

**Attachment C**

**New York State Energy Research and Development Authority  
("NYSERDA")**

**AGREEMENT**

1. Agreement Number:
2. Contractor:
3. Project Director:
4. Effective Date:
5. Total Amount of Award:
6. Project Period:
7. Commitment Terms and Conditions

This Agreement consists of this form plus the following documents:

- Exhibit A, Statement of Work;
- Exhibit B, General Contract Provisions, Terms and Conditions;
- Exhibit C, Standard Terms and Conditions;
- Exhibit D, Prompt Payment Policy Statement; and
- Exhibit E, Rate Schedule.

8. ACCEPTANCE. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE UNLESS EXECUTED BELOW BY NYSERDA.

**[CONTRACTOR]**

**NEW YORK STATE ENERGY RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cheryl M. Glanton  
Director of Contract Management

Title \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF            )  
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COUNTY OF        )

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individuals(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the document.

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Notary Public

## EXHIBIT A

### STATEMENT OF WORK

#### 1. GENERAL

Under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Consultant shall provide FlexTech services to eligible NYSERDA customers or NYSERDA at the request and direction of NYSERDA.

Each service conducted under this Agreement will be defined by a written Task Work Order as defined in Section 3 of this Exhibit A.

#### 2. RANGE OF SERVICES

The services provided by the Consultant under this Agreement will fall into the following general categories:

- a. General Feasibility Studies and Technical Support
- b. Carbon Mitigation Studies (includes carbon master planning and carbon lifecycle assessments)
- c. Peak-Load Reduction Strategies
- d. Industrial Efficiency Analysis
- e. Data Center Efficiency Analysis
- f. Combined Heat and Power, Distributed Generation, and Renewable Generation
- g. Retro-Commissioning and continuous commissioning Services
- h. Agricultural Technical Assistance
- i. Alternate-Fuel Technology
- j. Energy Procurement (includes hourly pricing, rate analysis, and aggregation)
- k. Executive Order No. 111 Requirements
- l. Green Buildings
- m. Water and Wastewater Services
- n. Energy Advisor Services and Implementation Assistance
- o. Other Energy Related Assistance as needed for NYSERDA and its customers (i.e. Waste Minimization, Sustainable Materials, and training and education, etc)

Consultants may be needed on a case-by-case basis to perform services for multifamily facilities and residences. In general, multifamily facilities and residences are handled by NYSERDA's Residential Energy Services (RES). Multifamily residences are defined as properties that provide residential housing and contain five or more units.

More specifically, within these categories, FlexTech services to be provided by the Consultant may include any one or more of the following:

- Preliminary surveys or detailed on-site engineering studies of specific energy efficiency

and carbon reduction measures/techniques

- Development of energy or climate action master plans
- Analysis of load shaping and peak-reducing energy management methods
- Energy or carbon-related design assistance
- Computer-assisted building or system modeling
- Benchmarking
- Monitoring and metering energy-consuming/carbon-emitting equipment and systems
- Technical guidance in improving environmental performance by reducing energy consumption and carbon emissions
- Long term energy management support
- Providing guidance to comply with Executive Order No. 111 requirements
- Developing guidelines or tools for specification, design criteria, or to support long term energy efficiency
- Developing training materials, conducting seminars, promoting or marketing technical subjects of NYSERDA services
- Other technical support and related assistance as needed for NYSERDA and its customers

The following is a more detailed description of each of the general categories and services to be provided by the Consultant. Services provided under any individual Task Work Order may include work under multiple categories.

### **General Feasibility Studies and Technical Support**

This represents a majority of the services provided through FlexTech. Feasibility studies aim to assist customers in making informed energy-related decisions at their facilities. This service may include, but is not limited to, equipment replacement or upgrade recommendations, comprehensive energy analysis on campus-type settings, energy-related design assistance through computer-assisted building modeling, or engineering support and other analysis requested by the customer and approved by NYSERDA. A feasibility study may require some level of design concepts to determine the feasibility of potential improvements. Although FlexTech does not provide design services, a feasibility study may require some level of design concepts to determine the feasibility of potential improvements.

Consultants may be asked to provide technical analysis and technical services for other NYSERDA efforts, which may include supplementing NYSERDA's technical staff to provide technical support on programs. This support may include, but is not limited to: program design assistance and research, analysis of performance standards for equipment or appliances; technical review and implementation assistance, assessing energy code, energy code compliance, and above-code opportunities; and other non-customer-specific analysis.

Additional services may include assisting in the development of new programs, technical manuals, papers, and seminars. NYSERDA may use the data and knowledge gained

from conducting surveys and studies to develop technical material and present seminars to other energy consumers throughout the State and country.

### **Carbon Mitigation Studies**

Carbon mitigation studies assist customers in making informed carbon management decisions at their facilities. This service may include, but is not limited to: performing carbon footprint analyses and developing carbon action plans to address carbon-intensive areas, water efficiency and water conservation studies, developing procurement strategies for acquiring carbon-neutral resources, equipment replacement or upgrade recommendations resulting in carbon mitigation, comprehensive carbon master planning for campus-type settings, carbon lifecycle “cradle-to-grave” assessments for processes, supply chains, company operations, specific products/product lines, etc. and various other analyses requested by the customer and approved by NYSERDA.

### **Peak-Load Reduction Strategies**

Consultants may be asked to provide detail on peak demand impacts of study recommendations. Electric grid reliability and availability of demand response or demand reduction initiatives in the Con Edison electric service territory during summer peak periods is especially critical and particular focus should be paid to calculating this impact in addition to the customer billing impact. The historic peak load in Con Edison’s electric service territory occurs between May 1 and October 31, during the hours of 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., with the exception of some night peaking load pockets. Consultants will need to provide analysis showing how the measure coincides with or impacts the system electric summer peak. Both short term load management and long term permanent load reduction opportunities may be investigated.

This service may also provide review of real-time metering information and the benefits to facilities interested in participating in load curtailment programs, hourly pricing, or in tracking daily load profiles to monitor the effects of energy consuming systems. This service may help customers identify their ability to, and the financial benefit from, participating in such programs and the associated energy savings from installing real-time metering or web-enabled metering when it is used to curtail or shift loads at their facility. Consultants will be asked to identify and analyze opportunities for customers to participate in load curtailment activities of New York Independent Systems Operator (NYISO) such as Installed Capacity Special Case Resources (ICAP/SCR), or a Time of Use (TOU) or Real Time Pricing (RTP) program.

### **Industrial Efficiency Analysis**

Industrial facilities and manufacturing processes require customized approaches to energy efficiency. The facilities typically support mission critical workloads and energy-intensive operations (i.e. widget production, purification, refining, etc.) that have unique characteristics and functions. NYSERDA has an increased focus on industrial process improvements that increase the efficiency of energy or material use and other projects that positively impact productivity pertaining to energy use. Projects may also focus on increasing throughput, process efficiency, improving environmental performance, or minimizing waste. Site and sector specific approaches will be used to ensure that the best

energy efficiency opportunities are identified and addressed. This analysis will predominantly focus on defining and reducing energy use per unit of production.

### **Data Center Efficiency Analysis**

Similar to the industrial sector, data center facilities and operations are also mission critical and require specialized knowledge on sector-specific technologies and strategies to best meet their energy efficiency needs. IT equipment and associated facility support systems have complex interactions. Data center energy analysis assistance will assess energy efficiency and/or carbon reduction potential of data center support systems and IT equipment. Consultants may be asked to provide assistance in evaluating the following:

- Data Center Supports System Efficiency (including but not limited to cooling improvements, air flow and temperature set point management, UPS systems, etc.), and
- IT Efficiency (including but not limited to server replacement, server/desktop virtualization, storage consolidation, system “right-sizing,” redundancy optimization, etc.). Site and sector specific approaches will be used to ensure that the best energy efficiency opportunities are identified and addressed. This approach will maximize process and energy reliability, productivity and energy savings. Analysis will predominantly focus on defining and reducing energy cost per unit of productive data throughput.

### **Combined Heat and Power, Distributed Generation, Renewable Generation**

Consultants may be asked to provide assistance in evaluating the technical and economic feasibility of installing on-site power generation, either distributed generation (DG) alone or distributed generation with heat recovery otherwise referred to as combined heat and power (CHP). All generation studies will require specific information in the final reports as detailed in the FlexTech solicitation, currently Program Opportunity Notice (PON 1746). Generation studies will require detailed review of: energy profiles of thermal and electrical loads, prospective applicable technologies, overall system efficiency, pressure and availability of the fuel source, permitting, sensitivity analysis, tariff impacts, maintenance requirements, interconnection issues, and overall system reliability.

### **Energy Procurement**

Energy planning and purchasing support in response to the changing energy marketplace are included as an offering in this Program. These analyses help customers analyze their energy rates, load shapes, energy consumption, and energy service aggregation opportunities. In addition, it can help customers prepare RFPs, review proposals, assist them to better negotiate with power marketers and other service providers, obtain advice on load aggregation and energy efficiency projects from energy service companies (ESCOs) with respect to potential performance contracting opportunities; and aggregating customers to purchase energy. Experience and knowledge with hourly pricing structures within specific electric territories should be highlighted.

### **Retro- and continuous commissioning Services**

Retro-commissioning is the systematic process of verifying that all building systems perform interactively according to design intent, that they meet the operational needs of

the owners and occupants, and that staff responsible for operation and maintenance are sufficiently trained. The goal of this service is to improve system performance, operation and maintenance, energy efficiency, occupant comfort, and indoor environmental quality. Retro-commissioning services will need to focus specifically on energy efficiency. Commissioning of new equipment and new facilities may be required on a case-by-case basis. In general, Consultants perform retro-commissioning on facilities and equipment that have been in use for at least one year.

