Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Interim Loan Agreement

City of Santa Fe

$114,000,000 Wastewater Utility System Loan Agreement

(Made pursuant to Funding Package consisting of $151,000,000 total Loan at 0.01%

The following items are included as part of the funding agreement:

- **Financial Pages and NMED Project Conditions, General Conditions, and Covenants**
- **Covenants and Provisions Applicable to Net Wastewater Utility System Revenue / Debt Obligations (Attachment 1)**
- **CWSRF Federal Requirements:**

Applies to All Projects:

- **Super Crosscutters**
- **Generally Accepted Government Accounting Practices**
- **Useful Life**
- **Office of the Inspector General Poster**
- **Cost and Effectiveness**

Applies only to Treatment Works Projects (UV Disinfection and Sewer Line Repair):

- **American Iron and Steel**
- **State Environmental Review Process**
- **Davis-Bacon Wage Rates**
- **Fiscal Sustainability Plan**


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CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND (CWSRF) –also known as-
WASTEWATER FACILITY CONSTRUCTION LOAN PROGRAM

Loan Number: CWSRF 140 A-F

Name of Borrower: **City of Santa Fe**

$114,000,000 Wastewater Utility Loan Agreement (made as part of total CWSRF Loan package of $151,000,000, Interest Rate: 0.01%

This Interim Loan Agreement (Agreement) between the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) of the State of New Mexico and the City of Santa Fe (Borrower) becomes effective on the date signed by the NMED. Borrower has enacted Ordinance No. 2024-6 approved on August 14, 2024 (as amended by Ordinance No. 2025-___ approved on _____, 2025), hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinance") which authorizes execution of this Agreement, authorizes the Borrower to accept loan funds from NMED, and irrevocably pledges Net Wastewater Utility System Revenues and Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues (Pledged Funds) for the repayment of the loan.

Listed below are agency contacts.

Borrower's Name and Address: City of Santa Fe 200 Lincoln Avenue PO Box 909 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0909	**NMED:** New Mexico Environment Department Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program P.O. Box 5469 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 NMENV-cpbinfo@state.nm.us
Borrower's Contact Information: _____, Public Utilities Director (505) 955-4650	**NMED Contact Information:** Stephanie DuBois, Project Engineer (505) 538-5539, stephanie.dubois@env.nm.gov Maria Molina, Program Administrator (505) 670-3876, maria.molina2@env.nm.gov

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Incorporated as part of this Agreement as though fully set forth in this Agreement is the following:

Borrower's Loan Ordinance
Interim Promissory Note
Proposed Loan Amortization Schedule
Project Description Form

I. Project Description:

A. Projects under this agreement include:

- UV Disinfection Replacement Project.
- Sanitary Sewer Line Repair.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Repair and Rehabilitation Project.

B. Borrower agrees that it will implement, in all respects, the project outlined in the attached Project Description, and made a part of this Agreement.

C. Borrower agrees to make no change in the Project Description without first submitting a written request to NMED and obtaining NMED's written approval of the required change, and if necessary, an amended loan agreement.

II. Loan Amount:

NMED agrees to loan funds to the Borrower to pay for approved costs to plan, acquire and construct the Project, in an amount not to exceed: $114,000,000 (Wastewater System Loan Amount) at the **interest rate of 0.01% annually** upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Interim Promissory Note.

Provided the Borrower complies with the Construction Conditions and the CWSRF Requirements below, the loan amount will be available for a period of three **(3) years** from the date of this Agreement. Subject to completion of the Project within the three (3) year construction period, Borrower shall determine the construction schedule for the project in its reasonable discretion.

III. Funding:

A. Project interest accrues during construction at **0.01%** annually from the

date of each disbursement from NMED to the Borrower up to the date the final disbursement request is approved by NMED. The interest accrued during construction, if applicable, shall be payable as follows:

1. Project Interest shall be due and payable in one lump sum within two weeks of receiving notice of final loan amount from the NMED, or

2. Project Interest shall be added to the loan amount disbursed and shall become part of the principal due during the term of the Final Promissory Note.

B. FINANCE COSTS

Finance costs, if applicable, will be determined upon the issuance of the Final Loan Agreement and will be based on the final amount loaned, accrued project interest and agreed upon repayment terms.

C. REPAYMENT TERMS

Repayment terms will be determined upon issuance of the Final Loan Agreement. Any loan term must be substantiated by the Borrower., and the loan term shall not exceed the average economic life of the project as a whole.. Repayment will begin not less than one year after project completion. Repayment need not be based on level payments of principal and interest, but may instead be structured to address Borrower's needs with respect to cash flow, anticipated utility rate increases, and other relevant factors, in Borrower's discretion; provided, that structured repayments shall not be interest-only, but shall include annual amortization of a portion of unpaid principal and payment of interest.

The Borrower may pay off ("Prepay") all or any part of the loan at any time following delivery of written notice to NMED of Borrower's election to Prepay, specifying the principal amount to be prepaid, together with interest thereon accrued to the date of prepayment.

D. ACTUAL LOAN AMOUNT DISBURSED

(i) If the loan amount disbursed is less than the amount in Section III. Loan Amount, then the Final Loan Agreement and the Final Promissory Note shall reflect actual loan disbursements. If the Borrower does not pay the Project Interest within two weeks of receiving notice of final loan amount from the NMED, then the accrued Project Interest shall be incorporated into the principal amount in the Final Promissory Note.

(ii) At the Borrower's request, NMED will reallocate unused loan amounts for other eligible projects of the Borrower, and will either amend an existing loan agreement and note ("Loan Documentation") or enter into new Loan Documentation with Borrower reflecting the reallocation of unused proceeds for other eligible purposes. Borrower shall be responsible for determining that funds pledged for repayment in connection with such Loan Documentation is from an appropriate source.

(iii) Within the State and Federal requirements applicable to the Loan Agreement, NMED intends to utilize amounts repaid by Borrower hereunder to provide additional loans to Borrower for eligible purposes, at Borrower's request.

E. SECURITY – PLEDGED FUNDS

The Borrower is giving a security interest by dedicating the Pledged Funds. The Pledged Funds are defined as (1) Net Revenues of the Wastewater Utility System owned and operated by the City of Santa Fe, and (2) Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, as more specifically defined in the Covenants and Provisions Applicable to Net Wastewater Utility System Revenue / Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Debt Obligations, attached hereto as Attachment 1 ("Attachment 1"), which are hereby incorporated in this Agreement.

Except as stated in Attachment 1, the Pledged Funds have not been pledged to the payment of any outstanding obligations and no other obligations are payable from the Pledged Funds on the date of the Ordinance. The loan will be payable and collectible solely from the Pledged Funds.

F. DEFAULT AND LATE CHARGES

Failure by the Borrower to pay the annual payments as set forth in the Final Loan Agreement and Final Promissory Note shall constitute an event of default. Late charges may be assessed at the discretion of NMED. See VI. COVENANTS, Sections H and I for default procedures.

G. DEMAND FEATURE

This Agreement has a demand feature in the event of default and the total principal and interest due shall be paid on demand. See VI. COVENANTS Sections H and I for default procedures.

H. NO DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FUND OR MATCHING REQUIREMENTS.

Borrower shall not be required to establish a debt service reserve fund or to provide matching funds pursuant to this Agreement. In lieu of debt service reserve fund requirements, Borrower shall comply with the Rate Covenant herein. See VI, COVENANTS Section E.

IV. Project Conditions:

A. After the date of this Agreement, but prior to NMED's approval of the Contract Documents, for any phase, the Borrower's attorney shall provide an opinion satisfactory to NMED that the Borrower is an incorporated entity.

B. Upon execution of this Agreement, the Borrower shall follow the procedures listed below unless waived in writing by NMED. Disbursement by NMED may be withheld if any of these procedures are not followed by the Borrower.

1. If these Funds are to be used for engineering and/or other professional services, the Borrower shall submit documentation regarding the hiring process to be used and the (RFP), to NMED for review and approval prior to selecting engineering and/or other professional services. An RFP for engineering services and/or other professional services must comply with the New Mexico Procurement Code. NMSA 1978, Sections 13-1-21 et seq. Engineering Services must be chosen based on a qualification-based request for proposal process regardless of the anticipated cost. A minimum of three proposers must be interviewed as part of the selection process. The Borrower is also required to contact

the Professional Technical Advisory Board (PTAB) for assistance in the preparation of the RFP package. (PTAB email ptab@acecnm.org.)

2. If these Funds are to be used for engineering and/or other

professional services, the Borrower shall submit a draft form of any engineering agreement and/or other professional services contract, or a letter certifying that the Borrower's staff will perform the engineering and/or other professional services, to NMED for review and approval prior to executing the agreement/contract or using Borrower's staff. The preferred engineering agreement format is the "Publicly Funded Project" form prepared by NMED and posted on the website at https://www.env.nm.gov/construction-programs/cpb-forms-and- documents-2/.

3. If these Funds are to be used for engineering design or for construction, the Borrower shall submit all plans, specifications, and any addenda for this project to NMED for review and approval before the project is advertised for construction bids. Plans, specifications, and addenda shall be prepared by a registered New Mexico Professional Engineer.

4. Following NMED approval of the proposed award, the Borrower shall submit to NMED for review the notice of the award and the minutes of meeting in which award was made, the notice of a pre-construction conference, a copy of the executed construction contract documents (including payment and performance bonds), and the notice to contractor to proceed. The selected contractor will be required to post a performance and payment bond in accordance with requirements of NMSA 1978, Section 13-4-18.

5. The selected contractor will be required to submit a construction schedule to the Borrower at the pre-construction conference.

6. The Borrower will submit all modifications to plans and contract by change orders to the NMED project manager promptly for review and approval prior to implementation of such modification or change. NMED's written decision approving or disapproving the modification shall be rendered promptly to the Borrower. If immediate action is needed, a verbal notification of NMED's decision will be made, followed by written notification.

7. The Borrower shall provide a full-time construction inspector during construction of the project. The Borrower shall submit the inspector's résumé and inspection reports to NMED for review and approval.

8. NMED shall have the right to examine all installations comprising the project, including materials delivered and stored on-site for use on the project. Such examinations will not be considered an inspection for compliance with contract plans.

