be completed by Prime Contractor and submitted with the bid.

In Iowa, DBEs must be certified through the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT). Information on certification requirements and a list of certified DBEs is on the IDOT website at <https://secure.iowadot.gov/DBE/Home/Index/>.

Prime contractors' DBE requirements for SRF projects include:

- Taking affirmative steps for DBE participation
- Documenting the efforts and the proposed utilization of certified DBEs

PROJECT INFORMATION

SRF Applicant: _____ Bidder: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

1. At this point in time, has the prime contractor begun to solicit work opportunities to subcontractors for this project?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
2. Do you agree to use the good faith efforts checklist to ensure the DBEs have the opportunity to compete for procurements funded by EPA financial assistance funds?
☐ Yes ☐ No
3. If yes, was a DBE chosen by the prime contractor to be utilized for this project?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature: _____

GOOD FAITH EFFORTS CHECKLIST

Please complete the checklist to determine if you have complied with the requirement to make good faith efforts to ensure that certified DBEs have the opportunity to compete for procurements funded by EPA financial assistance funds. Bidders/offerers must make good faith efforts prior to submission of bids/proposals.

1. Did you ensure that DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities?
☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Did you make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process? This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitation for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
☐ Yes ☐ No
3. Did you consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs? This will include dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
☐ Yes ☐ No
4. Did you encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually?
☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Did you use the services of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce to identify potential subcontractors?
☐ Yes ☐ No
6. List the potential DBE subcontractors that were contacted. Only list those that are certified through the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Name	How Contacted (e.g. letter, phone call, fax, e-mail)	Response (e.g. did not respond, not interested, not competitive)

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS

Several contract provisions are required to prevent unfair practices that adversely affect DBEs. These include:

1. Prime Contractor must pay its Subcontractor for satisfactory performance no more than 30 days from the Prime Contractor's receipt of payment from the SRF loan recipient.
2. Prime Contractor must notify the SRF loan recipient in writing prior to termination of a DBE subcontractor for convenience.
3. Prime Contractor must employ the six Good Faith Efforts to solicit a replacement subcontractor if a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under a subcontract for any reason.

**Attachment 4: SRF Required Front-End Specifications
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Subcontractor Performance Form**

*This form to be completed by Prime and DBE Subcontractor for each subcontract and submitted with the bid.

*If a DBE has NOT yet been selected by the Prime Contractor or if no DBEs are needed, then this form is not required to be submitted at this time.

This form is intended to capture the DBE¹ subcontractor's² description of work to be performed and the price of the work submitted to the prime contractor. An EPA Financial Assistance Agreement recipient must require its prime contractor to have its DBE subcontractors complete this form and include all completed forms in the prime contractor's bid or proposal package.

Subcontractor Name: _____

Project Name: _____

Bid/Proposal No.: _____ Assistance Agreement ID No. (if known): _____

Point of Contact: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Email: _____

Prime Contractor Name: _____

Issuing/Funding Entity: _____

Contract Item Number	Description of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor Involving Construction, Services, Equipment or Supplies	Price of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above.

Prime Contractor Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

Subcontractor Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

¹A DBE is a Disadvantaged, Minority, or Woman Business Enterprise that has been certified by an entity from which EPA accepts certification as described in 40 CFR 33.204-33.205. EPA accepts certifications from entities that meet or exceed EPA certification standards as described in 40 CFR 33.202.

²Subcontractor is defined as a company, firm, joint venture, or individual who enters into an agreement with a contractor to provide services pursuant to an EPA award of financial assistance.

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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Subcontractor Utilization Form

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This form is intended to capture the prime contractor's actual and/or intended use of identified certified DBE¹ subcontractors² and the estimated dollar amount of each subcontract. An EPA Financial Assistance Agreement Recipient must require its prime contractors to complete this form and include it in the bid or proposal package. Prime contractors should also maintain a copy of this form on file.

Prime Contractor Name: _____

Project Name: _____

Bid/Proposal No.: _____ Assistance Agreement ID No. (if known): _____

Point of Contact: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Email: _____

Issuing/Funding Entity: _____

I have identified potential DBE certified subcontractors ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, complete the table below. If no, explain: _____

Subcontractor Name/ Company Name	Company Address/Phone/Email	Estimated Dollar Amount	Currently DBE Certified?
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above.