Continuous commissioning is an ongoing process, typically involving extensive monitoring via a building management system, to resolve operating problems, improve comfort, optimize energy use, and identify retrofits in real time to optimize HVAC system operation for the existing building conditions. Consultants may be requested to provide continuous commissioning services over an extended period of time to customers. This service may also contain a training component where a portion of the Consultant's time would be dedicated to educating the customer's facilities staff on how to improve overall system control and operations for the building, as it is currently utilized, and on meeting existing facility needs. For this area of expertise, in particular, proposers should not be associated with the sale or promotion of proprietary software.

Please note: Whole building or new construction commissioning is not eligible for funding under FlexTech. Commissioning of new equipment or systems within an existing building is eligible, but must focus on the energy aspects of proper operating parameters. Design and commissioning of new facilities are handled by NYSERDA's New Construction Program.

### **Agricultural Technical Assistance**

This service provides technical services throughout the agricultural community. Consultants shall provide expertise in a manner that shows they are knowledgeable about this sector, and aware of the specific opportunities for efficiency improvements that exist and which improvements have been generally accepted.

### **Alternate Fuel Technology**

Alternate fuel technology covers a broad range of expertise from vehicle fleet management and economics, to renewable fuels such as ethanol or biodiesel, to technical issues such as compressed natural gas refueling stations. NYSERDA seeks experts and firms to help with problem-solving, based on their specialized hands-on experience, with specific alternative fuel or vehicle applications. Consultants may be called upon to answer challenging problems where solutions may come from applications in multiple disciplines. Some examples include: fleet management systems and purchasing decisions; re-fueling station design and siting issues; interaction with alternate-fuel providers and fire safety code officials; fueling station performance and maintenance requirements; implementation of Intelligent Transportation Systems and transportation demand management programs; and user/operator training. Expertise is also sought to help evaluate local market and economic conditions pertinent to projects, conducting technical assessments of infrastructure and equipment needs, and determining project feasibility.

Consultants may be asked to help the end user develop an action plan with specific implementation steps and procedures identified.

### **Executive Order No. 111 Requirements**

FlexTech provides assistance to customers who are required or who desire to comply with Executive Order No. 111 requirements. Services may include general technical support for commissioning green buildings, assistance with overall implementation plans, development of design or specification guidelines, review of procurement standards, limited on-site training, utilization of ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager, recommendation of ENERGY STAR® products, examining current building stock and developing operation and maintenance guidelines for continuous or re-commissioning.

### **Green Buildings**

Green buildings minimize the environmental impacts of buildings throughout their life cycle. Services provided by Consultants may include computer modeling and energy analysis to optimize building energy performance, as well as materials analysis to improve indoor environmental quality and occupant health. Services may also include aiding customers interested in complying with U.S. Green Building Council LEED® certification or the New York State Green Building Tax Credit. In addition to energy modeling and materials analysis, these services may include design and specification guideline development. Firms should demonstrate their experience acquiring LEED certification for existing facilities and identify LEED® accredited professionals on staff.

### **Water and Wastewater Services**

FlexTech provides assistance to municipal water and wastewater treatment plants to identify ways for them to use energy more efficiently. These studies may include providing the municipality with the information it needs to grow or change in the most energy efficient way possible. This could apply to facilities that are nearing capacity, ones that must meet new regulations, or any facility simply considering retrofitting the current design or wanting to become more energy efficient. Services may include equipment replacement studies, energy related process improvement studies, or energy operation studies such as sub-metering and electrical peak shifting.

### **Energy Advisor Services and Implementation Assistance**

FlexTech allows commercial and industrial customers to engage a qualified Consultant for long-term energy and carbon related services. The Consultant will act as a member of the customer team to provide long-term support on energy and carbon management issues, actively identify opportunities, and perform analyses with the customer's and NYSERDA's approval.

Services may include, but are not limited to, screening level energy evaluation of buildings, providing detailed technical support for decisions regarding the purchase of energy-efficient equipment, preparing bid documents for the purchase and installation of equipment, preparation of requests for proposals (RFPs), review of energy service company (ESCO) proposals, development of scopes-of-work for comprehensive energy audits conducted by a selected ESCO, review of comprehensive energy audits, review of

proposed energy performance contracts, design assistance, independent verification that equipment and installations are as specified, review of annual savings reports from ESCOs during the guarantee period, assisting with planning and implementation of strategies to reduce energy and environmental footprints, and guidance for regulatory or environmental permitting.

These studies may also be used to develop long-term capital budget strategies for the systematic replacement or upgrade of energy consuming and capital intensive systems. These studies may include evaluation of the current condition of the existing equipment, its expected useful life, and recommendations of energy-efficient replacement alternatives as a basis for a long-term capital budget strategy.

### **3. TASK WORK ORDERS**

Each project conducted under this Agreement will be defined by a project specific written Task Work Order. The following will be followed for all Task Work Orders:

- a. NYSERDA identifies and approves the applicability of each project and service. The Consultants are expected to assist in identifying projects and in marketing FlexTech Services, but the final determination of applicability is at NYSERDA's discretion.
- b. NYSERDA's Project Manager may issue a request to the Consultant to submit a proposed Task Work Order Plan, which will consist of an application detailed in the FlexTech solicitation, currently PON 1746, a statement of work to be performed and a firm not-to-exceed budget, to accomplish a definitive effort within the scope of this Statement of Work. NYSERDA's request will include the date by which the Consultant shall submit the proposed Task Work Order Plan to NYSERDA. This request often occurs during a site visit when NYSERDA, the Consultant, and the customer are reviewing the customer facility to identify opportunities.
- c. When a proposed project or service is for a NYSERDA customer, NYSERDA and the Consultant shall confer as to the appropriateness of the customer's request and possible alternatives.
- d. In response to NYSERDA's request, the Consultant shall prepare a written proposed Task Work Order Plan, which shall describe and define, as appropriate, the following:
  1. The project's purpose and goals.
  2. The approach that will be taken which shall include: any data collection methods; the method for calculating energy savings (i.e. computer modeling, spreadsheet, or manual calculations); and the method to be used for estimating implementation costs.
  3. Names of all parties involved, including the use of any sub-consultants.
  4. Background information on the customer and the customer's energy systems.

This background information will be used to justify the need for the study.

5. Recent energy consumption data, including annual energy expense by source.
  6. Defined deliverables including all assumptions, energy calculations, model inputs and outputs, development of a case study and completion of a Project Summary Sheet.
  7. The project time frame. The time frame should include approximate timelines for each task.
  8. The names or titles of individuals to work on the project.
  9. The total not-to-exceed cost of the project or study, including a breakout by task and by title, hourly rate, hours, and non-labor costs. A cost estimate for each element of the work breakdown structure should be provided, along with an estimate of the overall cost of the task. All project Task Work Order Plans shall be negotiated and written on a time and materials basis with a not-to-exceed cost cap/budget. All rates shall be consistent with those in Exhibit E of this Agreement. All cost estimates should be reasonable cost estimates and should not include a contingency cost category.
- e. NYSERDA shall review the Consultant's proposed Task Work Order Plan and may request the Contractor to revise and resubmit the Task Work Order Plan to satisfy NYSERDA's program requirements, if necessary.
- f. Once approved, NYSERDA shall issue the Task Work Order and FlexTech terms and conditions, to the customer for review and approval.
- g. Upon written approval of the Task Work Order by the customer, (when NYSERDA receives customer-signed FlexTech terms and conditions), NYSERDA shall issue a Notice to Proceed incorporating the terms of the Task Work Order Plan, or if not acceptable, NYSERDA will request that the Consultant make the required changes and resubmit the Task Work Order Plan.
- h. If NYSERDA determines that the parties will be unable to reach agreement on the terms of the Task Work Order, NYSERDA may rescind its Task Work Order Plan request at its sole discretion.
- i. When NYSERDA finds the terms of the proposed Task Work Order Plan acceptable and has issued a Notice to Proceed on a Task Work Order, the Consultant shall carry out the work pursuant to the requirements of such Task Work Order. The work set forth in the Task Work Order shall, upon its issuance by NYSERDA, constitute Work to be performed by the Consultant under this Agreement.
- j. Task Work Orders may be issued at any time during the Project Period.
- k. The Consultant may begin study execution upon NYSERDA's receipt of the Task Work Order at their own risk. Any work conducted prior to the Task Work Order

submission will not be reimbursed. The Consultant may submit an invoice for these costs when the corresponding Notice to Proceed has been issued by NYSERDA. Should a Notice to Proceed not be issued for a certain Task Work Order, NYSERDA is under no obligation to reimburse the Consultant for any costs or expenses associated with that Task Work Order.

l. If NYSERDA finds that a Task Work Order must be modified, NYSERDA may issue a Task Work Order modification request. The Consultant shall then prepare a modification to the Task Work Order Plan. If the Consultant's modified Task Work Order Plan is acceptable to NYSERDA and the customer, then NYSERDA may issue a Task Work Order Modification incorporating the terms of the Consultant's modified Task Work Order Plan.

m. NYSERDA must be kept informed of project milestones, project delays or other occurrences in order to participate in any decision or to initiate any necessary action.

n. NYSERDA will review and approve a draft report of the project to ensure that all items included in the Task Work Order are satisfactorily completed and within the prescribed time frame. NYSERDA may request the Consultant to revise and resubmit the report to satisfy NYSERDA's program requirements. The NYSERDA customer may also request the Consultant to revise and resubmit the report to satisfy the Task Work Order requirements.

o. NYSERDA will review and approve the finalized project to ensure that all items included in the Task Work Order are satisfactorily completed and within the prescribed time frame. The Consultant shall not be accountable for delays caused by NYSERDA, a NYSERDA customer, or other potential project co-funders such as a utility.

p. The Consultant shall not be responsible for any follow-up activities unless specified in the Task Work Order. Should additional follow-up be required, a separate Task Work Order Plan may be developed to cover these activities.

q. No agreement between the Consultant, NYSERDA, and a NYSERDA customer will obligate NYSERDA to provide any services other than the services set forth in a Task Work Order. Furthermore, the provision of FlexTech services shall in no way endorse or prevent any subsequent work that may be performed by the Consultant.