9. NMED may require proof of deposit and/or proof of payments to contractors and consultants, including the disbursement of funds other than those provided by the Agreement.

10. The Borrower (or the system owner) shall employ properly certified utility operators and shall comply with all provisions of the New Mexico Utility Operators Certification Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 61- 33-1 et seq.

11. With the exception of easements (See Section V.H), when real property is acquired by the Borrower, either through purchase or donation as a part of this project and within the project period, the Borrower will submit documentation of the acquisition to NMED, including a legal description of the property, the date the property will be acquired, evidence of clear title, and an appraisal report prepared by a qualified appraiser who was selected through applicable procurement procedures. These documents must be reviewed and approved by NMED prior to the acquisition of any real property. After real property acquisition, the Borrower will make available to NMED all documents of title pertaining to the acquired property and all easements or rights- of-way necessary for the completion of work under this agreement.

12. If the Funds are to be used for construction of wastewater collection lines or water distribution lines, the existing population served by the project shall be connected to the collection system or distribution system within a reasonable time after project completion. This will be accomplished by adoption and annual review of an Ordinance/Resolution and user charge system or other legal documents or other official act requiring such connection to the system, to the extent permitted by law.

13. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement the Borrower shall comply with the Prompt Payment Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 5728-1 et seq. The Project will not be considered complete until the work as defined in this Agreement has been fully performed, and finally and unconditionally accepted by the Borrower and NMED.

14. If the Funds are to be used for construction, final disbursement will be made after the final inspection has been conducted by NMED and the following items, unless waived by NMED, have been provided to NMED, and have been reviewed and approved by NMED:

    a) Operation and maintenance manuals or a letter from the owner certifying receipt and acceptance of the operation and maintenance manuals.

    b) A final reimbursement request including the final certified construction pay request prepared by the Borrower's project engineer and approved by the Borrower.

    c) A certificate of substantial completion including punch list items.

    d) A letter certifying project acceptance by the Borrower and the Borrower's project engineer stating that work has been satisfactorily completed and the construction contractor has fulfilled all of the obligations required under the contract documents with the Borrower, or if payment and materials performance bonds are "called", an acceptance close-out settlement to the Borrower and contractors will be submitted to NMED for final review and approval.

    e) Certification letter by the Borrower that the Labor Standards Contract Provisions have been met.

    f) Record drawings prepared by the Borrower's project engineer or a letter from the owner certifying receipt and acceptance of the record drawings.

    g) Complete and legally effective releases or waivers (satisfactory to the Borrower) of all liens arising out of the contract documents and the labor services performed and the materials and equipment furnished thereunder. In lieu thereof and as approved by the Borrower, contractor(s) may furnish receipts or releases in full an affidavit of contractor that the releases and receipts include labor, services, materials, and equipment for which a lien could be filed and that all payrolls, material and equipment bills, and other indebtedness connected with the work for which the Borrower or its property might in any way be responsible,

have been paid or otherwise satisfied.

h) A written consent of the surety, if any, to final payment; and

i) Borrower's ledger sheets including all payments made by the Borrower may be requested with the final disbursement request and before the final disbursement request can be processed by NMED.

j) Verification to NMED of FSP and written certification that a FSP is in place.

15. The Borrower must ensure that each procurement contract contain the following term and condition: The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of the contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 40 CFR part 33 in the award and administration of contracts awarded under EPA financial assistance agreements. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of the contract which may result in the termination of the contract or other legally available remedies.

16. The Borrower shall require the Contractor of the Project to post a performance and payment bond approved by NMED in the amount of the bid.

17. Bid tabulation and supporting documents (Contract Documents) shall be prepared and furnished to NMED within fifteen (15) days of bid opening. The Borrower shall not proceed with construction of the Project until NMED has approved the Contract Documents.

18. Any change order to the Project construction contract which results in a change to the Project's contract amount, scope of work, or schedule must be approved by NMED.

19. Borrower agrees to implement environmental recommendations that will be supplied by NMED prior to final Plan approval.

20. The Borrower must submit all work related to easements, rights-of-ways, other property rights, and financing provisions associated with the project to NMED for review prior to advertising for construction. The Borrower must certify in writing that this has been done prior to the award of the construction contract. A site certificate addressing the property upon or through which the facility is being constructed and prepared by the

Borrower's attorney is required.

21. The Borrower agrees to obtain a single audit annually from an Independent Professional Auditor.

22. The Borrower shall achieve Project Completion by the end of the loan agreement term. Project Completion means the date the operations of the completed works are initiated or capable of being initiated, whichever is earlier. This also applies to individual phases or segments.

23. If the Borrower is unable to complete the project by the loan termination date, the Borrower must notify NMED at least 30 days prior to the loan termination date, otherwise, NMED may terminate this Agreement or may withhold Funds. If NMED terminates this Agreement, the Borrower shall refund any Funds disbursed to the Borrower by NMED within ninety (90) days of termination.

V. General Conditions:

A. This Agreement is made pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Wastewater Facility Construction Loan Act, NMSA 1978, § 74-6A-1 et seq., as amended, the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations,
20.7.5 NMAC, and the New Mexico Environment Department Regulations, 20.7.6 –20.7.7 NMAC.

B. Pursuant to the Ordinance of the Borrower, the Borrower is authorized to enter into this Agreement and the Final Loan Agreement and to execute and deliver an Interim Promissory Note and Final Promissory Note. The terms of the Ordinance and Interim Promissory Note are incorporated as part of this Agreement as though fully set forth in this Agreement.

C. For the purposes of this Agreement, NMED's inspection, review and approval of the Project are only for the purposes of determining compliance with applicable State regulations. NMED approval shall not be interpreted as any warranty or guarantee. Approval of the plans and design of the Project means only that plans are complete. NMED will bring to the Borrower's attention any obvious defects in the Project's design, materials, or workmanship, but all such defects and their correction shall be the responsibility of the Borrower and its contractors. Any questions raised by NMED shall be resolved exclusively by the Borrower and its contractors, who shall remain responsible for the completion and success of the Project.

D. The Borrower warrants, represents and agrees that it, and its contractors,

subcontractors, employees, and representatives will comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, and the requirements set forth in this Agreement or any amendment to the Agreement.

E. If the Borrower seeks additional funding from any other entity for the Project, the Borrower agrees that the Borrower is solely responsible for satisfying any requirements arising as a result of funding from that other entity.

F. The Borrower warrants that the internal financial statements provided to NMED by the Borrower for approval of the loan do not contain false material statements, representations, certifications, or omissions of material fact.

G. The Borrower shall submit all future audited financial reports to the State Auditor as required by the State Auditor's Rules.

H. The proceeds of the loan shall be used for the Project and for no other purpose. Unallowable uses of the proceeds of the loan include but are not limited to paying administrative expenses (including applications for funding), costs of Borrower employees, late fees, interest, or penalties. Those costs shall be paid by the Borrower.

I. The parties agree that allowable costs will be limited to those costs that are necessary, reasonable, and related to the efficient achievement of the objectives of this Agreement. The Borrower must justify all expenditures for which it requests reimbursement, according to accepted NMED criteria and procedures. NMED may withhold reimbursement of any item or expenditure and may reclaim improperly documented reimbursement until the Borrower provides sufficient justification. NMED may not disburse any loan funds if the Borrower fails to adhere to the schedule described in Section IV. above.

J. For any phase of the Project which requires National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review, NMED shall not disburse any funds for that phase until a NEPA review is completed.

K. The Borrower agrees to abide by all required Equal Employment Opportunity laws, both State and Federal.

L. The Borrower agrees that it will take affirmative action to ensure that the Project is constructed in compliance with Federal and State occupational health and safety laws and that inspectors authorized by NMED's

Occupational Health and Safety Bureau will be given free access to the Project sites.

M. The Borrower agrees to make all fiscal records related to the Project available to NMED, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the United States General Accounting Office (GAO), and the State Auditor for inspection and audit.

N. The obligations of the Borrower under the Agreement are the special limited obligations of the Borrower as set forth in the Agreement and the Note. The Agreement and the Note shall not constitute indebtedness or debt within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory provision, or limitation, nor shall the Agreement and Note be considered or held to be a general obligation of the Borrower. The obligations of the Borrower under the Agreement and Note are payable and collectible solely out of the Pledged Funds as defined in the Agreement, and NMED or any other holders of the Agreement or Note may not look to any general or municipal fund for the payment due on the Agreement or Note.

O. The Borrower agrees to operate and maintain the Project so that the Project will function properly over the structural and material design life of the Project.

P. The loan will not be used by the Borrower on any project constructed in fulfillment, in whole or in part, of requirements made of a subdivider by the provisions of the Land Subdivision Act, NMSA 1978, § 47-5-1 to 47-5-8 NMSA 1978.

Q. The Borrower understands and agrees that the Project is subject to Federal and State regulations and acceptance of any disbursement pursuant to the Agreement constitutes an agreement by the Borrower that the amounts have been properly accounted for and expended in accordance with applicable Federal and State regulations.

R. The Borrower agrees to maintain separate Project accounts in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) including standards relating to the reporting of infrastructure assets. If requested by NMED, the Borrower shall conduct an audit of the financial records pertaining to the Project.

VI. Covenants:

Attachment 1 (Covenants and Provisions Applicable to Net Wastewater Utility System Revenue Debt Obligations ("System Covenants")) is hereby incorporated hereinbelow and shall be controlling in the event of inconsistency between the System Covenants and the following covenants, but only to the extent of such inconsistency.

A. (i) Disbursements (payment of loan funds) to the Borrower made pursuant to the Agreement will be available on and after the date of the execution of the Agreement and Note if the Borrower is compliant with the Conditions and Covenants of the Agreement. Disbursements will be made only for actual costs incurred by the Borrower to plan, design, construct or acquire the Project, or any phase thereof. The Borrower shall request disbursements on forms acceptable to NMED on at least a quarterly basis and such requests shall be prepared by and certified by the Borrower. All disbursements to the Borrower will be made in accordance with applicable Federal and State regulations. Eligible planning, design and associated pre-building costs that are within the scope of the project and were incurred prior to signing the Agreement are payable under the Agreement and shall be submitted for reimbursement immediately upon execution of the Agreement. Interim disbursements will be made as the work progresses. Interim disbursement requests shall be submitted by the Borrower within ninety (90) days after the liability of the Borrower was incurred as evidenced by the date of the invoice for which disbursement is being requested. NMED shall use commercially reasonable efforts to disburse loan proceeds, or to notify Borrower that the disbursement request is incomplete or otherwise unsatisfactory, within 10 business days after receiving a disbursement request from Borrower.