Prime Contractor Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

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Attachment 7: SRF Required Front-End Specifications
Other Federal Requirements Language

A. -RESERVED-

B. Federal Labor Standards Provisions (including Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates)

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.

(1) Minimum wages.

- (i) 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 paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in Sec. 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section) 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) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, 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. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore 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 the contracting officer 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 the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting

officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this section, 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.
- (2) Withholding. The EPA 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, the EPA 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.
- (3) Payrolls and basic records.
- (i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and 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.
 - (ii) (A) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) 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 the (write in name of agency). 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/whd/programs/dbra/forms.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 the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit them to the applicant, sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the (write in name of agency), 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 section 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 the sponsoring government agency (or the applicant, sponsor, or owner).

(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 Sec. 5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under Sec. 5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, 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 Regulations, 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 paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section.

(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 paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the EPA 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, the Federal agency 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 journeyman 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 classification of 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 this part shall be in conformity with, 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 shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the (write in the name of the Federal agency) may by appropriate instructions require, 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 29 CFR 5.5.
- (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 (and any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.
- (10) Certification of eligibility.
 - (i) 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).

- (ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.
- (b) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section in full in any contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by Sec. 5.5(a) or 4.6 of part 4 of this title. 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 he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
 - (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
 - (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The loan recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.
 - (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.
- (c) In addition to the clauses contained in paragraph (b), in any contract subject only to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and not to any of the other statutes cited in Sec. 5.1, the Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert a clause requiring that the contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Further, the Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert in any such contract a clause providing that the records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the EPA and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

C. -RESERVED-

D. Historical and Archeological Finds

Should any cultural, historical, or paleontological resources including but not limited to deposits of charcoal or ash, animal bones, pottery sherds, or stone tools be exposed as part of proposed project activities, the owner shall stop ground-disturbing activities within 100 feet of the discovery and immediately notify the State Revolving Fund Environmental Review Specialist (SRF). No further disturbance of the deposits shall ensue until the SRF determines that the project activities in that area may proceed.

If human remains are accidentally discovered, Iowa burial law [[Iowa Code Sections 263B, 523I.316(6), and 716.5; 685 IAC 11.1] requires that all work in the vicinity of the finding be halted, the remains left in place and protected, local law enforcement officials notified, and the bioarchaeology director at the Office of the State Archaeologist (OSA) contacted immediately (319-384-0740). Photographs are only to be taken at the direction of the bioarchaeology director and must not be shared publicly.

In all cases of inadvertent discovery, the SRF shall determine the applicability of the Protection of Historic Properties regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation [36 CFR Part 800.13(b)] and, when applicable, shall notify the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and consult with the SHPO, OSA, and other interested parties to determine the proper course of action regarding the discovery.

Compensation to the contractor, if any, for lost time or changes in construction to avoid the find, shall be determined in accordance with changed conditions or change order provisions of the specifications.

E. Prohibitions on Procurement from Violating Facilities (Section 306, Clean Air Act; Section 508, Clean Water Act; Executive Order 11738)

Both the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act prohibit federal agencies from extending assistance by way of loans or contracts to persons who have been convicted of violations of either law. Executive Order 11738 was issued to coordinate enforcement by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which shall designate facilities which have given rise to a conviction for an offense under the criminal provisions of the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act.

The Executive Order also prohibits agencies from extending assistance to facilities that are not in compliance with either Act.

SRF assistance recipients may not procure goods, services, or materials from suppliers listed by the EPA as violators.

The Excluded Parties Listing search engine is located at the System for Award Management (SAM) website:
<https://sam.gov>.

Attachment 8: SRF Required Front-End Specifications
Right of Entry and Records Retention

The recipient shall provide access at all times for the Department of Natural Resources, the Iowa Finance Authority, the state auditor, and the U.S. EPA Office of the Inspector General to all project records and documents for inspection and audit purposes for a period of three years after the date of last loan payment. The same access to the project site(s) shall be provided for inspection purposes.