#### **4. CONSULTANT RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Consultant shall:

- a. Promote services to various customer groups and organizations.
- b. Identify potential FlexTech participants, verify program eligibility, and make

referrals to NYSERDA.

- c. Conduct a site visit and, if appropriate, invite a NYSERDA FlexTech Project Manager.
- d. Assist the customer in completing the FlexTech application, as requested.
- e. Prepare each project Task Work Order Plan for review and approval by NYSERDA, according to the level of service being provided. NYSERDA must review the Task Work Order Plan prior to the customer reviewing it.
- f. Negotiate the scope and cost of the Task Work Order Plan with NYSERDA, the customer, and any other co-funding entity.
- g. Upon agreement by all parties to the Task Work Order Plan and issuance of a Notice to Proceed by NYSERDA, provide the required assistance within the required time frame.
- h. Ensure technical accuracy of all projects and use generally accepted current engineering practices.
- i. Keep NYSERDA informed of each projects' status and confer with NYSERDA on substantive issues.
- j. Provide NYSERDA with building or facility data for each project, which shall include at least one year's cost and consumption of each energy source, when applicable.
- k. Make changes requested by NYSERDA.
- l. Provide project status and final reports, if required by the Task Work Order. If a final report is required, the Consultant must submit the final report to NYSERDA for review and make revisions as necessary to fulfill NYSERDA's FlexTech program requirements.
- m. Provide, when requested, on-site follow-up assistance to discuss recommendations, answer questions, and facilitate implementation.
- n. Make timely, accurate, and well documented requests for payment. NYSERDA, at its discretion, may approve progress payments during the course of a Consultant completing a Task Work Order Plan. Progress payments may be made on a case-by-case basis at the sole discretion of the NYSERDA Project Manager.
- o. Assist NYSERDA with the collection of data for purposes of program evaluation and promotion.

- p. Negotiate an agreement with the Customer for the direct payment of the Customer's share of the fees for the work to be performed pursuant to the Task Work Order Plan, if applicable. NYSERDA shall not be responsible for any portion of the customer's share and the agreement between the Consultant and the customer shall not obligate NYSERDA for payment.
- q. Provide information to customers on NYSERDA programs that can aid in implementation.
- r. Provide a draft case study of the project.
- s. Comply with the performance criteria outlined in Section 7.
- t. Refer to the FlexTech solicitation, currently PON 1746, for FlexTech program updates.

## **5. NYSERDA RESPONSIBILITIES**

NYSERDA will:

- a. Promote services to various customer groups and organizations.
- b. Identify potential FlexTech participants and make service referrals to Consultants.
- c. Assist Consultants in developing Task Work Order Plans with customers.
- d. Provide Consultants with administrative procedures.
- e. Secure signed FlexTech terms and conditions from NYSERDA customers, as necessary. Each FlexTech project will contain a Task Work Order, FlexTech terms and conditions, identification of all parties involved in the project, and procedures for third party cost sharing, if applicable.
- f. Monitor the progress of each Consultant through ongoing telephone contact, review of status reports and field monitoring activities, etc., for the purpose of meeting customer needs, identifying problems and initiating corrective action.
- g. Provide technical review of project reports and deliverables to ensure that the deliverables conform to the Task Work Order and Notice to Proceed that governed the analysis.
- h. Ensure adherence to NYSERDA's established policies and procedures.
- i. Provide completed reports to the customer.

- j. Promote the availability of FlexTech services to customers.
- k. Maintain databases of customers, technologies, energy and dollar savings resulting from the services, reports, case studies, fact sheets, and newsletter articles.
- l. Disseminate technical and financial-related energy-efficiency information to Consultants.
- m. Process properly documented payment reimbursement requests.
- n. Conduct FlexTech program evaluations.
- o. Provide FlexTech program updates via the FlexTech solicitation, currently PON 1746.

## **6. DELIVERABLES**

The Consultant shall deliver:

- a. A specific Task Work Order Plan for each project to be conducted.
- b. Project status reports as defined in the Task Work Order. The Task Work Order may require the Consultant to provide NYSERDA with brief periodic progress reports describing the work performed during a specified reporting period. Such reports shall describe any difficulties encountered during the specified reporting period and shall include a statement of the project directives setting forth the costs of the work during the specified reporting period.
- c. Satisfactorily completed projects as defined by an approved Task Work Order Plan as incorporated into a Task Work Order issued by NYSERDA.
- d. If required by the Task Work Order, the Consultant shall prepare a detailed final report covering all the work performed (the Final Report). The Final Report shall comply with the requirements set forth in the Task Work Order. Appropriate layout drawings, graphs, tabulations of data, calculations and assumptions, and references shall be included. One copy of a draft Final Report shall be submitted to the NYSERDA project manager not later than the date specified in the Task Work Order. NYSERDA will provide its comments therein to the Consultant within 30 working days after the receipt of such draft. NYSERDA reserves the right to extend the comment time frame, and will notify the Consultant of such extension. The Consultant shall prepare the Final Report in the final form satisfactory to NYSERDA reflecting therein NYSERDA's comments and shall submit two compact disks (CDs) of the final report with the FlexTech Final Report Template to the NYSERDA project manager. NYSERDA may require that the Final Report be

prepared in conformance with the FlexTech Final Report Requirements, as outlined in the FlexTech solicitation, currently PON 1746. The Final Report shall also include a completed Project Summary Sheet and case study (please see PON 1746).

e. NYSERDA may, at its discretion, use a NYSERDA approved technical reviewer to assist in the technical review of a detailed final report. Specifically, studies involving combined heat and power, distributed generation, and renewable generation may be subject to review by a NYSERDA technical reviewer.

## **7. Performance Criteria**

Consultants will be responsible for creating and maintaining their workload. NYSERDA does not guarantee any amount of work to be provided to any Consultant. All Consultants will be assessed at the conclusion of each Agreement term and NYSERDA will determine whether to exercise its option to renew the Agreement for an additional term. Consultants who do not sustain the minimum performance criteria, as described below, will not be presented with an option to renew.

In order to be considered for contract renewal, one of the criteria below must be met:

- a) Two approved and encumbered Task Work Order Plans.
- b) One approved and encumbered Task Work Order Plan to evaluate an annual load greater than or equal to 5,000,000 kWh.

Approved Task Work Order Plans, as per Section 3: (f) and (g), are encumbered after NYSERDA's Treasurer has issued a purchase order for the project and a notice to proceed has been issued to the Consultant. Approved Task Work Order Plans that are routing internally within NYSERDA during the contract renewal evaluation period shall be included in the assessment of whether the Consultant has met the minimum performance criteria.

Should the contract be renewed, new or additional criteria, such as a minimum number of NYSERDA approved final reports, may be added to this section for subsequent contract terms.

## EXHIBIT B

### GENERAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### Article I

#### Definitions

Section 1.01. Definitions. Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined below shall have, for all purposes of this Agreement, the respective meanings set forth below, the following definitions to be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of any of the terms defined.

(a) General Definitions:

Agreement: This Agreement shall consist of Page One and Exhibits A, B, C, D, and E hereto, all of which are made a part hereof as if set forth here in full.

Budget: Collectively, the budgets set forth in individual Task Work Orders consistent with the rates set forth in Exhibit E hereto.

Cash-based Expenses: Those obligations of Contractor that shall be settled in cash.

Contract Administrator: NYSERDA's Director of Contract Management, Cheryl L. Earley, or such other person who may be designated, in writing, by NYSERDA.

Contract Information: Recorded information regardless of form or characteristic first produced in the performance of this Agreement, that is specified to be compiled under this Agreement, specified to be delivered under this Agreement, or that is actually delivered in connection with this Agreement, and including the Final Report delivered by Contractor pursuant to Exhibit A, Statement of Work, if applicable.

Contractor: The Contractor identified in Item 2 on the first page of this Agreement.

Customer: An individual, a business, an organization or other entity who is a customer of NYSERDA.

Effective Date: The effective date of this Agreement shall be the date appearing in Item 4 on the first page of this Agreement.

Final Report: The Final Reports as described in Section 6 of Exhibit A.

Notice to Proceed: The Notice described in Section 3(i) of Exhibit A.

Proprietary Information: Recorded information regardless of form or characteristic, produced or developed outside the scope of this Agreement and without NYSERDA financial support, provided that such information is not generally known or available from other sources without obligation concerning their confidentiality; has not been made available by the owner to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality; and is not already available to NYSERDA without obligation concerning its confidentiality. Under no circumstances shall any information included in the Final Report delivered by Contractor pursuant to Exhibit A, Statement of Work, if applicable, be considered Proprietary Information.

Person: An individual, a corporation, an association or partnership, an organization, a business or a government or political subdivision thereof, or any governmental agency or instrumentality.

Progress Reports: The Progress Reports as required by the individual Task Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement.

Responsible: Responsible or Responsibility means the financial ability, legal capacity, integrity and past performance of Contractor and as such terms have been interpreted relative to public procurements. See NYS Finance Law § 163(1)(c).

Statement of Work: The Statement of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A and the individual Task Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement.

Subcontract: An agreement for the performance of Work by a Subcontractor, including any purchase order for the procurement of permanent equipment or expendable supplies in connection with the Work.

