

Request for Quotes 20-21CP-Tie Plates-007 Domestically Produced Tie Plates August 13, 2020

DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL REQUESTED:

• **Domestically Produced Tie Plates** conforming to the attached Pan Am Railways specification.

DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:

- Delivery costs shall be included in the quoted unit price.
- Tie Plates shall be delivered via truck as soon as possible after receipt of a purchase order. Please provide a proposed delivery date on the Quote Form. Quotes with earlier delivery dates may be given preference.
- Tie Plates shall be delivered to Pan Am Railways' Dover Yard in Dover, NH. Pan Am Railways will unload the tie plates. Tie plates may be shipped on pallets or loose, at the supplier's option.

REQUEST FOR QUOTES DUE DATE:

- Please provide a written quote on the attached quote form no later than 3:00 p.m. local time on Friday August 21, 2020.
- Quotes may be emailed or mailed to NNEPRA.
- All quotes shall be valid for 30 days.

REQUEST FOR QUOTE QUESTIONS:

- All questions must be received no later than Tuesday August 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. local time to be considered.
- NNEPRA will issue an addendum, if needed, on Wednesday August 19, 2020 answering questions received prior to the deadline.
- All questions regarding this Request for Quotes must be made in writing by USPS or email and directed to:

William Gayle, Grant and Policy Administrator Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority 75 West Commercial Street, Suite #104 Portland, Maine 04101 william@nnepra.com

Phone calls will not be accepted.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

• Pan Am Railways is making capital improvements to its Freight Main Line under a force account agreement with the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (NNEPRA). This material will be used for these capital improvements.

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- Portions of this project are being funded by Federal Funding Sources and State of Maine.
- Compliance with attached Federal Clauses is required.
- NNEPRA encourages their contractors to investigate the full extent of services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals in the community and to make reasonable efforts to use these institutions. Contact NNEPRA for further information or assistance.
- NNEPRA intends to provide a purchase order within five business days of the Request for
 Quotes due date to the lowest quoted price that is responsive to the requirements and is a
 responsible supplier. Quotes with earlier delivery dates may be given preference.
- NNEPRA has a dispute and protest policy. Contact the NNEPRA for more information.
- NNEPRA reserves the right to reject any or all Quotes, to waive any technical or legal deficiencies, and to accept any Quote that it may deem to be in the best interest of the Authority.

POST QUOTE REQUIREMENTS:

• The successful Supplier shall begin execution of this contract within ten (10) calendar days after a Purchase Order has been issued.

PAYMENT PROVISIONS:

• Payment will be made within 30 days after approval of invoices.

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QUOTE FORM

SUPPLIER NAME:					
		nestically Produced Tie Plates conforming to the attached Pan			
Am Railwa	ays specification.				
THIS QUOTE IS SUBMITTED TO:		Mr. William Gayle Grant and Policy Administrator Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority 75 W Commercial Street, Suite #104 Portland, Maine 04101 william@nnepra.com			
By submit	ting this Quote the und	ersigned Supplier:			
1.	Proposes and agrees, if the Quote is accepted, to enter into an Agreement with Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority to supply the Materials in accordance with the specifications and other Request for Quote Documents, for the prices and in accordance with the delivery schedule as detailed in the Quote Form.				
2.	Accepts all of the terms and conditions included in the Request for Quotes and agrees that this Quote will remain open for thirty days after the day of Request for Quotes due date.				
3. Agrees that:					
	• •	ned copies of all the Quote Documents and any addenda, ich is hereby acknowledged.			
	undisclosed persor any agreement or Supplier has not di submit a false or sh firm or corporatior collusion to obtain	ne and not made in the interest of or on behalf of any a, firm or corporation, and is not submitted in conformity with rules of any group, association, organization or corporation; rectly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Supplier to nam Quote; Supplier has not solicited or induced any person, to refrain from quoting; and Supplier has not sought by for himself any advantage over any other Supplier or over land Passenger Rail Authority.			
4.	Acknowledges that thi	s Request for Quotes does not constitute an order or contract.			
5.	•	rthern New England Passenger Rail Authority is exempt from ned hereby certifies that no taxes are included in the prices			
	Suppliers shall state if	exemption certificate is required: Yes No			

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QUOTE FORM

This Quote is submitted for the following product:

Domestically Produced Tie Plates conforming to the attached Pan Am Railways specification.

<u>Item</u>	Quantity	<u>Unit Price</u>	Total Price
Tie Plates	710 EA	/EA	
		Total Quoted Price:	
	Prop	oosed Delivery Date:	
Communications concerning this Qu	uote shall be add	ressed to:	
Supplier Company Name:			
Supplier's Representative:			<u>-</u>
Supplier's Address:			
			
Supplier's Telephone No:			
Supplier's E-mail Address:			
Supplier's Fax Number:			
(Please note that the information b	pelow is used for in	ternal purposes only and wil	I not be disclosed.)
Age of your company:	Gross An	nual Receipts:	
# Employees:	DUNS #:		

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In submitting this quote, it is understood and agreed by Supplier that THE AUTHORITY reserves the right to reject any and all quotes, or part of any quote, and it is agreed that the quote may not be withdrawn for a period of [30] days subsequent to the receipt of quotes, without the written consent of the Authority.