(ii) NMED will compensate Borrower for the actual and reasonable costs of employing personnel (which may be a current employee of Borrower) tasked with assisting Borrower in preparing, documenting and submitting disbursement requests, and working with NMED to resolve issues relating thereto ("Disbursement Request Administration"). Reimbursement of the Borrower by NMED for the Borrower's actual and reasonable costs of employing such personnel is conditioned on the Borrower providing reasonably detailed, contemporaneous time records describing the activities of such personnel in connection with Disbursement Request Administration as part of each disbursement request. [Such costs [will] [will not] be paid from loan proceeds.]

B. The Borrower shall not sell, lease, or transfer any property related to the Project except as permitted by the Ordinance/Resolution, as amended, and supplemented.

C. The Borrower shall not obligate the Pledged Funds for this Agreement except as set forth in the Ordinance as adopted at the time of execution of the Agreement.

D. The Borrower hereby irrevocably agrees that the Borrower has fixed and collected, or will fix and collect, adequate rates, fees, and other charges for the use of the System (as defined in the Ordinance) which will be sufficient to satisfy the Agreement and the Note.

E. If the pledged funds shall prove insufficient to produce the Repayments set forth herein and in the Interim and Final Promissory Note, the Borrower agrees to adjust and increase such rates, fees, and charges in the manner authorized by law to provide funds sufficient to produce the repayment of the loan set forth herein and in the Interim and Final Promissory Note, as set forth in the Rate Covenant in the System Covenants.

F. The Borrower shall not provide any free services of the Wastewater System. The Borrower shall, to the full extent permitted by law, collect payment for wastewater services provided. The Borrower shall notify NMED should delinquent users impact their ability to service this agreement as defined.

G. The Borrower shall maintain property, liability and fidelity insurance coverage on the Project as required by NMED and provide written proof of such insurance coverage to NMED.

H. The following shall constitute an event of default under the Agreement:

1. The failure by the Borrower to pay the annual payment on the repayment of the loan set forth in the Agreement and Interim and Final Promissory Notes when due and payable either at maturity or otherwise or

2. Default by the Borrower in any of its covenants or conditions set forth under the Agreement (other than a default set forth in the previous clause of this section) for 60 days after NMED has given written notice to the Borrower specifying such default and requiring the same to be remedied.

I. Upon occurrence of an event of default:

1. The entire unpaid amount of the Agreement and Interim and Final Promissory Note may be declared by the NMED to be immediately due and payable, and the Borrower shall pay the amounts due under the Agreement and Interim and Final Promissory Note from the Pledged Funds, either immediately or in the manner required by NMED in its declaration.

2. If the event of default is under clause one of Subsection H, NMED is authorized to set wastewater user rates in the area of the Borrower's jurisdiction in order to provide sufficient money for repayment, on scheduled due dates of the loan and proper operation and maintenance of the System. Funds sufficient to provide for repayment, on scheduled due dates of the loan and proper operation and maintenance of the System shall be identified through a rate-setting analysis that will ensure enough revenue to cover yearly expenses and emergencies, a reserve fund for non-major capital items and equitable pay for staff. The rate-setting analysis may be reviewed and changed on a yearly basis if necessary.

3. If default by the Borrower is of covenants or conditions required under the Agreement, the Borrower may be required to refund the amount of the loan disbursed to the Borrower from NMED.

4. NMED shall have no further obligation to make disbursements to the Borrower under the Agreement and may pursue any other appropriate remedies.

J. NMED retains the right to seek enforcement of the terms of the Agreement. If the parties cannot reach agreement regarding disputes as to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, such disputes are to be resolved in the district court of Santa Fe County. The parties agree that the district court for

Santa Fe County shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this Agreement and waive the right to challenge such jurisdiction.

K. This Agreement, the Ordinance and the Note incorporate all the agreements, covenants and understandings between the parties concerning the subject matter hereof, and all such covenants, agreements and understandings have been merged into this written Agreement, the Ordinance, and the Note. No prior agreement or understanding, verbal or otherwise, of the parties or their agents shall be valid or enforceable unless embodied in the Agreement, the Ordinance, and the Note.

L. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Borrower, NMED and their respective successors. The rights and obligations under the Agreement and Interim and Final Promissory Note may not be assigned by the Borrower.

M. No change shall be made to the Agreement or the Interim and Final Promissory Note except in writing signed by NMED and the Borrower.

CWSRF FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS: APPLIES TO ALL PROJECTS

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Agreement Provision LA 1: Anti-Discrimination Laws (Super Cross- Cutters)

All recipients of CWSRF financial assistance are required to comply with the following provisions:

Civil Rights Laws (i.e., Super Crosscutters)

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d
- Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U.S.C. § 1251
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. § 6102

These four laws prohibit discrimination in the provision of services or benefits, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age, in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance. All recipients of CWSRF financial assistance must agree, and required their contractors and subcontractors to agree, not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age.

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Agreement Provision LA2: Generally Accepted Governmental Accounting

All recipients of CWSRF financial assistance (Assistance Recipients) are required to comply with the following provisions:

Section 602(b)(9) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA) states:

(9) the State will require as a condition of making a loan or providing other assistance, as described in section 603(d) of this Act, from the fund that the recipient of such assistance will maintain project accounts in accordance with generally accepted government accounting standards, including standards relating to the reporting of infrastructure assets

The most recent applicable standard is GASB Statement No. 34 (GASB 34), issued in June 1999, which details governmental reporting requirements including standards for reporting of infrastructure assets. Further details on the requirements, as well as the full text of GASB 34, can be obtained through the GASB. CWSRF assistance recipients that follow GAAP standards other than GASB 34 are still required to maintain project accounts according to GAAP and apply GAAP standards for reporting on infrastructure assets.

Pursuant to Section 602(b)(9) of the FWPCA, all CWSRF Assistance Recipients must agree to maintain project accounts according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using standards relating to the reporting of infrastructure assets.

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Agreement Provision LA13: Useful Life Requirement

All recipients of CWSRF financial assistance are required to comply with the following provisions:

Section 603(d)(1)(A) of the Clean Water Act (as amended) restricts the terms of CWSRF loans to the lesser of 30 years or the useful life of the project. All applicants for CWSRF financial assistance agree to provide an engineer's estimate of the useful life of project components to be funded by the CWSRF.

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Agreement Provision LA14 Office of Inspector General Posting

The US Environmental Protection Agency requires that contracts exceeding $1,000,0000 prominently display the Office of the Inspector General Hotline poster within contractor work areas and facilities where work is performed.

Posters may be obtained at: https://www.epa.gov/office-inspector-general/poster-report-fraud-waste-and-abuse-epa-oig-hotlineThe parties have executed this Agreement on the dates set forth by their respective names.

LA 18 Cost and Effectiveness—Government Requirement

Under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA) section 602(b)(13), the CWSRF program requires that all assistance recipients certify that they have conducted the studies and evaluations described in 602(b) (13 (A) and (B) herein referred to collectively as a cost and effectiveness analysis. The statute requires that a cost and effectiveness analysis involve, at a minimum:

- the study and evaluation of the cost and effectiveness of the processes, materials, techniques, and technologies for conducting the proposed project or activity for which assistance is sought under this title; and
- the selection, to the maximum extent practicable, of a project or activity that maximizes the potential for efficient water use, reuse, recapture, and conservation, and energy conservation, considering—
    - the cost of constructing the project or activity.
    - the cost of operating and maintaining the project or activity over the life of the project or activity; and
    - the cost of replacing the project or activity.

CWSRF FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS: APPLIES ONLY TO TREATMENT WORKS PROJECTS

(UV Disinfection and Sewer Line Repair):

AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL (AIS) REQUIREMENTS

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (P.L. 92-500) Section 608 requires Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) assistance recipients to use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States for projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works.

The Act states:

> SEC. 608. REQUIREMENTS.
> *(a)* IN GENERAL.—Funds made available from a State water pollution control revolving fund established under this title may not be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of treatment works unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.
> *(b)* DEFINITION OF IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS.—In this section, the term `iron and steel products' means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, construction materials.
> *(c)* APPLICATION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the Administrator finds that—
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> (1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest.
> (2) iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or
> (3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.
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> *(d)* WAIVER.—If the Administrator receives a request for a waiver under this section, the Administrator shall make available to the public, on an informal basis, a copy of the request and information available to the Administrator concerning the request and shall allow for informal public input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall make the request and accompanying information available by electronic means, including on the official public Internet site of the Environmental Protection Agency.
> *(e)* INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.
> *(f)* MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT.—The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent of the funds appropriated for this title for management and oversight of the requirements of this section.
> *(g)* EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section does not apply with respect to a project if a State agency approves the engineering plans and specifications for the project, in that

agency's capacity to approve such plans and specifications prior to a project requesting bids, prior to the date of enactment of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014.

AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL (AIS) GUIDANCE

The following guidance excerpt has been provided from EPA:

(Complete guidance may be downloaded from: https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund- american-iron-and-steel-ais- requirement)

Covered Iron and Steel Products

11) What is an iron or steel product?

For purposes of the CWSRF and DWSRF projects that must comply with the AIS requirement, an iron or steel product is one of the following made primarily of iron or steel that is permanently incorporated into the public water system or treatment works:
Lined or unlined pipes or fittings;
Manhole Covers.
Municipal Castings (defined in more detail below),
Hydrants.
Tanks;
Flanges.
Pipe clamps and restraints; Valves.
Structural steel (defined in more detail below);
Reinforced precast concrete; and
Construction materials (defined in more detail below).

12) What does the term 'primarily iron or steel' mean?

'Primarily iron or steel' places constraints on the list of products above. For one of the listed products to be considered subject to the AIS requirements, it must be made of greater than 50% iron or steel, measured by cost. The cost should be based on the material costs.