Subcontractor: A person who performs Work directly or indirectly for or on behalf of the Contractor (and whether or not in privity of contract with the Contractor) but not including any employees of the Contractor or the Subcontractors.

Task Work Order: A Task Work Order issued by NYSERDA pursuant to Exhibit A of this Agreement, specifically a Task Work Order Plan approved by NYSERDA.

Task Work Order Plan: The statement of work and budget for a project proposed by the Contractor.

Work: The Work described in the Exhibit A and in individual Task Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement (including the procurement of equipment and supplies in connection therewith) and the performance of all other requirements imposed upon the Contractor under this Agreement.

## Article II

### Performance of Work, Project Personnel

Section 2.01. Manner of Performance. Subject to the provisions of Article XII hereof, the Contractor shall perform all work (the "Work") necessary to carry out Task Work Orders issued by NYSERDA for the implementation of the Statement of Work, attached hereto as Exhibit A (including the furnishing of personnel and the procurement of equipment, supplies and other items necessary in connection therewith) and subject to the terms therein. The Work shall include on-site engineering assistance, training and materials, technical analysis and support, implementation assistance services, and other technical services as requested by NYSERDA. The Work shall be carried out with diligence and skill to the satisfaction of NYSERDA. The Contractor agrees to cooperate with NYSERDA in carrying out the Work, and to review and act upon NYSERDA recommendations, in order to assure the Work's expeditious and satisfactory conduct and completion. The Contractor also agrees to meet with NYSERDA at such times as NYSERDA may reasonably request, and at other times specified in Task Work Orders, to discuss the progress of the Work and any other matters that may arise.

Section 2.02. Project Personnel. It is understood and agreed that the "Contact Person" identified in Item 3 of page one of the Agreement shall serve as Project Director and as such shall have the responsibility of the overall supervision and conduct of the Work on behalf of the Contractor and that the persons described in Task Work Orders shall serve in the capacities described therein for the conduct of the Work described therein. Any changes of Project Director or in persons described in Task Work Orders shall be subject to the prior written approval of NYSERDA. Annexed as Exhibit E is a list of personnel that will be available to perform Work under this Agreement along with the rates that will apply for each such person during the term of this Agreement. If the Contractor wishes to employ personnel not listed on Exhibit E to complete any Task Work Order hereunder, the Contractor must obtain the written approval of NYSERDA. The approvals set forth in this Section shall not be unreasonably withheld, and, in the event that notice of approval or disapproval is not received by the Contractor within thirty (30) days after receipt of request for approval by NYSERDA, the requested change in Project Director or personnel shall be considered approved. In the event that NYSERDA requires additional time for considering approval, NYSERDA shall notify the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request for approval that additional time is required and shall specify the additional amount of time necessary up to thirty (30) days.

Section 2.03. Title to Equipment. Title shall vest in NYSERDA to all equipment purchased by the Contractor under this Agreement. Upon the request of NYSERDA, the Contractor shall execute, acknowledge, deliver and perform, or cause to be executed, acknowledged, delivered or performed, all such bills of sale, assignments, conveyances or other documents or acts as NYSERDA may reasonably request in order to assure the better vesting in and confirming to NYSERDA, its successor and assigns, of title to and possession of such equipment.

### Article III

#### Deliverables

Section 3.01. Deliverables. All deliverables shall be provided in accordance with the Exhibit A and the Task Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement.

## Article IV

### Payment

Section 4.01. Payment Terms. Compensation will be based on the Contractor's staff charges and indirect costs plus allowable direct charges (collectively, "Contractor fees"). Contractor fees for a project must be fully described in each Task Work Order Plan budget and must be approved by NYSERDA. The Task Work Order Plan budget must state a not-to-exceed cost cap or ceiling amount for each project. The Contractor shall not accrue billable costs beyond the not-to-exceed cost cap in the Task Work Order Plan without approval in writing by NYSERDA. The Contractor shall not be compensated for time spent in the preparation of any Task Work Order Plan.

The Task Work Order issued by NYSERDA will state NYSERDA's funding obligation. For projects in which NYSERDA is not directly paying 100% of the Contractor's fees, the Contractor itself must negotiate a payment schedule and collect fees from all other parties directly. NYSERDA will be responsible for its share of the project costs only.

(a) Staff Charges. To the extent Cash-based Expenses are incurred by the Contractor, the Contractor shall be reimbursed amounts paid to its employees for the services performed by its employees under the terms of this Agreement at the lesser of the employee's wage rate set forth in each Task Work Order and within the ranges set forth in Exhibit E or the actual wages paid to the employee and applicable at the time the Work is performed. Such billing rates shall not be increased during the term hereof without the written consent of NYSERDA.

(b) Direct Charges: To the extent Cash-based Expenses are incurred by the Contractor, the Contractor shall be reimbursed NYSERDA's pro rata share of reasonable and necessary actual direct costs incurred (e.g., equipment, supplies, travel and other costs directly associated with the performance of the Agreement) to the extent required in the performance of the Work and to the extent such costs are anticipated in the Task Work Order budget. Travel, lodging, meals and incidental expenses shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary costs incurred. Costs shall not exceed the daily per diem rates published in the Federal Travel Regulations. Reimbursement for the use of personal vehicles shall be limited to the Internal Revenue Service business standard mileage rate in effect at the time the expense was incurred.

(c) Indirect Costs: The Contractor shall be reimbursed for NYSERDA's pro rata share of fringe benefits, overhead, general and administrative (G&A), and other indirect costs, all at the fixed rate as set forth in Exhibit E. The Contractor hereby warrants and guarantees, in accordance with Section 9.01(k) hereto, that its rates for the foregoing indirect costs charged herein have been determined based on the Contractor's reasonably anticipated indirect costs during the term of the Agreement and calculated consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

(d) Profit: The Contractor shall be paid a profit at a fixed rate, as set forth in Exhibit E. The percentage for profit shall be applied only to Staff Charges incurred in the performance of the Statement of Work.

(e) Task Work Order Cost Cap: The Task Work Order budget must state a not-to-exceed cost cap or ceiling amount for each Task Work Order assignment. The Contractor shall not accrue billable costs beyond the not-to-exceed cost cap in the Task Work Order without approval in writing by NYSERDA.

Section 4.02. Progress Payments. Unless otherwise specified in the Notice to Proceed for an individual Task Work Order, the Contractor may submit invoices for progress payment no more than once each month for Work performed. Invoices shall be addressed to NYSERDA, "Attention: Accounts Payable," or submitted electronically to [invoices@nyserdera.ny.gov](mailto:invoices@nyserdera.ny.gov). Such invoices shall make reference to the Agreement number shown in Item No. 1 on page one of this Agreement. Invoices shall set forth total project costs incurred. They shall be in a format consistent with the cost categories set forth in the Task Work Order budget. Invoices shall be itemized and provide reasonable documentation for the above to provide evidence of costs incurred. If a wage rate or billing rate is used, Contractor must certify on its invoice that such rate represents the lesser of: (i) the actual rate at the time the Work was performed, and (ii) the rate listed for each such employee listed in the Task Work Order budget that are within the ranges set forth in Exhibit E. NYSERDA may adjust amounts payable to correlate the proportion of NYSERDA's funding share paid to the proportion of the Work completed.

The Contractor shall be notified by NYSERDA in accordance with Section 5.04.4 (b)(2) of NYSERDA's Prompt Payment Policy Statement, attached hereto as Exhibit D, of any such information or documentation which the Contractor did not include with such invoice.

In accordance with and subject to the provisions of such Exhibit D, NYSERDA shall pay to the Contractor, within the prescribed time after receipt of an invoice for a progress payment, the amount so requested, unless NYSERDA should determine that any such payment or any part thereof is otherwise not properly payable pursuant to the terms of the Agreement or the Budget.

Section 4.03. Release by the Contractor. The acceptance by the Contractor of final payment from NYSERDA under each Task Work Order issued pursuant to this Agreement shall release NYSERDA from all claims and liability that the Contractor, its representatives and assigns might otherwise have relating to the Task Work Order and this Agreement.

Section 4.04. Maintenance of Records. The Contractor shall keep, maintain, and preserve at its principal office throughout the term of the Agreement and for a period of three years after acceptance of the Work, full and detailed books, accounts, and records pertaining to this Agreement, including without limitation, all data, bills, invoices, payrolls, time records, expense reports, subcontracting efforts and other documentation evidencing, or in any material way related to, the direct and indirect costs and expenses incurred by the Contractor in the course of such performance under this Agreement.

Section 4.05. Audit. NYSERDA shall have the right from time to time and at all reasonable times during the term of this Agreement and for the maintenance period set forth in Section 4.04 hereof to inspect and audit any and all books, accounts and records related to this Agreement or reasonably necessary to the performance of an audit at the office or offices of the Contractor where they are then being kept, maintained and preserved pursuant to Section 4.04 hereof. Any payment made under the Agreement shall be subject to retroactive reduction for amounts included therein which are found by NYSERDA on the basis of any audit of the Contractor by NYSERDA, the State of New York or an agency of the United States, not to constitute an allowable charge or cost hereunder.

## Article V

### Assignments, Subcontracts and Purchase Orders

Section 5.01. General Restrictions. Except as specifically provided otherwise in this Article, the assignment, transfer, conveyance, subcontracting or other disposal of this Agreement or any of the Contractor's rights, obligations, interests or responsibilities hereunder, in whole or in part, without the express consent in writing of NYSERDA shall be void and of no effect as to NYSERDA.