567 Iowa Administrative Code paragraph 92.8 (2).e. State inspections. Personnel of the department shall have the right to examine all construction aspects of the project, including materials and equipment delivered and stored on site for use on the project.

Attachment 9: SRF Required Front-End Specifications

Build America, Buy America Requirements

On November 15, 2021, President Joseph R. Biden Jr. signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (“IIJA”), Pub. L. No. 117-58, which includes the Build America, Buy America Act (“the Act”). Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§ 70901-52. The Act strengthens Made in America Laws and will bolster America’s industrial base, protect national security, and support high-paying jobs. The Act requires that no later than May 14, 2022 - 180 days after the enactment of the IIJA - the head of each covered Federal agency shall ensure that “none of the funds made available for a Federal financial assistance program for infrastructure, including each deficient program, may be obligated for a project unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.” (Build America, Buy America Act, P.L. 117-58, Secs 70911-70917).

Any project that is funded in whole or in part with federal assistance must comply with the Build America, Buy America (BABA) requirement, unless the requirement is otherwise waived. As required by federal law, all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials permanently incorporated into a project funded with the assistance from the State Revolving Fund are produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the BABA requirement, unless a waiver is granted by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

For the Clean Water and Drinking Water SRF programs, this requirement applies only to the following projects:

- Construction projects identified as “equivalency projects” for base SRF capitalization grants;
- Construction projects identified as “equivalency projects” for BIL general supplemental capitalization grants;
- All construction projects funded with BIL emerging contaminants capitalization grants;
- All construction projects funded with BIL lead service line replacement capitalization grants.

Note: The American Iron & Steel (AIS) requirement continues to apply for all Clean Water and Drinking Water SRF projects except when superseded by the BABA requirement.

BABA requires that all projects receiving direct federal financial assistance from the State Revolving Fund after May 14, 2022 must comply with the following requirement:

1. All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States. This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
2. All manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States. This means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States, and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation.
3. All construction materials are manufactured in the United States. This means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure can be found here: [M-22-11 \(whitehouse.gov\)](https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-action/initial-implementation-guidance-on-application-of-buy-america-preference-in-federal-financial-assistance-programs-for-infrastructure/)

Additional information, including any published waivers, is posted on the EPA website, <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/build-america-buy-america-baba>.

Sample “Build America, Buy America” Contract Language

In order to fulfill the requirements, the assistance recipient must in good faith design the project and solicit bids for construction with U.S.-made iron and steel products, manufactured products and construction materials. The following information will be included in any contracts resulting from this request for bids:

The Contractor acknowledges to and for the benefit of the _____ (“Owner”) and the _____ (“Funding Authority”) that it understands the goods and services under this Agreement are being funded with federal monies and have statutory requirements commonly known as “Build America, Buy America;” that requires all of the iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project to be produced in the United States (“Build America, Buy America Requirements”) including iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials provided by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

The Contractor hereby represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Owner and Funding Authority (a) the Contractor has reviewed and understands the Build America, Buy America Requirements, (b) all of the iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project will be and/or have been produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the Build America, Buy America Requirements, unless a waiver of the requirements is approved, and (c) the Contractor will provide any further verified information, certification or assurance of compliance with this paragraph, or information necessary to support a waiver of the Build America, Buy America Requirements, as may be requested by the Owner or the Funding Authority.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any failure to comply with this paragraph by the Contractor shall permit the Owner or Funding Authority to recover as damages against the Contractor any loss, expense, or cost (including without limitation attorney’s fees) incurred by the Owner or Funding Authority resulting from any such failure (including without limitation any impairment or loss of funding, whether in whole or in part, from the Funding Authority or any damages owed to the Funding Authority by the Owner). If the Contractor has no direct contractual privity with the Funding Authority, as a lender or awardee to the Owner for the funding of its project, the Owner and the Contractor agree that the Funding Authority is a third-party beneficiary and neither this paragraph (nor any other provision of this Agreement necessary to give this paragraph force or effect) shall be amended or waived without the prior written consent of the Funding Authority.