13) Can you provide an example of how to perform a cost determination?

For example, the iron portion of a fire hydrant would likely be the bonnet, body and shoe, and the cost then would include the pouring and casting to create those components. The other material costs would include non-iron and steel internal workings of the fire hydrant (i.e., stem coupling, valve, seals, etc.).
However, the assembly of the internal workings into the hydrant body would not be included in this cost calculation. If one of the listed products is not made primarily of iron or steel, United States (US) provenance is not required. An exception to this definition is reinforced precast concrete, which is addressed in a later question.

14) If a product is composed of more than 50% iron or steel, but is not listed in the above list of items, must the item be produced in the US? Alternatively, must the iron or steel in such a product

be produced in the US?

The answer to both question is no. Only items on the above list must be produced in the US. Additionally, the iron or steel in a non-listed item can be sourced from outside the US.

15) What is the definition of steel?

Steel means an alloy that includes at least 50 percent iron, between .02 and 2 percent carbon, and may include other elements. Metallic elements such as chromium, nickel, molybdenum, manganese, and silicon may be added during the melting of steel for the purpose of enhancing properties such as corrosion resistance, hardness, or strength. The definition of steel covers carbon steel, alloy steel, stainless steel, tool steel and other specialty steels.

16) What does 'produced in the United States' mean?

Production in the United States of the iron or steel products used in the project requires that all manufacturing processes, including application of coatings, must take place in the United States, with the exception of metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives. All manufacturing processes includes processes such as melting, refining, forming, rolling, drawing, finishing, fabricating and coating. Further, if a domestic iron and steel product is taken out of the US for any part of the manufacturing process, it becomes foreign source material. However, raw materials such as iron ore, limestone and iron and steel scrap are not covered by the AIS requirement, and the material(s), if any, being applied as a coating are similarly not covered. Non-iron or steel components of an iron and steel product may come from non-US sources. For example, for products such as valves and hydrants, the individual non-iron and steel components do not have to be of domestic origin.

17) Are the raw materials used in the production of iron or steel required to come from US sources?

No. Raw materials, such as iron ore, limestone, scrap iron, and scrap steel, can come from non-US sources.

18) If an above listed item is primarily made of iron or steel, but is only at the construction site temporarily, must such an item be produced in the US?

No. Only the above listed products made primarily of iron or steel, permanently incorporated into the project must be produced in the US. For example, trench boxes, scaffolding or equipment, which are removed from the project site upon completion of the project, are not required to be made of U.S. Iron or Steel.

19) What is the definition of 'municipal castings?

Municipal castings are cast iron or steel infrastructure products that are melted and cast. They typically provide access, protection, or housing for components incorporated into utility owned drinking water, storm water, wastewater, and surface infrastructure. They are typically made of grey or ductile iron, or steel. Examples of municipal castings are:

Access Hatches;
Ballast Screen.
Benches (Iron or Steel);
Bollards.
Cast Bases.
Cast Iron Hinged Hatches, Square and
Rectangular; Cast Iron Riser Rings.
Catch Basin Inlet;
Cleanout/Monument Boxes;
Construction Covers and Frames;
Curb and Corner Guards.
Curb Openings.
Detectable Warning Plates;
Downspout Shoes (Boot,
Inlet).
Drainage Grates, Frames and Curb Inlets;
Inlets.
Junction
Boxes.
Lampposts.
Manhole Covers, Rings and Frames, Risers,
Meter Boxes.
Service Boxes.
Steel Hinged Hatches, Square and Rectangular;
Steel Riser Rings.
Trash
receptacles;
Tree Grates.
Tree Guards;
Trench Grates;
and
Valve Boxes, Covers and Risers.

20) What is 'structural steel'?

Structural steel is rolled flanged shapes, having at least one dimension of their cross-section three inches or greater, which are used in the construction of bridges, buildings, ships, railroad rolling stock, and for numerous other constructional purposes. Such shapes are designated as wide-flange shapes, standard I-beams, channels, angles, tees and zees. Other shapes include H-piles, sheet piling, tie plates, cross ties, and those for other special purposes.

21) What is a 'construction material' for purposes of the AIS requirement?

Construction materials are those articles, materials, or supplies made primarily of iron and steel, that are permanently incorporated into the project, not including mechanical and/or electrical

components, equipment and systems. Some of these products may overlap with what is also considered "structural steel". This includes, but is not limited to, the following products: wire rod, bar, angles, concrete reinforcing bar, wire, wire cloth, wire rope and cables, tubing, framing, joists, trusses, fasteners (i.e., nuts and bolts), welding rods, decking, grating, railings, stairs, access ramps, fire escapes, ladders, wall panels, dome structures, roofing, ductwork, surface drains, cable hanging systems, manhole steps, fencing and fence tubing, guardrails, doors, and stationary screens.

22) What is not considered a 'construction material' for purposes of the AIS requirement?

Mechanical and electrical components, equipment and systems are not considered construction materials. Mechanical equipment is typically that which has motorized parts and/or is powered by a motor. Electrical equipment is typically any machine powered by electricity and includes components that are part of the electrical distribution system. The following examples (including their appurtenances necessary for their intended use and operation) are NOT considered construction materials: pumps, motors, gear reducers, drives (including variable frequency drives (VFDs)), electric/pneumatic/manual accessories used to operate valves (such as electric valve actuators), mixers, gates, motorized screens (such as traveling screens), blowers/aeration equipment, compressors, meters, sensors, controls and switches, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA), membrane bioreactor systems, membrane filtration systems, filters, clarifiers and clarifier mechanisms, rakes, grinders, disinfection systems, presses (including belt presses), conveyors, cranes, HVAC (excluding ductwork), water heaters,
heat exchangers, generators, cabinetry and housings (such as electrical boxes/enclosures), lighting fixtures, electrical conduit, emergency life systems, metal office furniture, shelving, laboratory equipment, analytical instrumentation, and dewatering equipment.

23) If the iron or steel is produced in the US, may other steps in the manufacturing process take place outside of the US, such as assembly?

No. Production in the US of the iron or steel used in a listed product requires that all manufacturing processes must take place in the United States, except metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives.

24) What processes must occur in the US to be compliant with the AIS requirement for reinforced precast concrete?

While reinforced precast concrete may not be at least 50% iron or steel, in this particular case, the reinforcing bar and wire must be produced in the US and meet the same standards as for any other iron or steel product. Additionally, the casting of the concrete product must take place in the US. The cement and other raw materials used in concrete production are not required to be of domestic origin.

If the reinforced concrete is cast at the construction site, the reinforcing bar and wire are considered to be a construction material and must be produced in the US.

<u>Certification and Compliance</u>

NMED Form #C4 "American Iron and Steel (AIS) Certification" must be executed and included in the bid package. Failure to complete the certification will result the bid being returned. The contractor will

supply to the loan recipient manufacturers' certifications for each iron and steel item documenting/asserting that all manufacturing processes occurred in the United States. Such certifications will be submitted with shop drawings.

Waiver Process

The statute permits EPA to issue waivers for a case or category of cases where EPA finds (1) that applying these requirements would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron and steel products are not produced in the US in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the US will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

In order to implement the AIS requirements, EPA has developed an approach to allow for effective and efficient implementation of the waiver process to allow projects to proceed in a timely manner. The framework is described in the guidance document found at: https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/american-iron-and-steel-requirement-waiver-process

Approved and denied waivers may be reviewed at: https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/american-iron-and- steel-requirement-approved-project-waivers and https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/american-iron-and- steel-requirement-withdrawn-or-denied-waivers

De Minimis Materials Waiver

The EPA has granted a nationwide waiver of the AIS requirements of the Consolidated Appropriations Act under the authority of Section 436(b)(1) (public interest waiver) for de minimis incidental components of eligible infrastructure projects. For many of these incidental components, the country of manufacture and the availability of alternatives is not always readily or reasonably identifiable prior to procurement in the normal course of business; for other incidental components, the country of manufacture may be known but the miscellaneous character in conjunction with the low cost, individually and (in total) as typically procured in bulk, mark them as properly incidental. Examples of incidental components could include small washers, screws, fasteners (i.e., nuts and bolts), miscellaneous wire, corner bead, ancillary tube, etc. Examples of items that are clearly not incidental include significant process fittings (i.e., tees, elbows, flanges, and brackets), distribution system fittings and valves, force main valves, pipes for sewer collection and/or water distribution, treatment and storage tanks, large structural support structures, etc.

Funds used for such de minimis incidental components cumulatively may comprise no more than a total of 5 percent of the total cost of the total materials used in and incorporated into a project; the cost of an individual item may not exceed 1 percent of the total cost of the total materials used in and incorporated into a project. Contractors who wish to use this waiver should determine the costs of all items installed or supplied for the project. The contractor must retain relevant documentation (i.e., invoices) for each of these items in their project files and must summarize the

items in monthly draw requests to the owner: the total cost of all materials, the total cost of "incidental" materials, and the calculations by which they determined the percentage of incidental products installed or supplied for the project. None of the products specifically listed as "Covered Iron and Steel Products" are incidental, nor are the products identified in detail in the technical specifications.

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Agreement Provision LA9 Environmental Review Requirements

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act section 511(c)(1) applies the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to assistance for the construction of treatment works. All CWSRF-funded projects involving the construction of treatment works, regardless of the source of the funding, must undergo an environmental review following the procedures in NMED's State Environmental Review Process.

Assistance recipients ("sub-recipients") for CWSRF-funded treatment works projects are required to comply with Section 513 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (P.L. 92-500, as amended by the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014) requiring all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors working on treatment works to be paid prevailing wages as determined by the Secretary of Labor. It is considered a Davis-Bacon related Act.

DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENT (GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES)

1. Applicability of the Davis- Bacon (DB) prevailing wage requirements.

Under the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (WRRDA), DB prevailing wage requirements apply to the construction, alteration, and repair of treatment works carried out in whole or in part with assistance made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund. If a sub-recipient encounters a unique situation at a site that presents uncertainties regarding DB applicability, the sub-recipient must discuss the situation with NMED before authorizing work on that site.