Section 5.02. Subcontract Procedures. Without relieving it of, or in any way limiting, its obligations to NYSERDA under this Agreement, the Contractor may enter into Subcontracts for the performance of Work or for the purchase of materials or equipment. Except for a subcontractor or supplier specified in a team arrangement with the Contractor in the Contractor's original proposal, and except for any subcontract or order for equipment, supplies or materials from a single subcontractor or supplier totaling less than \$50,000, the Contractor shall select all subcontractors or suppliers through a process of competitive bidding or multi-source price review. A team arrangement is one where a subcontractor or supplier specified in the Contractor's proposal is performing a substantial portion of the Work and is making a substantial contribution to the management and/or design of the Project. In the event that a competitive bidding or multi-source price review is not feasible, the Contractor shall document an explanation for, and justification of, a sole source selection. The Contractor shall document the process by which a subcontractor or supplier is selected by making a record summarizing the nature and scope of the work, equipment, supplies or materials sought, the name of each person or organization submitting, or requested to submit, a bid or proposal, the price or fee bid, and the basis for selection of the subcontractor or supplier. An explanation for, and justification of, a sole source selection must identify why the work, equipment, supplies or materials involved are obtainable from or require a subcontractor with unique or exceptionally scarce qualifications or experience, specialized equipment, or facilities not readily available from other sources, or patents, copyrights, or proprietary data. All Subcontracts shall contain provisions comparable to those set forth in this Agreement applicable to a subcontractor or supplier, and those set forth in Exhibit C to the extent required by law, and all other provisions now or hereafter required by law to be contained therein. Each Subcontract shall make express reference to this Agreement, and shall state that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between any Subcontract and this Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control as between Subcontractor and Contractor. The Contractor shall submit to NYSERDA's Contract Administrator for review

and written approval any subcontract(s) specified in a Task Work Order as requiring NYSERDA approval, including any replacements thereof.

Section 5.03. Performance. The Contractor shall promptly and diligently comply with its obligations under each Subcontract and shall take no action that would impair its rights thereunder. The Contractor shall take no action, and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent its Subcontractors from taking any action, that would impair NYSERDA's rights under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not assign, cancel or terminate any Subcontract without the prior written approval of NYSERDA's Contract Administrator as long as this Agreement remains in effect. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and, in the event that notice of approval or disapproval is not received by the Contractor within thirty days after receipt of request for approval by NYSERDA, the requested assignment, cancellation, or termination of the Subcontract shall be considered approved by NYSERDA. In the event that NYSERDA requires additional time for considering approval, NYSERDA shall notify the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request for approval that additional time is required and shall specify the additional amount of time necessary up to sixty (60) days.

## Article VI

### Schedule; Acceptance of Work

Section 6.01. Schedule. The Work shall be performed as expeditiously as possible in conformity with the schedule requirements contained herein and in the Statement of Work. It is understood and agreed that the delivery of the draft and final versions of the Final Report by the Contractor shall occur in a timely manner and in accordance with the requirements of the Task Work Order schedule.

Section 6.02. Acceptance of Work. The completion of the Work shall be subject to acceptance by NYSERDA in writing of the Final Report and all other deliverables as defined in the Task Work Order Plan.

## Article VII

### Force Majeure

Section 7.01. Force Majeure. Neither party hereto shall be liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its respective obligations hereunder if and to the extent that such delay or failure is due to a cause or circumstance beyond the reasonable control of such party, including, without limitation, acts of God or the public enemy, expropriation or confiscation of land or facilities, compliance with any law, order or request of any Federal, State, municipal or local governmental authority, acts of war, rebellion or sabotage or damage resulting therefrom, fires, floods, storms, explosions, accidents, riots, strikes, or the delay or failure to perform by any Subcontractor by reason of any cause or circumstance beyond the reasonable control of such Subcontractor.

## Article VIII

## Rights in Information; Confidentiality

### Section 8.01. Rights in Contract and Proprietary Information.

- (a) All Contract Information shall be the property of NYSERDA. The Contractor shall not use Contract Information for any purpose other than to implement its obligations under this Agreement.
- (b) All Proprietary Information shall be the property of Contractor.
- (c) The use, public performance, reproduction, distribution, or modification of any materials used by Contractor in the performance of this Agreement does not and will not violate the rights of any third parties, including, but not limited to, copyrights, trademarks, service marks, publicity, or privacy. The Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining and paying for any necessary licenses to use any third-party content.
- (d) The Contractor agrees that to the extent it receives or is given any information from NYSERDA or a NYSERDA contractor or subcontractor, the Contractor shall treat such data in accordance with any restrictive legend contained thereon, unless another use is specifically authorized by prior written approval of the NYSERDA Project Manager. Contractor acknowledges that in the performance of the Work under this Agreement, Contractor may come into possession of personal information as that term is defined in Section 92 of the New York State Public Officers Law. Contractor agrees not to disclose any such information without the consent of NYSERDA.

## Article IX

### Warranties and Guarantees

#### Section 9.01. Warranties and Guarantees. The Contractor warrants and guarantees that:

- (a) all information provided and all representations made by Contractor as a part of the proposal, if any, submitted to NYSERDA in order to obtain or in application for this Agreement were, to the best of Contractor's knowledge, complete, true and accurate when provided or made;
- (b) as of the Effective Date, it is financially and technically qualified to perform the Work, and is qualified to do business and is in good standing in all jurisdictions necessary for Contractor to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (c) it is familiar with and will comply with all general and special Federal, State, municipal and local laws, ordinances and regulations, if any, that may in any way affect the performance of this Agreement;

(d) the design, supervision and workmanship furnished with respect to performance of the Work shall be in accordance with sound and currently accepted construction and design standards and best engineering practices;

(e) all materials, equipment and workmanship furnished by it and by Subcontractors in performance of the Work or any portion thereof shall be free of defects in design, material and workmanship, and all such materials and equipment shall be of first-class quality, shall conform with all applicable codes, specifications, standards and ordinances and shall have service lives and maintenance characteristics suitable for their intended purposes in accordance with sound and currently accepted construction and design standards and best engineering practices;

(f) neither the Contractor nor any of its employees, agents, representatives or servants has actual knowledge of any patent issued under the laws of the United States or any other matter which could constitute a basis for any claim that the performance of the Work or any part thereof infringes any patent or otherwise interferes with any other right of any Person;

(g) to the best of Contractor's knowledge, there are no existing undisclosed or threatened legal actions, claims, or encumbrances, or liabilities that may adversely affect the Work or NYSERDA's rights hereunder;

(h) it has no actual knowledge that any information or document or statement furnished by the Contractor in connection with this Agreement contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statement not misleading, and that all facts have been disclosed that would materially adversely affect the Work;

(i) all information provided to NYSERDA with respect to State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k is complete, true and accurate;

(j) Contractor is familiar with and will comply with NYSERDA's Code of Conduct for Contractors, Consultants, and Vendors with respect to the performance of this Agreement;<sup>1</sup> and

(k) its rates for the indirect costs charged herein have been determined based on the Contractor's reasonably anticipated indirect costs during the term of the Agreement and calculated consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

## Article X

### Indemnification

Section 10.01. Indemnification. The Contractor shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless NYSERDA and the State of New York from and against all liabilities, losses, claims, damages, judgments, penalties, causes of action, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and expenses) imposed upon or incurred by or asserted against

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<sup>1</sup>[http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/~media/Files/About/Board%20Governance/CodeConduct.ashx?sc\\_database=web](http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/~media/Files/About/Board%20Governance/CodeConduct.ashx?sc_database=web)

NYSERDA or the State of New York resulting from, arising out of or relating to the Contractor's or its Subcontractors' performance of this Agreement. The obligations of the Contractor under this Article shall survive any expiration or termination of this Agreement, and shall not be limited by any enumeration herein of required insurance coverage.

## Article XI

### Insurance

Section 11.01. Maintenance of Insurance; Policy Provisions. The Contractor, at no additional direct cost to NYSERDA, shall maintain or cause to be maintained throughout the term of this Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts specified in the Section hereof entitled Types of Insurance. All such insurance shall be evidenced by insurance policies, each of which shall:

- (a) name or be endorsed to cover NYSERDA, the State of New York and the Contractor as additional insureds;
- (b) provide that such policy may not be cancelled or modified until at least 30 days after receipt by NYSERDA of written notice thereof; and
- (c) be reasonably satisfactory to NYSERDA in all other respects.

Section 11.02. Types of Insurance. The types and amounts of insurance required to be maintained under this Article are as follows:

- (a) Commercial general liability insurance for bodily injury liability, including death, and property damage liability, incurred in connection with the performance of this Agreement, with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 in respect of claims arising out of personal injury or sickness or death of any one person, \$1,000,000 in respect of claims arising out of personal injury, sickness or death in any one accident or disaster, and \$1,000,000 in respect of claims arising out of property damage in any one accident or disaster; and
- (b) Workers Compensation, Employers Liability, and Disability Benefits as required by New York State.

Section 11.03. Delivery of Policies; Insurance Certificates. Prior to commencing the Work, the Contractor shall deliver to NYSERDA certificates of insurance issued by the respective insurers, indicating the Agreement number thereon, evidencing the insurance required by Article XI hereof. In the event any policy furnished or carried pursuant to this Article will expire on a date prior to acceptance of the Work by NYSERDA pursuant to the section hereof entitled Acceptance of Work, the Contractor, not less than 15 days prior to such expiration date, shall deliver to NYSERDA certificates of insurance evidencing the renewal of such policies, and the Contractor shall promptly pay all premiums thereon due. In the event of threatened legal action, claims, encumbrances, or liabilities that may affect NYSERDA hereunder, or if deemed

necessary by NYSERDA due to events rendering a review necessary, upon request the Contractor shall deliver to NYSERDA a certified copy of each policy.