BABA Covered and Non Covered Items

- Iron and steel + manufactured products + construction materials
- Items should only be classified into ONE of the three categories
- Applies to items consumed in, incorporated into or affixed to an infrastructure project (aka permanently incorporated)
- Does not apply to items brought to and removed from the construction site prior to the completion of the infrastructure project (e.g., temporary scaffolding)
- Does not apply to equipment and furnishings that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project (e.g., movable chairs, desks, portable computer equipment)

Definition of Iron and Steel -

- Items that are predominantly iron or steel, unless another standard applies under law or regulation
- All manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, must occur in the U.S.

Definition of Manufactured Products -

- Manufactured in the U.S.
- Cost of components that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product
- Unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content has been established under applicable law or regulation

Construction Materials -

Includes:

- Non-ferrous metals
- Plastic and polymer-based products (including PVC, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables)

- Glass (including optic glass)
- Lumber
- Drywall

Excludes:

- Items made primarily of iron or steel
- Manufactured products
- Cement and cementitious materials
- Aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel
- Aggregate binding agents/additive

Sample Certifications

As indicated in the contract language, it will be the responsibility of the Contractor to obtain certifications that the products and materials used in the project are U.S.-made. EPA recommends the use of a step certification process for documenting compliance with BABA requirements, similar to one used by the Federal Highway Administration. Step certification creates a paper trail which documents the location of the manufacturing process involved with the production of steel and iron materials. Each handler (supplier, fabricator, manufacturer, processor, coater, etc.) of the iron and steel products certifies that their step in the process was domestically performed.

The following information is provided as a sample letter of step certification for BABA compliance. Documentation must be provided on company letterhead. In this example, there may be multiple letters from different manufacturers if one manufacturer did not perform all of the steps.

Date

Company Name

Company Address

City, State Zip

Subject: Build America, Buy America Step Certification for Project (XXXXXXXXXX)

I, (company representative), certify that the (melting, bending, coating, galvanizing, cutting, etc.) process for (manufacturing or fabricating) the following products and/or materials shipped or provided for the subject project is in full compliance with the Build America, Buy America requirement as mandated in EPA's State Revolving Fund Programs.

Item, Products and/or Materials:

1. Xxx

2. Xxx

3. Xxx

Such process took place at the following location:

If any of the above compliance statements change while providing material to this project we will immediately notify the prime contractor and the engineer.

Signed by company representative

Alternatively, the final manufacturer that delivers the iron or steel product to the worksite, vendor, or contractor, may provide a certification asserting that all manufacturing processes occurred in the U.S. and providing detailed information on the steps involved.

Build America, Buy America Procurement List

In consultation with their contractors, assistance recipients should determine the items to be covered by this waiver and must retain relevant documentation (i.e. invoices) as to those items. Assistance recipients must summarize in reports to the State of Iowa the types and/or categories of items to which this waiver is applied, the total cost of incidental components for each type or category, and the calculations by which they determined the total cost of materials used in and incorporated into the project.

Build America, Buy America *De Minimis* Waiver

Section 70914(b)(1) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act authorizes the Administrator to waive the requirements of Build America, Buy America if implementation would be inconsistent with the public interest. Due to the critical need to reduce the administrative burden for recipients and agencies and to ensure recipients can effectively carry out the EPA funded activity in a timely manner, it is in the public interest to waive Build America, Buy America requirements for products used in and incorporated into a project that cumulatively comprise no more than five percent of the total project cost. This waiver is not additive with the existing American Iron and Steel national de minimis waiver. The EPA will review this waiver every five years after the date on which the waiver is issued.

This waiver advances Build America, Buy America by reducing the administrative burden to potential assistance recipients where the costs of compliance could distract from the focus on higher value compliant items. Failure to provide recipients such flexibilities could delay the award for infrastructure projects as assistance recipients must exert considerable effort accounting for the sourcing for miscellaneous, low-cost items.