2. Obtaining Wage Determinations.

(a) Sub-recipients shall obtain the wage determination for the locality in which a covered activity subject to DB will take place prior to issuing requests for bids, proposals, quotes or other methods for soliciting contracts (solicitation) for activities subject to DB. These wage determinations shall be incorporated into solicitations and any subsequent contracts. Prime contracts must contain a provision requiring that subcontractors follow the wage determination incorporated into the prime contract.

(i) While the solicitation remains open, the sub-recipient shall monitor https://beta.sam.gov/ weekly to ensure that the wage determination contained in the solicitation remains current. The sub-recipients shall amend the solicitation if DOL issues a modification more than 10 days prior to the closing date (i.e. bid opening) for the solicitation. If DOL modifies or supersedes the applicable wage determination less than 10 days prior to the closing date, the sub-recipients may request a finding from the State recipient that there is not a reasonable time to notify interested contractors of the modification of the wage determination. The State recipient will provide a report of its findings to the sub-recipient.

(ii) If the sub-recipient does not award the contract within 90 days of the closure of the solicitation, any modifications or supersedes DOL makes to the wage determination contained in the solicitation shall be effective unless the State recipient, at the request of the sub-recipient, obtains an extension of the 90 day period from DOL pursuant to 29 CFR 1.6(c)(3)(iv). The sub-recipient shall monitor https://beta.sam.gov/ on a weekly basis if it does not award the contract within 90 days of closure of the solicitation to ensure that wage determinations contained in the solicitation remain current.

(b) If the sub-recipient carries out activity subject to DB by issuing a task order, work assignment or similar instrument to an existing contractor (ordering instrument) rather than by publishing a solicitation, the sub-recipient shall insert the appropriate DOL wage determination from https://beta.sam.gov/ into the ordering instrument.

(c) Sub-recipients shall review all subcontracts subject to DB entered into by prime contractors to verify

that the prime contractor has required its subcontractors to include the applicable wage determinations.

(d) As provided in 29 CFR 1.6(f), DOL may issue a revised wage determination applicable to a sub-recipient's contract after the award of a contract or the issuance of an ordering instrument if DOL determines that the sub-recipient has failed to incorporate a wage determination or has used a wage determination that clearly does not apply to the contract or ordering instrument. If this occurs, the sub-recipient shall either terminate the contract or ordering instrument and issue a revised solicitation or ordering instrument or incorporate DOL's wage determination retroactive to the beginning of the contract or ordering instrument by change order. The sub-recipient's contractor must be compensated for any increases in wages resulting from the use of DOL's revised wage determination.

3. Contract and Subcontract provisions.

(a) The Recipient shall insure that the sub-recipient(s) shall insert in full in any contract in excess of $2,000 which is entered into for the actual construction, alteration and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of a treatment work under the CWSRF - financed in whole or in part from Federal funds or in accordance with guarantees of a Federal agency or financed from funds obtained by pledge of any contract of a Federal agency to make a loan, grant or annual contribution (except where a different meaning is expressly indicated), and which is subject to the labor standards provisions of any of the acts listed in § 5.1 or -FY 2014 Water Resource Reform and Development Act, the following clauses:

(1) Minimum wages.

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in § 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

Sub-recipients may obtain wage determinations from the U.S. Department of Labor's web site,

www.dol.gov.

(ii)(A) The sub-recipient(s), on behalf of EPA, shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination, and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The State award official shall approve a request for an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

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

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

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

(B) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the sub-recipient(s) agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), documentation of the action taken and the request, including the local wage determination shall be sent by the sub-recipient (s) to the State award official. The State award official will transmit the request, to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210 and to the EPA DB Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification request within 30 days of receipt and so advise the State award official or will notify the State award official within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the sub-recipient(s) do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the award official shall refer the request and the local wage determination, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the State award official, to the Administrator for determination. The request shall be sent to the EPA DB Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt of the request and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii)(B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

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

(iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably

anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account asset for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

(2) Withholding. The sub-recipient(s), shall upon written request of the EPA Award Official or an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the (Agency) may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

(3) Payrolls and basic records.

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

(ii)(A) The contractor shall submit weekly, for each week in which any contract work is performed, a copy of all payrolls to the sub-recipient, that is, the entity that receives the sub-grant or loan from the State capitalization grant recipient. Such documentation shall be available on request of the State recipient or EPA. As to each payroll copy received, the sub-recipient shall provide written confirmation in a form satisfactory to the State indicating whether or not the project is in compliance with the requirements of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) based on the most recent payroll copies for the specified week. The payrolls shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on the weekly payrolls. Instead, the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for

this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at http://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site.

The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker and shall provide them upon request to the sub-recipient(s) for transmission to the State or EPA if requested by EPA, the State, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the sub-recipient(s).

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

(1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under § 5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under § 5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete.

(2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3.

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

(C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section.

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

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

(4) Apprentices and trainees

(i) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work

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

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

an acceptable program is approved.

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

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

(6) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the EPA determines may by appropriate, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

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

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

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

(10) Certification of eligibility.

(i) By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(iii)The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

4. Contract Provision for Contracts in Excess of $100,000.

(a) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The sub-recipient shall insert the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section in full in any contract in an amount in excess of $100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by Item 3, above or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, in the sum of $25 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

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

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

(b) In addition to the clauses contained in Item 3, above, in any contract subject only to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and not to any of the other statutes cited in 29 CFR 5.1, the Sub-recipient shall insert a clause requiring that the contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Further, the Sub-recipient shall insert in any such contract a clause providing hat the records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the (write the name of agency) and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

5. Compliance Verification

(a) The sub-recipient shall periodically interview a sufficient number of employees entitled to DB

prevailing wages (covered employees) to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates. As provided in 29 CFR 5.6(a)(3), all interviews must be conducted in confidence. The sub-recipient must use Standard Form 1445 (SF 1445) or equivalent documentation to memorialize the interviews. Copies of the SF 1445 are available from EPA on request.

(b) The sub-recipient shall establish and follow an interview schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. Sub-recipients must conduct more frequent interviews if the initial interviews or other information indicated that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. Sub-recipients shall immediately conduct interviews in response to an alleged violation of the prevailing wage requirements. All interviews shall be conducted in confidence.

(c) The sub-recipient shall periodically conduct spot checks of a representative sample of weekly payroll data to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates. The sub-recipient shall establish and follow a spot check schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. At a minimum, if practicable, the sub-recipient should spot check payroll data within two weeks of each contractor or subcontractor's submission of its initial payroll data and two weeks prior to the completion date the contract or subcontract. Sub-recipients must conduct more frequent spot checks if the initial spot check or other information indicates that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. In addition, during the examinations the sub-recipient shall verify evidence of fringe benefit plans and payments there under by contractors and subcontractors who claim credit for fringe benefit contributions.

(d) The sub-recipient shall periodically review contractors and subcontractors use of apprentices and trainees to verify registration and certification with respect to apprenticeship and training programs approved by either the U.S Department of Labor or a state, as appropriate, and that contractors and subcontractors are not using disproportionate numbers of, laborers, trainees and apprentices. These reviews shall be conducted in accordance with the schedules for spot checks and interviews described in Item 5(b) and (c) above.

(e) Sub-recipients must immediately report potential violations of the DB prevailing wage requirements to the EPA DB contact listed above and to the appropriate DOL Wage and Hour District Office listed at http://www.dol.gov/whd/america2.htm.

DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENT (NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES)

Under these terms and conditions, the sub-recipient must submit its proposed DB wage determinations to the State recipient for approval prior to including the wage determination in any solicitation, contract task orders, work assignments, or similar instruments to existing contractors.

1. Applicability of the Davis- Bacon (DB) prevailing wage requirements.

Under the FY 2014 Water Resource Reform and Development Act, DB prevailing wage requirements apply to the construction, alteration, and repair of treatment works carried out in whole or in part with assistance made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund. If a sub-recipient encounters a unique situation at a site that presents uncertainties regarding DB applicability, the sub-recipient must discuss the situation with NMED before authorizing work on that site.

2. Obtaining Wage Determinations.

(a) Sub-recipients must obtain proposed wage determinations for specific localities at https://beta.sam.gov/. After the Sub-recipient obtains its proposed wage determination, it must submit the wage determination to the **New Mexico Environment Department Construction Programs Bureau** ((505)-469-3459) for approval prior to inserting the wage determination into a solicitation, contract or issuing task orders, work assignments or similar instruments to existing contractors (ordering instruments unless subsequently directed otherwise by the State recipient Award Official.)

(b) Sub-recipients shall obtain the wage determination for the locality in which a covered activity subject to DB will take place prior to issuing requests for bids, proposals, quotes or other methods for soliciting contracts (solicitation) for activities subject to DB. These wage determinations shall be incorporated into solicitations and any subsequent contracts. Prime contracts must contain a provision requiring that subcontractors follow the wage determination incorporated into the prime contract.

(i) While the solicitation remains open, the sub-recipient shall monitor https://beta.sam.gov/. on a weekly basis to ensure that the wage determination contained in the solicitation remains current. The sub-recipients shall amend the solicitation if DOL issues a modification more than 10 days prior to the closing date (i.e. bid opening) for the solicitation. If DOL modifies or supersedes the applicable wage determination less than 10 days prior to the closing date, the sub-recipients may request a finding from the State recipient that there is not a reasonable time to notify interested contractors of the modification of the wage determination. The State recipient will provide a report of its findings to the sub-recipient.

(ii) If the sub-recipient does not award the contract within 90 days of the closure of the solicitation, any modifications or supersedes DOL makes to the wage determination contained in the solicitation shall be effective unless the State recipient, at the request of the sub-recipient, obtains an extension of the 90 day period from DOL pursuant to 29 CFR 1.6(c)(3)(iv). The sub-recipient shall monitor https://beta.sam.gov/ on a weekly basis if it does not award the contract within 90 days of closure of the solicitation to ensure that wage determinations contained in the solicitation remain current.

(c) If the sub-recipient carries out activity subject to DB by issuing a task order, work assignment or similar instrument to an existing contractor (ordering instrument) rather than by publishing a solicitation, the sub-recipient shall insert the appropriate DOL wage determination from https://beta.sam.gov/ into the ordering instrument.