## Article XII

### Stop Work Order; Termination; Non-Responsibility

#### Section 12.01. Stop Work Order.

(a) NYSERDA may at any time, by written Order to the Contractor, require the Contractor to stop all or any part of the Work called for by this Agreement for a period of up to ninety (90) days after the Stop Work Order is delivered to the Contractor, and for any further period to which the parties may agree. Any such order shall be specifically identified as a Stop Work Order issued pursuant to this Section. Upon receipt of such an Order, the Contractor shall forthwith comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the Work covered by the Order during the period of work stoppage consistent with public health and safety. Within a period of ninety (90) days after a Stop Work Order is delivered to the Contractor, or within any extension of that period to which the parties shall have agreed, NYSERDA shall either:

- (i) by written notice to the Contractor, cancel the Stop Work Order, which shall be effective as provided in such cancellation notice, or if not specified therein, upon receipt by the Contractor, or
- (ii) terminate the Work covered by such order as provided in the Termination Section of this Agreement.

(b) If a Stop Work Order issued under this Section is cancelled or the period of the Order or any extension thereof expires, the Contractor shall resume Work. An equitable adjustment shall be made in the delivery schedule, the estimated cost, the fee, if any, or a combination thereof, and in any other provisions of the Agreement that may be affected, and the Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly, if:

- (i) the Stop Work Order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the Contractor's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this Agreement, and
- (ii) the Contractor asserts a claim for such adjustments within 30 days after the end of the period of Work stoppage; provided that, if NYSERDA decides the facts justify such action, NYSERDA may receive and act upon any such claim asserted at any time prior to final payment under this Agreement.

(c) If a Stop Work Order is not cancelled and the Work covered by such Order is terminated, the reasonable costs resulting from the Stop Work Order shall be allowed by equitable adjustment or otherwise.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 12.01, the maximum amount payable by NYSERDA to the Contractor pursuant to this Section 12.01 shall not be increased or deemed to be increased except by specific written amendment hereto.

#### Section 12.02. Termination.

(a) This Agreement may be terminated by NYSERDA at any time during the term of this Agreement with or without cause, upon ten (10) days prior written notice to the Contractor. In such event, payment shall be paid to the Contractor for Work performed and expenses incurred prior to the effective date of termination in accordance with the provisions of the Article hereof entitled Payment and in reimbursement of any amounts required to be paid by the Contractor pursuant to Subcontracts; provided, however, that upon receipt of any such notice of termination, the Contractor shall cease the performance of Work, shall make no further commitments with respect thereto and shall reduce insofar as possible the amount of outstanding commitments (including, to the extent requested by NYSERDA, through termination of subcontracts containing provisions therefor). Articles VIII, IX, and X shall survive any termination of this Agreement, and Article XVI shall survive until the payment obligations pursuant to Article VIII have been met.

(b) NYSERDA specifically reserves the right to terminate this agreement in the event that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k is found to have been intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, or that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with New York State Tax Law Section 5-a is found to have been intentionally false when made. Terminations under this subsection (b) will be effective upon Notice.

(c) Nothing in this Article shall preclude the Contractor from continuing to carry out the Work called for by the Agreement after receipt of a Stop Work Order or termination notice at its own election, provided that, if the Contractor so elects: (i) any such continuing Work after receipt of the Stop Work Order or termination notice shall be deemed not to be Work pursuant to the Agreement, and (ii) NYSERDA shall have no liability to the Contractor for any costs of the Work continuing after receipt of the Stop Work Order or termination notice.

#### 12.03 Suspension or Termination for Non-Responsibility.

(a) Suspension. NYSERDA, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Agreement, at any time, when it discovers information that calls into question the Responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as NYSERDA issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

(b) Termination. Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate NYSERDA officials or staff, this Agreement may be terminated by NYSERDA at the Contractor's expense where the Contractor is determined by NYSERDA to be

non-Responsible. In such event, NYSERDA may complete the contractual requirements in any manner it may deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

## Article XIII

### Independent Contractor

Section 13.01. Independent Contractor. (a) The status of the Contractor under this Agreement shall be that of an independent contractor and not that of an agent, and in accordance with such status, the Contractor, the Subcontractors, and their respective officers, agents, employees, representatives and servants, including the Project Director, shall at all times during the term of this Agreement conduct themselves in a manner consistent with such status and by reason of this Agreement shall neither hold themselves out as, nor claim to be acting in the capacity of, officers, employees, agents, representatives or servants of NYSERDA nor make any claim, demand or application for any right or privilege applicable to NYSERDA, including, without limitation, vicarious liability, professional liability coverage or indemnification, rights or privileges derived from workers' compensation coverage, unemployment insurance benefits, social security coverage and retirement membership or credit. It is understood and agreed that the personnel furnished by Contractor to perform the Work shall be Contractor's employee(s) or agent(s), and under no circumstances are such employee(s) to be considered NYSERDA's employee(s) or agent(s), and shall remain the employees of Contractor, except to the extent required by section 414(n) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) Contractor expressly acknowledges NYSERDA's need to be advised, on an immediate basis, of the existence of any claim or event that might result in a claim or claims against NYSERDA, Contractor and/or Contractor's personnel by virtue of any act or omission on the part of NYSERDA or its employees. Accordingly, Contractor expressly covenants and agrees to notify NYSERDA of any such claim or event, including but not limited to, requests for accommodation and allegations of harassment and/or discrimination, immediately upon contractor's discovery of the same, and to fully and honestly cooperate with NYSERDA in its efforts to investigate and/or address such claims or events, including but not limited to, complying with any reasonable request by NYSERDA for disclosure of information concerning such claim or event even in the event that this Agreement should terminate for any reason.

## Article XIV

### Compliance with Certain Laws

Section 14.01. Laws of the State of New York. The Contractor shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Exhibit C hereto.

Section 14.02. All Legal Provisions Deemed Included. It is the intent and understanding of the Contractor and NYSERDA that each and every provision of law required by the laws of the State of New York to be contained in this Agreement shall be contained herein, and if, through mistake, oversight or otherwise, any such provision is not contained herein, or is not contained herein in correct form, this Agreement shall, upon the application of either NYSERDA

or the Contractor, promptly be amended so as to comply strictly with the laws of the State of New York with respect to the inclusion in this Agreement of all such provisions.

Section 14.03. Other Legal Requirements. The references to particular laws of the State of New York in this Article, in Exhibit C and elsewhere in this Agreement are not intended to be exclusive and nothing contained in such Article, Exhibit and Agreement shall be deemed to modify the obligations of the Contractor to comply with all legal requirements.

## Article XV

### Notices, Entire Agreement, Amendment, Counterparts

#### Section 15.01. Notices.

(a) All notices, requests, consents, approvals and other communications which may or are required to be given by either party to the other under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be transmitted either:

- (i) via certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested;
- (ii) by facsimile transmission;
- (iii) by personal delivery;
- (iv) by expedited delivery service; or
- (v) by e-mail, return receipt requested.

Such notices shall be addressed as follows, or to such different addresses as the parties may from time-to-time designate as set forth in paragraph (c) below:

#### **NYSERDA**

Name: Cheryl M. Glanton  
Title: Director of Contract Management  
Address: 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, New York 12203  
Facsimile Number: 518-862-1091  
E-Mail Address: [Cheryl.Glanton@nysesda.ny.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Glanton@nysesda.ny.gov)  
Personal Delivery: Reception desk at the above address

#### **[Contractor]**

Name:  
Title:  
Address:  
Facsimile Number:  
E-Mail Address:

(b) Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given either at the time of personal delivery or, in the case of expedited delivery service or certified or registered United States mail, as of the date of first attempted delivery at the address and in the manner provided herein, or in the case of facsimile transmission or email, upon receipt.

(c) The parties may, from time to time, specify any new or different address in the United States as their address for purpose of receiving notice under this Agreement by giving fifteen (15) days written notice to the other party sent in accordance herewith. The parties agree to mutually designate individuals as their respective representatives for the purposes of receiving notices under this Agreement. Additional individuals may be designated in writing by the parties for purposes of implementation and administration/billing, resolving issues and problems and/or for dispute resolution.

Section 15.02. Entire Agreement; Amendment. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement and understanding between NYSERDA and the Contractor and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, this Agreement may be changed, waived, discharged or terminated only by an instrument in writing, signed by the party against which enforcement of such change, waiver, discharge or termination is sought.

Section 15.03. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

## Article XVI

### Publicity

#### Section 16.01. Publicity.

(a) The Contractor shall collaborate with NYSERDA's Director of Communications to prepare any press release and to plan for any news conference concerning the Work. In addition the Contractor shall notify NYSERDA's Director of Communications regarding any media interview in which the Work is referred to or discussed.

(b) It is recognized that during the course of the Work under this Agreement, the Contractor or its employees may from time to time desire to publish information regarding scientific or technical developments made or conceived in the course of or under this Agreement. In any such information, the Contractor shall credit NYSERDA's funding participation in the Project, and shall state that "NYSERDA has not reviewed the information contained herein, and the opinions expressed in this report do not necessarily reflect those of NYSERDA or the State of New York." Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Contractor shall have the right to use and freely disseminate project results for educational purposes, if applicable, consistent with the Contractor's policies.

(c) Commercial promotional materials or advertisements produced by the Contractor shall credit NYSERDA, as stated above, and shall be submitted to NYSERDA for review and recommendations to improve their effectiveness prior to use. The wording of such credit can be approved in advance by NYSERDA, and, after initial approval, such credit may be used in subsequent promotional materials or advertisements without additional approvals for the credit,

provided, however, that all such promotional materials or advertisements shall be submitted to NYSERDA prior to use for review, as stated above. Such approvals shall not be unreasonably withheld, and, in the event that notice of approval or disapproval is not received by the Contractor within thirty days after receipt of request for approval, the promotional materials or advertisement shall be considered approved. In the event that NYSERDA requires additional time for considering approval, NYSERDA shall notify the Contractor within thirty days of receipt of the request for approval that additional time is required and shall specify the additional amount of time necessary up to 180 days. If NYSERDA and the Contractor do not agree on the wording of such credit in connection with such materials, the Contractor may use such materials, but agrees not to include such credit.