SUPPLIER AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _	
Printed Name & Title:	
SUBMITTED ON:	, 2020



PAN AM RAILWAYS

1700 Iron Horse Park No. Billerica, MA 01862

Specifications for: Tie Plates

- 1. Tie plates shall be new, domestically produced and conform to AREMA specifications for steel tie plates.
- 2. Tie plates shall conform to AREMA plans for 13" or greater length tie plates for use with 5-1/2" base of rail width.
- 3. Tie plates shall conform to AREMA specifications for low-carbon steel tie plates.
- 4. All spike holes shall be square.
- 5. Six hole punching is preferred but eight hole punching is acceptable.
- 6. All tie plates shall be consistent in size and design unless approved by Pan Am Railways.

Federal Grant Compliance Requirements

Contractor/Supplier (Contractor) further agrees with the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (referred to in this Addendum A as the "Authority") to comply with the following, to the extent applicable to Contractor. The parties agree that this document is not intended to enlarge or increase the applicability of any federal requirements to Contractor/Vendor beyond those requirements that arise under federal law, regulation or the United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration Master Agreement for Federal Transit Administration Agreements, as the same is amended from time to time by FTA, presently published at:

https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/docs/funding/grantee-resources/sample-fta-agreements/114766/fta-master-agreement-fy2018.pdf

(the "Master Agreement") by virtue of Contractor/Vendor's participation in the Project.

No Government Obligation to Third Parties. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Recipient, Contractor or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract. The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

Program Fraud. Contractor recognizes that the requirements of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 *et seq.*, and U.S. DOT Regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions hereunder. Accordingly, by signing the Agreement, Contractor certifies and affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, or may make pertaining to the activities covered hereunder. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes false, fictitious or fraudulent claims, statements, submissions, assurances, or certifications, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, on Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

Contractor recognizes that if Contractor makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, certification, assurance, or representation to the Federal Government of includes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in any agreement with the Federal Government in connection with a project authorized under 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 or any other federal law, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose on Contractor the penalties of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(1), 18 U.S.C.§ 1001 or other applicable federal law to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate. The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

Access to Records and Reports.

Record Retention. The Contractor will retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, sub-agreements, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third-party agreements of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.

Retention Period. The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of at not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case records shall be maintained until the disposition of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.

Access to Records. The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information related to performance of this contract as reasonably may be required.

Access to the Sites of Performance. The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this contract as reasonably may be required.

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

<u>Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity.</u> - The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

Under this Agreement, the Contractor shall at all times comply with the following requirements and shall include these requirements in each subcontract entered into as part thereof.

<u>Nondiscrimination</u>. In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment

Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity in Federal Employment," September 24, 1965, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, as amended by any later Executive Order that amends or supersedes it, referenced in 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, or sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity). Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

Age. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*, U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

<u>Disabilities.</u> In accordance with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 *et seq.*, the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 *et seq.*, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against individuals on the basis of disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

Equal Employment Opportunity (1) Federal Requirements and Guidance. The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will, prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, and: (a) Comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., (b) Facilitate compliance with Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, (c) Comply with Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, and (d) Comply with FTA Circular 4704.1other applicable EEO laws and regulations, as provided in Federal guidance, including laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, (2) General. The Recipient agrees to: (a) Ensure that applicants for employment are employed and employees are treated during employment without discrimination on the basis of their: 1 Race, 2 Color, 3 Religion, 4 Sex, 5 Disability, 6 Age, or 7 National origin, (b) Take affirmative action that includes, but is not limited to: 1 Recruitment advertising, 2 Recruitment, 3 Employment, 4 Rates of pay, 5 Other forms of compensation, 6 Selection for training, including apprenticeship, 7 Upgrading, 8 Transfers, 9 Demotions, 10 Layoffs, and 11

Terminations, but (b) Indian Tribe. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, exempts Indian Tribes under the definition of "Employer". (3) Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for Construction Activities. In addition to the foregoing, when undertaking "construction" as recognized by the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL), the Recipient agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each Third Party Participant, with: (a) U.S. DOL regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and (b) Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise To the extent authorized by applicable Federal law, the Recipient agrees to facilitate, and assures that each Third Party Participant will facilitate, participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, also referred to as "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises" (DBEs), in the Project as follows: 1) Requirements. The Recipient agrees to comply with: (a) Section 1101(b) of Map21, 23 U.S.C. § 101 note, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs," 49 C.F.R. part 26, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, (2) Assurance. As required by 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(a), (b) DBE Program Requirements. Recipients receiving planning, capital and/or operating assistance that will award prime third party contracts exceeding \$250,000 in a Federal fiscal year must: 1 Have a DBE program meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, 2 Implement a DBE program approved by FTA, and 3 Establish an annual DBE participation goal, (c) Special Requirements for a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer. The Recipient understands and agrees that each transit vehicle manufacturer, as a condition of being comply with: (a) Section 1101(b) of Map21, 23 U.S.C. § 101 note, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs," 49 C.F.R. part 26, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, (2) Assurance. As required by 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(a), (b) DBE Program Requirements. Recipients receiving planning, capital and/or operating assistance that will award prime third party contracts exceeding \$250,000 in a Federal fiscal year must: 1 Have a DBE program meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, 2 Implement a DBE program approved by FTA, and 3 Establish an annual DBE participation goal, (c) Special Requirements for a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer. The Recipient understands and agrees that each transit vehicle manufacturer, as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on FTA assisted transit vehicle procurements, must certify that it has complied with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, (d) the Recipient provides assurance that: The Recipient shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT assisted contract or in the administration of its DBE program or the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26. The Recipient shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 C.F.R. part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts. The Recipient's DBE program, as required by 49 C.F.R. part 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the Recipient of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanctions as provided for