(d) Sub-recipients shall review all subcontracts subject to DB entered into by prime contractors to verify that the prime contractor has required its subcontractors to include the applicable wage determinations.

(e) As provided in 29 CFR 1.6(f), DOL may issue a revised wage determination applicable to a sub-recipient's contract after the award of a contract or the issuance of an ordering instrument if DOL determines that the sub-recipient has failed to incorporate a wage determination or has used a wage determination that clearly does not apply to the contract or ordering instrument. If this occurs, the sub-recipient shall either terminate the contract or ordering instrument and issue a revised solicitation or ordering instrument or incorporate DOL's wage determination retroactive to the beginning of the

contract or ordering instrument by change order. The sub-recipient's contractor must be compensated for any increases in wages resulting from the use of DOL's revised wage determination.

3. Contract and Subcontract provisions.

(a) The Recipient shall insure that the sub-recipient(s) shall insert in full in any contract in excess of $2,000 which is entered into for the actual construction, alteration and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of a treatment work under the CWSRF - or in accordance with guarantees of a Federal agency or financed from funds obtained by pledge of any contract of a Federal agency to make a loan, grant or annual contribution (except where a different meaning is expressly indicated), and which is subject to the labor standards provisions of any of the acts listed in § 5.1 or the FY 2014

(b) Water Resource Reform and Development Act -, the following clauses:

(1) Minimum wages.

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in § 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

Sub-recipients may obtain wage determinations from the U.S. Department of Labor's web site, www.dol.gov.

(ii)(A) The sub-recipient(s), on behalf of EPA, shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination, and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The State award official shall approve a request for an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

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

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

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

(B) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the sub-recipient(s) agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), documentation of the action taken and the request, including the local wage determination shall be sent by the sub-recipient(s) to the State award official. The State award official will transmit the report, to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210 and to the EPA DB Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification request within 30 days of receipt and so advise the State award official or will notify the State award official within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the sub-recipient(s) do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the award official shall refer the request, and the local wage determination, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the State award official, to the Administrator for determination. The request shall be sent to the EPA Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt of the request and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii)(B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

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

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

(2) Withholding. The sub-recipient(s) shall upon written request of the EPA Award Official or an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any

other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the (Agency) may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

(3) Payrolls and basic records.

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

(ii)(A) The contractor shall submit weekly, for each week in which any contract work is performed, a copy of all payrolls to the sub-recipient, that is, the entity that receives the sub-grant or loan from the State capitalization grant recipient. Such documentation shall be available on request of the State recipient or EPA. As to each payroll copy received, the sub-recipient shall provide written confirmation in a form satisfactory to the State indicating whether or not the project is in compliance with the requirements of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) based on the most recent payroll copies for the specified week. The payrolls shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on the weekly payrolls. Instead, the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at http://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site.

The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker and shall provide them upon request to the sub-recipient(s) for transmission to the State or EPA if requested by EPA, the State, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the

Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the sub-recipient(s).

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

(1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under § 5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under § 5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete.

(2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3.

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

(C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section.

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

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

(4) Apprentices and trainees--

(i) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer

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

(ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the

Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

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

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

(6) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the EPA determines may by appropriate, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

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

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

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

(10) Certification of eligibility.

(i) By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001. **4. Contract Provision for Contracts in Excess of $100,000.**

(a) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The sub-recipient shall insert the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section in full in any contract in an amount in excess of $100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by Item 3, above or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of $25 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

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

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

(c) In addition to the clauses contained in Item 3, above, in any contract subject only to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and not to any of the other statutes cited in 29 CFR 5.1, the Sub-recipient shall insert a clause requiring that the contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three years

from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Further, the Sub-recipient shall insert in any such contract a clause providing that the records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the (write the name of agency) and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

5. Compliance Verification

(a) The sub-recipient shall periodically interview a sufficient number of employees entitled to DB prevailing wages (covered employees) to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates. As provided in 29 CFR 5.6(a)(3), all interviews must be conducted in confidence. The sub-recipient must use Standard Form 1445 (SF 1445) or equivalent documentation to memorialize the interviews. Copies of the SF 1445 are available from EPA on request.

(b) The sub-recipient shall establish and follow an interview schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. Sub-recipients must conduct more frequent interviews if the initial interviews or other information indicated that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. Sub-recipients shall immediately conduct interviews in response to an alleged violation of the prevailing wage requirements. All interviews shall be conducted in confidence."

(c). The sub-recipient shall periodically conduct spot checks of a representative sample of weekly payroll data to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates. The sub- recipient shall establish and follow a spot check schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. At a minimum, if practicable the sub-recipient should spot check payroll data within two weeks of each contractor or subcontractor's submission of its initial payroll data and two weeks prior to the completion date the contract or subcontract. Sub-recipients must conduct more frequent spot checks if the initial spot check or other information indicates that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. In addition, during the examinations the sub-recipient shall verify evidence of fringe benefit plans and payments there under by contractors and subcontractors who claim credit for fringe benefit contributions.

(d). The sub-recipient shall periodically review contractors and subcontractors use of apprentices and trainees to verify registration and certification with respect to apprenticeship and training programs approved by either the U.S Department of Labor or a state, as appropriate, and that contractors and subcontractors are not using disproportionate numbers of, laborers, trainees and apprentices. These reviews shall be conducted in accordance with the schedules for spot checks and interviews described in Item 5(b) and (c) above.

(e) Sub-recipients must immediately report potential violations of the DB prevailing wage requirements to the EPA DB contact listed above and to the appropriate DOL Wage and Hour District Office listed at http://www.dol.gov/whd/america2.htm.

New Mexico CWSRF Loan Provision LA15 Fiscal Sustainability Plan

	Fiscal Sustainability Plan Requirement	LA15

The 2014 Clean Water Act amendments require recipients of CWRF loans for projects involving a publicly owned treatment works to certify that they have developed and implemented a Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP) or another plan that meets minimum requirements, or that they will prepare an FSP. The minimum required elements for an FSP are listed in Section 603(d)(1)(E) of the Clean Water Act. Loan recipients shall develop and implement a FSP that includes the following:

- An inventory of critical assets that are part of the system. Critical assets are those that are necessary for sustained system performance.
- An evaluation of the condition and performance of critical assets.
- A plan for maintaining, repairing and replacing critical assets and for funding those activities.
- An evaluation and implementation plan for water and energy conservation.

The FSP requirement applies to all publicly owned treatment works construction or design/ construction projects funded in-part or in-full of State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans. The FSP must cover the entire project for which SRF funding is provided.

At the completion of the project, the loan recipient can:

Certify that a Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP) has been developed and implemented that meets the minimum required elements listed above. The FSP certification statement must be submitted before a final loan agreement is executed. The FSP will be available for NMED review during a site visit or inspection.

Agree to develop and implement a Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP) that will meet the minimum required elements listed above. The certification statement must be submitted before a final loan agreement is executed. The FSP must be completed prior to final disbursement. The FSP will be available for NMED review during a site visit or inspection.

By executing this Agreement, the undersigned represents authorization to act on behalf of the Recipient.

BY:

_____

Signature of duly authorized Recipient
Official City of Santa Fe

_____

Print Name

_____

Title

_____

Date

Issued and administered by:

New Mexico Environment Department
Wastewater Facility Construction Loan Program
Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund

BY: _____

Constructions Programs Bureau, Bureau Chief
Signed pursuant to February 19, 2024, Secretary of Environment Delegation Order

ATTACHMENT 1

COVENANTS AND PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO OBLIGATIONS SECURED BY NET WASTEWATER SYSTEM REVENUES/ ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES GROSS RECEIPTS TAX REVENUES

Bracketed section references refer to the corresponding sections in Ordinance No. 2019-02 adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe on January 30, 2019 ("Ordinance No. 2019-02) or the "Superior Obligations Ordinance").

Section 1. [Section 1.] Definitions.

"City's Chief Financial Officer" means the City officer currently designated as the "Finance Director" or his or her successor in function, provided that for purposes hereof, the designation of any successor in title by the City Manager, if given in writing, shall be conclusive.

"Consulting Engineer" means any registered or licensed professional engineer or firm of such engineers, entitled to practice and practicing as such under the laws of the State of New Mexico, retained and compensated by the City, but not in the regular employ of the City. The written determination by the Mayor or City Manager or the authorized designee of either, that an engineer or firm of engineers meets the foregoing qualifications of the preceding sentence shall be conclusive for purposes of any provision of this Agreement. As to construction drawings and specifications prepared for the Project by City employees working under the supervision of the City Engineer, this term may include the City Engineer.

"Agreement Debt Service Fund" means the fund established and maintained by the City for the deposit of Pledged Revenues in amounts sufficient to make timely payments of the Debt Service Requirements of this Agreement.

"Debt Service Requirements" for any period means the sum of: (i) the amount required to pay the interest, or to make reimbursements for payments of interest, becoming due on the applicable Obligations during such period; plus (ii) the amount required to pay the principal or accreted value, or to make reimbursements for the payment of principal or accreted value, becoming due on the applicable Obligations during that period, whether at maturity, an accretion term date or upon mandatory sinking fund redemption dates, plus (iii) any net periodic payments on a notional amount required to be made by the City pursuant to a Qualified Exchange Agreement minus (iv) any net periodic payments on a notional amount to be received by the City pursuant to a Qualified Exchange Agreement.

(a) No payments required on the applicable Obligations shall be included in any computation of Debt Service Requirements for any computation period prior to the maturity or otherwise certain due dates thereof which may occur because of the exercise of an option by the City, or which may otherwise become due by reason of any other circumstance or contingency, including acceleration, which constitute other than regularly scheduled payments of principal, accreted value, interest or other regularly scheduled payments on the applicable Obligations.

(b) Debt Service Requirements required to be made pursuant to a Qualified Exchange Agreement shall be based upon the actual amount required to be paid by the City, if any, to the Qualified Counterparty. In determining that amount, any payments required to be made by either party to the Qualified Exchange Agreement at a Variable Exchange Rate shall be computed, in determining the obligation of the City under the Qualified Exchange Agreement, using the procedures set forth in the ordinance in which Qualified Exchange Agreement was authorized.