In consultation with their contractors, assistance recipients should determine the items to be covered by this waiver and must retain relevant documentation (i.e. invoices) as to those items. Assistance recipients must summarize in reports to the State of Iowa the types and/or categories of items to which this waiver is applied, the total project cost for each type or category, and the calculations by which they determined the total cost of materials used in and incorporated into the project.

The successful bidder will fill out the materials spreadsheet (shown below) and submit it to the assistance recipient to indicate items proposed to be procured for the project.

Assistance recipients will complete the AIS De Minimis Waiver Products List for the entire project to demonstrate compliance with the De Minimis Waiver cost requirements outlined above.

Related forms and resources can be found at <https://opportunityiowa.gov/community/water-quality/srf-resources/documents-and-guides>.

Attachment 10: SRF Required Front-End Specifications

*This form to be completed by Prime Contractor and submitted with the bid.

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

This term and condition implements 2 CFR 200.216 and is effective for obligations and expenditures of EPA financial assistance funding on or after 8/13/2020. EPA recipients and subrecipients, including borrowers under EPA funded revolving loan fund programs, are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

- (a) Procure or obtain, extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain;
- (b) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure; or
- (c) Obtain the equipment, services, or systems that use "covered telecommunications equipment or services"

identified in the regulation as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

Certain equipment, systems, or services, including equipment, systems, or services produced or provided by entities subject to the prohibition are recorded in the System for Award Management exclusion list, website: <https://sam.gov>.

- (1) As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment or services includes:
 - (i) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (ii) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
 - (iv) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- (2) Consistent with 2 CFR 200.471, costs incurred for telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment such as phones, internet, video surveillance, and cloud servers are allowable except for the following circumstances:
 - (i) Obligating or expending EPA funds for covered telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment or services to procure (enter into, renew or extend contracts) or obtain the equipment, services, or systems as described in 2 CFR 200.216.

I understand the above prohibitions and certify that the project will be in compliance with all the requirements.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Title

Attachment 11

SRF Required Front-End Specifications

(This form must be completed and signed by the Prime Contractor and submitted with the bid.)

Construction Method Limitations for Lead Service Line Replacement Projects Service Line Replacement Techniques and Specifications*

Replacement of privately-owned water lines shall be completed through any of techniques 1-3 listed below, with option 4 available as an acceptable alternative.

1. Pull-Through Technique:

Replacing the service lines at the same depth as the originals with connecting pits limited to 10 feet by 10 feet, unless safety standards warrant a marginal increase in pit size.

2. Boring Technique:

With connecting pits limited to 10 feet by 10 feet relating to connecting to utility lines, unless safety standards warrant a marginal increase in pit size.

3. Directional Boring Technique:

Sending and receiving pits limited to 10 feet by 10 feet (or connecting pits relating to directional boring for utility lines no bigger than 10 feet by 10 feet), unless safety standards warrant a marginal increase in pit size

OR

- 4.** If for some reason the above construction methods cannot be used for an approved lead service line address, proceed with replacement using an equivalent construction method that will limit the disturbance to the construction area to not greater than described in techniques 1-3.

*If the above construction methods (1-3) or equivalent (4) cannot be used, contact SRF for further guidance on how to proceed with replacement at that address.

Protection and Restoration of Above-Ground Structures

1. The applicant shall not cause impacts to above ground structures, except where there are no other reasonable means to proceed with the lead service line replacement.
2. If the lead service line replacement will result in impacts to the material, position, and/or integrity of above ground structures (including, but not limited to: lampposts, brick streets, brick sidewalks, retaining walls, railings), the applicant shall repair the affected structure to its previous condition or better using original materials to the extent practicable.

Lead Service Line Disposal

1. Lead service line replacement does not require a water supply construction permit. However, other regulations, such as plumbing codes and local ordinances, remain applicable.
2. All lead pipes must either be:
 - a. Abandoned in place and physically disconnected from the active distribution system, or
 - b. Physically removed in their entirety.

For Additional Guidance - Contact the Iowa DNR Land Quality Bureau - Solid Waste and Contaminated Sites section of for further information on lead service line disposal regulations. 515-725-8200

I understand the above prohibitions and expectations and I certify that the project will be in compliance with all the requirements.

Printed Name _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____