under 49 C.F.R. part 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., (2) Exception for the Tribal Transit Program. FTA exempts Indian tribes from the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise regulations at 49 C.F.R. part 26 under Map21 and previous legislation.

<u>Drug or Alcohol Abuse</u> Confidentiality and Other Civil Rights Protections - The Recipient agrees to comply with the confidentiality and civil rights protections of: (1) The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, 21 U.S.C. § 1101 et seq., (2) The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4541 et seq., and (3) The Public Health Service Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 290dd – 290dd2

Access to Services for People with Limited English Proficiency Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to promote accessibility of public transportation services to people whose understanding of English is limited by following: 1) Executive Order No. 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," August 11, 2000, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d1 note, and (2) U.S. DOT Notice, "DOT Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' Responsibilities to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Persons," 70 Fed. Reg. 74087, December 14, 2005

Other Nondiscrimination Laws Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to: (1) Comply with other applicable Federal nondiscrimination laws and regulations, and (2) Follow Federal guidance prohibiting discrimination.

<u>Remedies</u> Remedies for failure to comply with applicable Federal Civil Rights laws and Federal regulations may be enforced as provided in those Federal laws or Federal regulations.

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

<u>Energy Conservation.</u> To the extent applicable to the services to be performed by Contractor hereunder, Contractor shall comply with the mandatory energy efficiency standards and policies within the applicable state energy conservation plans issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

<u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise.</u> The Authority has adopted a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Women's Business Enterprise Policy in accordance with Federal Regulations issued by U.S. DOT (49 Part 26). This Policy provides that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBEs") and Women's Business Enterprises ("WBEs") will be afforded every practicable opportunity to participate in the performance of

contracts related to the Authority's construction, procurement and professional service activities. The Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carryout these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

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

<u>Prompt Payment.</u> The Contractor is required to pay its Subcontractor/Vendors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the Contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the Authority. In addition, is required to return any retainage payments to those Subcontractor/Vendors within 30 days after the Subcontractor/Vendor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles.

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

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

Termination Provisions.

Termination for Convenience.

The Authority shall have the right to terminate the Agreement for convenience, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. §200.339. Any termination for convenience by the Authority shall not excuse the Authority's obligations under the Agreement arising prior to the effective date of such termination.

<u>Termination for Default (Breach or Cause).</u>

If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the Authority may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be affected by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will be paid only the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

If it is later determined by the Authority that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, the Authority, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

Opportunity to Cure.

The Authority, in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor an appropriately short period of time in which to cure the defect. In such case, the Notice of Termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions.

If Contractor fails to remedy to NNEPRA's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within 10 days after receipt by Contractor of written notice from the Authority setting forth the nature of said breach or default, the Authority shall have the right to terminate the contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude the Authority from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

Waiver of Remedies for any Breach.

In the event that the Authority elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this contract, such waiver by the Authority shall not limit the Authority's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other covenant, term, or condition of this contract.

Contractor recognizes and agrees that the FTA may suspend or terminate the Project for various reasons set forth in the Master Agreement at Section 11, that such termination may act to cancel or invalidate certain obligations incurred by FTA prior to the termination date, and that such Termination may act to relieve the Authority of such obligations as well.

Termination for Default

If contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if the contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The

recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.

<u>Suspension and Debarment</u>. The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally

required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount. As such, the Contractor shall verify that its principals, affiliates, and subcontractors are eligible to participate in this federally funded contract and are not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:

- a) Debarred from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- b) Suspended from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- c) Proposed for debarment from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- d) Declared ineligible to participate in any federally assisted Award;
- e) Voluntarily excluded from participation in any federally assisted Award; or
- f) Disqualified from participation in ay federally assisted Award.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Authority. If it is later determined by the Authority that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the Authority, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200, while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

Fly America Requirements Contractor shall comply with 49 USC 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with General Services Administration regulations 41 CFR 30110, stating that recipients and subrecipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use US Flag air carriers for US Government financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a US flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. Contractor shall include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

<u>Cargo Preference</u> Contractor shall: a. use privately owned US Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50% of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to the underlying contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for US flag commercial vessels; b. furnish within 20 working days following the loading date of shipments originating within

the US or within 30 working days following the loading date of shipments originating outside the US, a legible copy of a rated, "onboard" commercial bill of lading in English for each shipment of cargo described herein to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the recipient (through contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill of lading.) c. include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract involves the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.