(c) The computation of interest for the purposes of this definition shall be made without considering the interest rate payable pursuant to a Credit Facility, unless, at the time of

computation of Debt Service Requirements, payments on Obligations are owed to, or Obligations are owned or held by, the provider of a Credit Facility pursuant to the provisions of that Credit Facility.

(d) The accreted value of capital appreciation bonds shall be included in the calculation of interest and principal only for the applicable year during which the accreted value becomes payable.

(e) In any computation of Debt Service Requirements relating to the issuance of additional Parity Obligations:

(1) There shall be deducted from that computation (i) amounts on deposit in an escrow account related to an issue of Cross-over Refunding Obligations and (ii) proceeds of a series of Obligations deposited to the credit of an account for the payment of capitalized interest on Obligations included as part of the computation during the applicable period.

(2) There may be made the adjustment to the Debt Service Requirements applicable to Bond Anticipation Notes described in the ordinance in which the Bond Anticipation Notes were authorize.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in the ordinance authorizing the issuance of Crossover Refunding Obligations, the purchase or tender price of Put Obligations resulting from the optional or mandatory tender or presentment for purchase of those Put Obligations shall not be included in any computation of Debt Service Requirements.

"Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance" means the City Ordinance No. 1993-20 imposing the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax, as amended.

"Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund" means the "City of Santa Fe, New Mexico Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund," maintained by the City and continued by Section 19 of this ordinance, into which the City shall deposit the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues.

"Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues" means the environmental services gross receipts tax revenues received by the City pursuant to Section 7-19D-10, NMSA 1978 and the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance.

"Gross Revenues," "revenues," "gross revenues," "income" or "gross income" from the System means all income and revenues directly or indirectly derived by the City from the operation and use of the Wastewater System, or any part of the Wastewater System, and includes, without limitation, all revenues received by the City, or any municipal corporation or agency succeeding to the rights of the City, from the Wastewater System and from the sale and use of wastewater, wastewater services or facilities, or any other service, commodity or facility or any combination thereof furnished to the inhabitants in the customer service area for the Wastewater System. Such term also includes:

(a) Investment earnings allocated to the Wastewater Fund by the City from amounts in the Debt Service Fund and from surplus Wastewater System Net Revenues in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance or ordinances authorizing outstanding Wastewater System obligations under the heading Administration of Wastewater Fund and Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund.

(b) All income derived from the investment of any money in the Wastewater Fund and Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Account;

(c) Money released from the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Account to the extent that the amount released is used to pay Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses or Debt Service Requirements on Parity Wastewater System Obligations in the year released; provided that withdrawals from the Wastewater Rate Stabilization Account shall not be included in Wastewater System Gross Revenues for the purposes of the Rate Covenant in any two consecutive calendar years;

(d) Property insurance proceeds which are not necessary to restore or replace the property lost or damaged and the proceeds of the sale or other disposition of any part of the Wastewater System; and

(e) That portion of expansion charges and/or impact fees established specifically to pay debt service on debt obligations.

Gross Revenues do not include:

(a) any money received as (i) wastewater testing fees, (ii) grants or gifts from the United States of America, the State or other sources, (iii) the proceeds of any charge or tax intended as a replacement therefor or other capital contributions from any source which are restricted as to use or (iv) the capital improvement portion of any expansion charges and/or impact fees;

(b) taxes and/or fees collected by the City and remitted to other governmental agencies; and

(c) condemnation proceeds or the proceeds of any insurance policy, except any insurance proceeds derived in respect of loss of use or business interruption.

"Historic Test Period" means any twelve consecutive calendar months designated by an Authorized Officer from time to time out of the eighteen calendar months next preceding the date

of adoption of the City ordinance authorizing the issuance of System Obligations without regard to any resolution or ordinance supplementing or amending the authorizing ordinance.

"Independent Accountant" means any registered or certified public accountant or firm of such accountants duly licensed to practice and practicing as such under the laws of the State of New Mexico, appointed and paid by the City, who (1) is, in fact, independent and not under the domination of the City, (2) does not have any substantial interest, direct or indirect, with the City, and (3) is not connected with the City as an officer or employee of the City, but who may be regularly retained to make annual or similar audits of the books or records of the City; "Independent Accountant" also means the State Auditor of the State of New Mexico.

"Net Revenues", "Net Revenues of the System", "net revenues" or "net income" means the Gross Revenues after deducting Operation and Maintenance Expenses of the System.

"Obligations" means bonds, notes or any other instrument which evidences a borrowing or other obligation of the City, including Qualified Exchange Agreements, secured by Pledged Revenues, issued or incurred for any purpose permitted by the Act or the Exchange Act, as amended from time to time.

"Operation and Maintenance Expenses" means all reasonable and necessary current expenses of the Wastewater System, in any particular Fiscal Year or period to which such term is applicable, paid or accrued, related to operating, maintaining and repairing the Wastewater System including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

(a) legal and overhead expenses of the various City departments directly related and reasonably allocable to the administration of the Wastewater System;

(b) insurance premiums for the Wastewater System, including, without limitation, premiums for property insurance, public liability insurance and workmen's compensation insurance, whether or not self-funded;

(c) the costs of audits of the books and accounts of the Wastewater System:

(d) amounts required to be deposited in the Rebate Fund;

(e) salaries, administrative expenses, labor costs, surety bonds and the cost of materials and supplies used for or in connection with the current operation of the Wastewater System; and

(f) any fees required to be paid under any operation, maintenance and/or management agreement with respect to the Wastewater System.

Operation and Maintenance Expenses do not include any allowance for depreciation, payments in lieu of taxes, liabilities incurred by the City as a result of its negligence or other misconduct in the operation of the Wastewater System, any charges for the accumulation of reserves for capital replacements or any Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses payable from moneys other than Wastewater System Gross Revenues.

"Operation and Maintenance Fund" means the "City of Santa Fe Wastewater Utility System Operation and Maintenance Fund" which is continued in Section 20A of Ordinance No. 2019-02.

"Outstanding Obligations" means, collectively, Outstanding Superior Obligations and Outstanding Subordinate Obligations.

"Outstanding Subordinate Obligations" means Obligations, including this Agreement

, secured by a pledged of Net System Revenues with a nonexclusive subordinate lien thereon, and a pledge of Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues with a nonexclusive subordinate lien thereon.

"Outstanding Superior Obligations" means the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax (Subordinate Lien) / Wastewater System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B, and the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico Net Wastewater Utility System / Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2019, each of which is secured by a pledged of Net System Revenues with a nonexclusive first lien thereon, and a pledge of Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues with a nonexclusive subordinate lien thereon.

"Parity Subordinate Obligations" means this Agreement, the Outstanding Subordinate Obligations, and additional Subordinate Obligations, if any, issued with a lien on Pledged Revenues on parity with the lien thereon of this Agreement and the Outstanding Subordinate Obligations.

"Pledged Revenues" means, collectively, the Net Revenues and the Environmental Gross Receipts Tax Revenues.

"Rate Stabilization Fund" means the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Fund continued in the applicable section of the ordinance in which Outstanding Obligations were authorized.

"Related Documents" means, in connection with Outstanding Obligations, the Pricing Certificate, the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, the Preliminary Official Statement, the Official Statement, and any other document or agreement

containing an obligation of the City as may be required in connection with the issuance of the Obligations.

"Replacement Fund" means the Wastewater System Replacement Fund continued in the applicable section of the ordinance in which Outstanding Obligations were authorized.

"System," or "Utility" means the municipally owned public utility designated as the City's wastewater utility system, consisting of all properties, real, personal, mixed or otherwise, now owned or hereafter acquired by the City through purchase, construction or otherwise, and used in connection with the wastewater utility system of the City and in any way appertaining thereto, whether situated within or without the limits of the City.

"Wastewater Fund" or "Income Fund" means the "City of Santa Fe Wastewater System Gross Income Fund" which was created in Ordinance 1997-30 adopted by the City Council on October 29, 1997 and is continued in the applicable section of the ordinance in which Outstanding Obligations were authorized, which fund is held by the City.

Section 2. [Section 19.] Funds and Accounts. The City hereby creates, or continues, as applicable, the following special and separate funds:

A. Wastewater Fund. Continues the Wastewater Fund to be maintained and controlled by the City as a separate and distinct fund for deposit of the Gross Revenues.

B. Rate Stabilization Fund. Continues the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Fund as a special and separate fund to be maintained and controlled by the City for the purposes described in Section 21.

C. Replacement Fund. Continues the Wastewater System Replacement Fund as a special and separate fund to be maintained and controlled by the City for the purposes described in Section 21.

D. Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund. Continues the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund previously established and maintained by the City.

Section 3. [Section 20.] Deposit of Gross Revenues and Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues. So long as any Obligations are outstanding, the Gross Revenues shall, immediately upon receipt thereof by the City, be set aside and deposited into the Wastewater Fund. All money deposited into the Wastewater Fund shall be held separate and apart from the City's general fund and applied only in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and any other City ordinance authorizing the issuance of Obligations payable from the Net Revenues.

So long as any Obligations are outstanding, the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues shall, immediately upon receipt thereof by the City, be set aside and deposited into the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund. All money deposited into the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund shall be held separate and apart from the City's general fund and applied only in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and any other City ordinance authorizing the issuance of Obligations payable from the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues.

Section 4. [Section 21.] Administration of Wastewater Fund and Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund. So long as any Superior Obligations shall be outstanding, either as to principal or interest or both, the following payments shall be made monthly from the Wastewater Fund:

A. Administration of Wastewater Fund. So long as any Obligations shall be outstanding, the following payments shall be made from the Wastewater Fund:

(1) Operation and Maintenance Expenses. As a first charge on the Wastewater System Gross Revenues, there shall be paid the Operation and Maintenance Expenses of the Wastewater System as they become due and payable.