EXHIBIT C

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STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
FOR ALL NYSERDA AGREEMENTS

(Based on Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts and Tax Law Section 5-a)

The parties to the Agreement agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the Agreement:

1. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or marital status. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is an Agreement for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this Agreement shall be performed within the State of New York, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Agreement. If this is a building service Agreement as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. Contractor is subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 as well as possible termination of this Agreement and forfeiture of all moneys due hereunder for a second subsequent violation.

2. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS. If this is a public work Agreement covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service Agreement covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article

8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be a condition precedent to payment by NYSERDA of any NYSERDA-approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

3. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENT. In accordance with Section 2878 of the Public Authorities Law, if this Agreement was awarded based upon the submission of bids, Contractor warrants, under penalty of perjury, that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. Contractor further warrants that, at the time Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to NYSERDA a non-collusive bidding certification on Contractor's behalf.

4. INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT PROHIBITION. If this Agreement exceeds \$5,000, the Contractor agrees, as a material condition of the Agreement, that neither the Contractor nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated, is participating, or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the Federal Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 USC App. Sections 2401 et seq.) or regulations thereunder. If such Contractor, or any of the aforesaid affiliates of Contractor, is convicted or is otherwise found to have violated said laws or regulations upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States subsequent to the Agreement's execution, such Agreement, amendment or modification thereto shall be rendered forfeit and void. The Contractor shall so notify NYSERDA within five (5) business days of such conviction, determination or disposition of appeal. (See and compare Section 220-f of the Labor Law, Section 139-h of the State Finance Law, and 2 NYCRR 105.4).

5. SET-OFF RIGHTS. NYSERDA shall have all of its common law and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, NYSERDA's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this Agreement up to any amounts due and owing to NYSERDA with regard to this Agreement, any other Agreement, including any Agreement for a term commencing prior to the term of this Agreement, plus any amounts due and owing to NYSERDA for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto.

6. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in the Agreement, Contractor and NYSERDA acknowledge and agree that all information, in any format, submitted to NYSERDA shall be subject to and treated in accordance with the NYS Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL," Public Officers Law, Article 6). Pursuant to FOIL, NYSERDA is required to make available to the public, upon request, records or portions thereof which it possesses, unless that information is statutorily exempt from disclosure. Therefore, unless the Agreement specifically requires otherwise, Contractor should submit information to NYSERDA in a non-confidential, non-proprietary format. FOIL does provide that NYSERDA may deny access to records

or portions thereof that “are trade secrets or are submitted to an agency by a commercial enterprise or derived from information obtained from a commercial enterprise and which if disclosed would cause substantial injury to the competitive position of the subject enterprise.” [See Public Officers Law, § 87(2)(d)]. Accordingly, if the Agreement specifically requires submission of information in a format Contractor considers a proprietary and/or confidential trade secret, Contractor shall fully identify and plainly label the information “confidential” or “proprietary” at the time of disclosure. By so marking such information, Contractor represents that the information has actual or potential specific commercial or competitive value to the competitors of Contractor. Without limitation, information will not be considered confidential or proprietary if it is or has been (i) generally known or available from other sources without obligation concerning its confidentiality; (ii) made available by the owner to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality; or (iii) already available to NYSERDA without obligation concerning its confidentiality. In the event of a FOIL request, it is NYSERDA’s policy to consider records as marked above pursuant to the trade secret exemption procedure set forth in 21 New York Codes Rules & Regulations § 501.6 and any other applicable law or regulation. However, NYSERDA cannot guarantee the confidentiality of any information submitted. More information on FOIL, and the relevant statutory law and regulations, can be found at the website for the Committee on Open Government (<http://www.dos.state.ny.us/coog/foil2.html>) and NYSERDA’s Regulations, Part 501 (<http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/en/About/~media/Files/About/Contact/NYSERDARegulations.ashx>).

7. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION. (a) FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER and/or FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. As a condition to NYSERDA’s obligation to pay any invoices submitted by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, Contractor shall provide to NYSERDA its Federal employer identification number or Federal social security number, or both such numbers when the Contractor has both such numbers. Where the Contractor does not have such number or numbers, the Contractor must give the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.

(b) PRIVACY NOTIFICATION. The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by Contractor to the State is mandatory. The principal purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law.

8. CONFLICTING TERMS. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Agreement (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Exhibit C, the terms of this Exhibit C shall control.

9. GOVERNING LAW. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise.

10. NO ARBITRATION. Disputes involving this Agreement, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily required) without the NYSERDA's written consent, but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

11. SERVICE OF PROCESS. In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law and Rules ("CPLR"), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon NYSERDA's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify NYSERDA, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by NYSERDA to the last known address shall be sufficient. Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

12. CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. If subsequent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, NYSERDA comes to know of any allegation previously unknown to it that the Contractor or any of its principals is under indictment for a felony, or has been, within five (5) years prior to submission of the Contractor's proposal to NYSERDA, convicted of a felony, under the laws of the United States or Territory of the United States, then NYSERDA may exercise its stop work right under this Agreement. If subsequent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, NYSERDA comes to know of the fact, previously unknown to it, that Contractor or any of its principals is under such indictment or has been so convicted, then NYSERDA may exercise its right to terminate this Agreement. If the Contractor knowingly withheld information about such an indictment or conviction, NYSERDA may declare the Agreement null and void and may seek legal remedies against the Contractor and its principals. The Contractor or its principals may also be subject to penalties for any violation of law which may apply in the particular circumstances. For a Contractor which is an association, partnership, corporation, or other organization, the provisions of this paragraph apply to any such indictment or conviction of the organization itself or any of its officers, partners, or directors or members of any similar governing body, as applicable.

13. PERMITS. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to acquire and maintain, at its own cost, any and all permits, licenses, easements, waivers and permissions of every nature necessary to perform the work.

14. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS. The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this Agreement will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of State Finance Law Section 165 (Use of Tropical Hardwoods), which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted by NYSERDA.

15. OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992. It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority and women-owned business enterprises as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

Information on the availability of New York State subcontractors and suppliers is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development  
Division for Small Business  
30 South Pearl St -- 7th Floor  
Albany, New York 12245  
Telephone: 518-292-5220  
Fax: 518-292-5884  
<http://www.esd.ny.gov>

A directory of certified minority and women-owned business enterprises is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development  
Division of Minority and Women's Business Development  
30 South Pearl St -- 2nd Floor  
Albany, New York 12245  
Telephone: 518-292-5250  
Fax: 518-292-5803  
<http://www.empire.state.ny.us>

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing this Agreement, Contractors certify that whenever the total amount is greater than \$1 million:

(a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;

(b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;

(c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and

(d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

16. RECIPROCITY AND SANCTIONS PROVISIONS. Bidders are hereby notified that if their principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services they offer will be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. NOTE: As of May 15, 2002, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of South Carolina, Alaska, West Virginia, Wyoming, Louisiana and Hawaii. Contact NYS Department of Economic Development for a current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

17. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE INFORMATION SECURITY BREACH AND NOTIFICATION ACT. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208).

18. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING. To the extent this Agreement is a “procurement contract” as defined by State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k, by signing this Agreement the Contractor certifies and affirms that all disclosures made in accordance with State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k are complete, true and accurate. In the event such certification is found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, NYSERDA may terminate the agreement by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

19. COMPLIANCE WITH TAX LAW SECTION 5-a. The following provisions apply to Contractors that have entered into agreements in an amount exceeding \$100,000 for the purchase of goods and services:

- a) Before such agreement can take effect, the Contractor must have on file with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance a Contractor Certification form (ST-220-TD).
- b) Prior to entering into such an agreement, the Contractor is required to provide NYSERDA with a completed Contractor Certification to Covered Agency form (Form ST-220-CA).
- c) Prior to any renewal period (if applicable) under the agreement, the Contractor is required to provide NYSERDA with a completed Form ST-220-CA.

Certifications referenced in paragraphs (b) and (c) above will be maintained by NYSERDA and made a part hereof and incorporated herein by reference.

NYSERDA reserves the right to terminate this agreement in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with Tax Law Section 5-a was false when made.

20. IRANIAN ENERGY SECTOR DIVESTMENT. In accordance with Section 2879-c of the Public Authorities Law, by signing this contract, each person and each person signing on behalf of any other party certifies, and in the case of a joint bid or partnership each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each person is not on the list created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of [section 165-a of the State Finance Law](#) (See [www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/ida.asp](http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/ida.asp)).

## EXHIBIT D

### NYSERDA PROMPT PAYMENT POLICY STATEMENT

**504.1. Purpose and Applicability.** (a) The purpose of this Exhibit is to provide a description of Part 504 of NYSERDA's regulations, which consists of NYSERDA's policy for making payment promptly on amounts properly due and owing by NYSERDA under this Agreement. The section numbers used in this document correspond to the section numbers appearing in Part 504 of the regulations.<sup>2</sup>

(b) This Exhibit applies generally to payments due and owing by the NYSERDA to the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. However, this Exhibit does not apply to Payments due and owing when NYSERDA is exercising a Set-Off against all or part of the Payment, or if a State or Federal law, rule or regulation specifically requires otherwise.

**504.2. Definitions.** Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Exhibit shall have the same meaning as set forth earlier in this Agreement. In addition to said terms, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context shall indicate another or different meaning or intent:

(a) "Date of Payment" means the date on which NYSERDA requisitions a check from its statutory fiscal agent, the Department of Taxation and Finance, to make a Payment.

(b) "Designated Payment Office" means the Office of NYSERDA's Controller, located at 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, New York 12203.

(c) "Payment" means payment properly due and owing to Contractor pursuant to Article IV, Exhibit B of this Agreement.

(d) "Prompt Payment" means a Payment within the time periods applicable pursuant to Sections 504.3 through 504.5 of this Exhibit in order for NYSERDA not to be liable for interest pursuant to Section 504.6.

(e) "Payment Due Date" means the date by which the Date of Payment must occur, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 504.3 through 504.5 of this Exhibit, in order for NYSERDA not to be liable for interest pursuant to Section 504.6.

(f) "Proper Invoice" means a written request for Payment that is submitted by a Contractor setting forth the description, price or cost, and quantity of goods, property or services delivered or rendered, in such form, and supported by such other substantiating documentation, as NYSERDA may reasonably require, including but not limited to any requirements set forth in Exhibits A or B to this Agreement; and addressed to

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<sup>2</sup> This is only a summary; the full text of Part 504 can be accessed at:  
<http://www.nysesda.ny.gov/en/About/~media/Files/About/Contact/NYSERDARegulations.ashx>

NYSERDA's Controller, marked "Attention: Accounts Payable," at the Designated Payment Office.

(g)(1) "Receipt of an Invoice" means:

(i) if the Payment is one for which an invoice is required, the later of:

(a) the date on which a Proper Invoice is actually received in the Designated Payment Office during normal business hours; or

(b) the date by which, during normal business hours, NYSERDA has actually received all the purchased goods, property or services covered by a Proper Invoice previously received in the Designated Payment Office.

(ii) if the Agreement provides that a Payment will be made on a specific date or at a predetermined interval, without having to submit a written invoice the 30th calendar day, excluding legal holidays, before the date so specified or predetermined.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, if the Agreement requires a multifaceted, completed or working system, or delivery of no less than a specified quantity of goods, property or services and only a portion of such systems or less than the required goods, property or services are working, completed or delivered, even though the Contractor has invoiced NYSERDA for the portion working, completed or delivered, NYSERDA will not be in Receipt of an Invoice until the specified minimum amount of the systems, goods, property or services are working, completed or delivered.

(h) "Set-off" means the reduction by NYSERDA of a payment due a Contractor by an amount equal to the amount of an unpaid legally enforceable debt owed by the Contractor to NYSERDA.

**504.3. Prompt Payment Schedule.** Except as otherwise provided by law or regulation or in Sections 504.4 and 504.5 of this Exhibit, the Date of Payment by NYSERDA of an amount properly due and owing under this Agreement shall be no later than thirty (30) calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after Receipt of a Proper Invoice.

**504.4. Payment Procedures.**

(a) Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, a Proper Invoice submitted by the Contractor to the Designated Payment Office shall be required to initiate payment for goods, property or services. As soon as any invoice is received in the Designated Payment Office during normal business hours, such invoice shall be date-stamped. The invoice shall then promptly be reviewed by NYSERDA.

(b) NYSERDA shall notify the Contractor within fifteen (15) calendar days after Receipt of an Invoice of:

- (1) any defects in the delivered goods, property or services;
- (2) any defects in the invoice; or
- (3) suspected improprieties of any kind.

(c) The existence of any defects or suspected improprieties shall prevent the commencement of the time period specified in Section 504.3 until any such defects or improprieties are corrected or otherwise resolved.

(d) If NYSERDA fails to notify a Contractor of a defect or impropriety within the fifteen (15) calendar day period specified in subdivision (b) of this section, the sole effect shall be that the number of days allowed for Payment shall be reduced by the number of days between the 15th day and the day that notification was transmitted to the Contractor. If NYSERDA fails to provide reasonable grounds for its contention that a defect or impropriety exists, the sole effect shall be that the Payment Due Date shall be calculated using the original date of Receipt of an Invoice.

(e) In the absence of any defect or suspected impropriety, or upon satisfactory correction or resolution of a defect or suspected impropriety, NYSERDA shall make Payment, consistent with any such correction or resolution and the provisions of this Exhibit.

**504.5. Exceptions and Extension of Payment Due Date.** NYSERDA has determined that, notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 504.3 and 504.4 of this Exhibit, any of the following facts or circumstances, which may occur concurrently or consecutively, reasonably justify extension of the Payment Due Date:

(a) If this Agreement provides Payment will be made on a specific date or at a predetermined interval, without having to submit a written invoice, if any documentation, supporting data, performance verification, or notice specifically required by this Agreement or other State or Federal mandate has not been submitted to NYSERDA on a timely basis, then the Payment Due Date shall be extended by the number of calendar days from the date by which all such matter was to be submitted to NYSERDA and the date when NYSERDA has actually received such matter.

(b) If an inspection or testing period, performance verification, audit or other review or documentation independent of the Contractor is specifically required by this Agreement or by other State or Federal mandate, whether to be performed by or on behalf of NYSERDA or another entity, or is specifically permitted by this Agreement or by other State or Federal provision and NYSERDA or other entity with the right to do so elects to have such activity or documentation undertaken, then the Payment Due Date

shall be extended by the number of calendar days from the date of Receipt of an Invoice to the date when any such activity or documentation has been completed, NYSERDA has actually received the results of such activity or documentation conducted by another entity, and any deficiencies identified or issues raised as a result of such activity or documentation have been corrected or otherwise resolved.

(c) If an invoice must be examined by a State or Federal agency, or by another party contributing to the funding of the Contract, prior to Payment, then the Payment Due Date shall be extended by the number of calendar days from the date of Receipt of an Invoice to the date when the State or Federal agency, or other contributing party to the Contract, has completed the inspection, advised NYSERDA of the results of the inspection, and any deficiencies identified or issues raised as a result of such inspection have been corrected or otherwise resolved.

(d) If appropriated funds from which Payment is to be made have not yet been appropriated or, if appropriated, not yet been made available to NYSERDA, then the Payment Due Date shall be extended by the number of calendar days from the date of Receipt of an Invoice to the date when such funds are made available to NYSERDA.

**504.6. Interest Eligibility and Computation.** If NYSERDA fails to make Prompt Payment, NYSERDA shall pay interest to the Contractor on the Payment when such interest computed as provided herein is equal to or more than ten dollars (\$10.00). Interest shall be computed and accrue at the daily rate in effect on the Date of Payment, as set by the New York State Tax Commission for corporate taxes pursuant to Section 1096(e)(1) of the Tax Law. Interest on such a Payment shall be computed for the period beginning on the day after the Payment Due Date and ending on the Date of Payment.

**504.7. Sources of Funds to Pay Interest.** Any interest payable by NYSERDA pursuant to Exhibit shall be paid only from the same accounts, funds, or appropriations that are lawfully available to make the related Payment.

**504.8. Incorporation of Prompt Payment Policy Statement into Contracts.** The provisions of this Exhibit shall apply to all Payments as they become due and owing pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, notwithstanding that NYSERDA may subsequently amend its Prompt Payment Policy by further rulemaking.

**504.9. Notice of Objection.** Contractor may object to any action taken by NYSERDA pursuant to this Exhibit that prevents the commencement of the time in which interest will be paid by submitting a written notice of objection to NYSERDA. Such notice shall be signed and dated and concisely and clearly set forth the basis for the objection and be addressed to the Vice President, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, at the notice address set forth in Exhibit B to this Agreement. The Vice President of NYSERDA, or his or her designee, shall review the objection for purposes of affirming or modifying NYSERDA's action. Within fifteen (15) working days of the receipt of the objection, the Vice President, or his or her designee, shall notify the Contractor either that NYSERDA's action is affirmed or that it

is modified or that, due to the complexity of the issue, additional time is needed to conduct the review; provided, however, in no event shall the extended review period exceed thirty (30) working days.

**504.10. Judicial Review.** Any determination made by NYSERDA pursuant to this Exhibit that prevents the commencement of the time in which interest will be paid is subject to judicial review in a proceeding pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules. Such proceedings shall only be commenced upon completion of the review procedure specified in Section 504.9 of this Exhibit or any other review procedure that may be specified in this Agreement or by other law, rule, or regulation.

**504.11. Court Action or Other Legal Processes.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the liability of NYSERDA to make an interest payment to a Contractor pursuant to this Exhibit shall not extend beyond the date of a notice of intention to file a claim, the date of a notice of a claim, or the date commencing a legal action for the payment of such interest, whichever occurs first.

(b) With respect to the court action or other legal processes referred to in subdivision (a) of this section, any interest obligation incurred by NYSERDA after the date specified therein pursuant to any provision of law other than Public Authorities Law Section 2880 shall be determined as prescribed by such separate provision of law, shall be paid as directed by the court, and shall be paid from any source of funds available for that purpose.

**Exhibit E**  
**PROJECT PERSONNEL & RATES**

DIRECT PERSONNEL COSTS:

Sample Title Classifications	Not to Exceed Hourly Rate Range	
	7/2014 – 7/2015	
	Min.	Max.
Principal Investigator		
Technical Specialist		
Senior Project Manager		
Project Manager		
Senior Engineer/Architect		
Engineer		
Analyst		
Administrative Support		

MULTIPLIER:

Profit / Fixed Fee:

DIRECT NON-PERSONAL SERVICE COSTS:

Direct non-personal service costs will be allowed and reimbursed at cost for project related expenses. Items not listed but necessary to complete the work must be pre-approved by NYSERDA:

Travel	Laboratory Tests	Overnight Mail
Supplies	Test Equipment Rentals	Report Reproduction/Outside Printing
Postage	Computer Services	Subcontracts