(2) Debt Service Fund Payments. Second, concurrently with the payments described in paragraph A(1) of this Section, the following amounts shall be withdrawn from the Wastewater Fund and credited to the Debt Service Fund:

(a) Interest Payments. Monthly, commencing on the first day of the first month following the delivery of Superior Obligations, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of interest on such Superior Obligations then outstanding and monthly thereafter commencing on each interest payment date, one-sixth (1/6th) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of interest on the outstanding Superior Obligations, and

(b) Principal Payments. Monthly, commencing on the first day of the first month following delivery of the Superior Obligations, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of principal on the Superior Obligations and monthly thereafter commencing on each principal payment date, one-twelfth (1/12th) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of principal on the Superior Obligations.

(3) Third, subsequent to the payments required by the outstanding Superior Obligations, any balance remaining in the Wastewater Fund, after making the payments hereinabove provided, shall be used by the City for the payment of interest on and the principal of this Agreement and all other Outstanding Parity Subordinate Obligations or other obligations, if

any, having a lien on any of the Pledged Revenues subordinate to the lien thereon of Superior Obligations hereafter authorized, issued and payable from the Net Revenues, as the same become due. So long as this Agreement remains outstanding, either as to principal or interest or both, the following payments shall be made monthly from Net Revenues on a parity with the payments required by the outstanding Parity Subordinate Obligations:

(i) Agreement Debt Service Fund Payments. The following amounts shall be withdrawn from the Wastewater Fund (and on parity with other outstanding Parity Subordinate Obligations), and shall be concurrently credited to the Agreement Debt Service Fund (unless the City determines that such amounts shall be withdrawn from such funds in some other order):

(aa) Monthly, commencing on the first day of the month immediately succeeding the delivery of the final debt service schedule for the Agreement, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any other moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of interest on the Agreement, and monthly thereafter, commencing on each Interest Payment Date, one-sixth (1/6) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of interest on the Agreement.

(bb) Monthly, commencing on the first day of the month immediately succeeding the delivery of the final debt service schedule for the Agreement, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any other moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of principal of the Agreement, and monthly thereafter, commencing on each principal payment date, one-twelfth (1/12) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of principal on the Agreement.

If prior to any interest payment date or principal payment date, there has been accumulated in the Debt Service Fund the entire amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of interest or principal, or both, the payment required in subparagraphs A(2)(a), A(2)(b)and A(3) above (whichever is applicable), may be appropriately reduced and the required monthly amounts again shall be so credited to such account commencing on such interest payment date or principal payment date (whichever is applicable).

B. Administration of the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund. So long as any of Obligations secured by Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues are outstanding, the following payments shall be made from the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues:

(1) First, as a first charge on the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, the amounts necessary to pay the Debt Service Requirements on outstanding bonds or obligations, with a lien on the Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues prior and superior to the lien thereon of this Agreement as are required from the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund, pursuant to the ordinances authorizing the outstanding superior Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax obligations as required by such ordinances.

(2) Second, but subject to and after the withdrawals authorized by the preceding paragraph B(1), so long as this Agreement shall be outstanding, to the extent that any monthly payment required to be made into the Debt Service Fund has not been made from the Wastewater Fund or from any other legally available source, the following amounts shall be withdrawn from the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund and credited to the Bond Fund:

(a) Interest Payments. Monthly, commencing on the first day of the first month following the delivery of the final debt service schedule for this Agreement, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of interest on this Agreement then outstanding and monthly thereafter commencing on each interest payment date, one-sixth (1/6th) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of interest on this Agreement, and

(b) Principal Payments. Monthly, commencing on the first day of the first month following the delivery of the final debt service schedule for this Agreement, an amount in equal monthly installments necessary, together with any moneys therein and available therefor, to pay the next maturing installment of principal on this Agreement and monthly thereafter commencing on each principal payment date, one-twelfth (1/12th) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of principal thereon.

(3) Third, but concurrently with the payments required by paragraph B(2) of this section, funds remaining in the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Fund, shall be used by the City to pay the Debt Service Requirements of such additional Parity Subordinate Tax Obligations, if any, hereafter authorized to be issued and payable from Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues.

If prior to any interest payment date or principal payment date, there has been accumulated in the Bond Fund the entire amount necessary to pay the next maturing installment of interest or principal, or both, the payment required in subparagraphs B(2)(a), B(2)(b) and B(2)(c) (whichever is applicable) of this paragraph, may be appropriately reduced and the required monthly amounts again shall be so credited to such account commencing on such interest payment date or principal payment date (whichever is applicable).

C. Termination Upon Deposits to Maturity. No payment need be made into the Bond Fund if the amount in such funds totals a sum at least equal to the entire amount of Bonds then outstanding, both as to principal and interest to their respective maturities, and both accrued and not accrued, in which case, moneys in the Bond Fund in an amount at least equal to such principal and interest requirements shall be used solely to pay such as the same accrue and any moneys in excess thereof in the Bond Fund and any other moneys derived from the Pledged Revenues may be used in any lawful manner determined by the City.

D. Payment of Additional Environmental Obligations and Qualified Exchange Agreements. Either prior to, concurrently with or subsequent to the payments required by Paragraphs A and B of this Section [Section 21], depending upon whether the additional Obligations are Superior Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations, Parity Subordinate Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations, Parity Wastewater System / Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations, Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations, or subordinate Wastewater System / Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations, as provided in this Ordinance, the Pledged Revenues shall be used by the City for the payment of Debt Service Requirements on this additional Obligations, if any, hereafter authorized to be issued and payable from the Pledged Revenues as the same accrue. In the event that such obligations are Parity Superior Obligations, the payments of Debt Service Requirements on such additional Obligations shall be made concurrently with the payments required by Paragraphs A(2) and B(2) of this Section 21 (provided that such payments may be made at any intervals as may be provided in the ordinance or resolution authorizing such additional Obligations). The following amounts required to be paid by the City shall be paid from Pledged Revenues with the same priority as other payments of Debt Service Requirements on Parity Superior Obligations:

(1) Any amount to reimburse or pay a bond insurer or reserve account insurer or guarantor, or to make payments or reimbursements pursuant to another Credit Facility, for payments of Debt Service Requirements made on Parity Superior Obligations; and amounts payable to a Qualified Counterparty under a Qualified Exchange Agreement, excluding Exchange Termination Payments, if such payments are designated in a City ordinance relating to that Qualified Exchange Agreement as having a lien on Pledged Revenues on a parity with the lien thereon of Parity Superior Obligations;

(2) Reimbursement of any reserve fund Credit Facility obtained for any issue of Parity Obligations; and

(3) Cash deposits to any required reserve fund established with respect to any issue of Parity Obligations.

Each payment of Debt Service Requirements on Parity Superior Obligations shall be transferred to the Paying Agent for payment of Parity Superior Obligations, or directly to a Qualified Counterparty, bond insurer, reserve account insurer or guarantor or other provider of a Credit Facility entitled to receive payments on Parity Superior Obligations, on or before the due date of such payment.

G. Use of the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Fund. Amounts deposited in the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Fund may be withdrawn at any time and used for any purpose for which Wastewater System Gross Revenues may be used.

Section 5. Additional Parity Subordinate Obligations. Parity Subordinate Wastewater System / Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Obligations may be issued for the purposes permitted by the Act including, but not limited to (i) financing the costs of a project; or (ii) providing additional funds for deposit into the Wastewater System Replacement Fund and

paying the costs incident to the issuance of such Parity Subordinate Obligations or any combination of the foregoing.

A. Limitations Upon Issuance of Additional Parity Subordinate Obligations. The tests required in this Section shall be performed without adjustment for payments to or withdrawals from the Wastewater System Rate Stabilization Fund. Except as permitted herein, prior to the issuance of additional Parity Subordinate Obligations, the City shall be current in making all deposits required by Section 3 and the following test shall be satisfied:

(i) a certificate prepared by the City Finance Director showing that the Pledged Revenues for the Historic Test Period were at least equal to 110% of the maximum combined annual Debt Service Requirements for all Outstanding Superior Obligations and Parity Subordinate Obligations which will be outstanding immediately after the issuance of the proposed Parity Subordinate Obligations, or

(ii) a certificate prepared by a Consulting Engineer showing that:

(a) the Pledged Revenues for the Historic Test Period were at least equal to 110% of the maximum combined annual Debt Service Requirements for all Outstanding Parity Subordinate Obligations immediately preceding the issuance of the Parity Subordinate Obligations proposed to be issued; and

(b) for each Fiscal Year during the period from the date of delivery of such certificate until the latest estimated completion date of the specified project(s) to be funded with the proceeds of such Parity Obligations, the Consulting Engineer estimates that the City will be in compliance with the Rate Covenant; and

(c) the estimated Pledged Revenues for each of the three Fiscal Years immediately following the latest estimated completion date for the specified project(s) to be financed with proceeds of such Parity Subordinate Obligations, as certified to the Consulting Engineer by an Authorized Officer of the City will be at least equal to 110% of the maximum combined annual Debt Service Requirements for all Outstanding Superior Obligations and Parity Subordinate Obligations which will be outstanding immediately after the issuance of the proposed Parity Subordinate Obligations.

For purposes of subsections (ii)(b) and (c) above, in estimating Wastewater System Net Revenues, the Consulting Engineer may take into account (1) reasonable Wastewater System Gross Revenues from specified Wastewater System projects expected to become available, (2) any increase in fees, rates, charges, rentals or other sources of Wastewater System Gross Revenues which have been approved by the City and will be in effect during the period for which the estimates are provided, and (3) any other increases in Wastewater System Gross Revenues which the Consulting Engineer believes to be a reasonable assumption for such period. With respect to Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses, the Consulting Engineer shall use such assumptions as the Consulting Engineer believes to be reasonable, and taking into account, (i) historical Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses, (ii) Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses associated with the specified Wastewater System projects and (iii) such other factors, including inflation and changing operations or policies of the City, as the Consulting Engineer believes to be appropriate. The Consulting Engineer shall include in the certificate or in a separate accompanying report a description of the assumptions used and the calculations made in determining the estimated Wastewater System Net Revenues and shall also

set forth the calculations of the maximum combined annual Debt Service Requirements, which calculations may be based upon information provided by another Consultant.

For purposes of preparing the certificate or certificates described above, the Consulting Engineer or Consultant may rely upon financial statements prepared by the City which have not been subject to audit by an Independent Accountant if audited financial statements for the Fiscal Year or period are not available; provided, however, that an Authorized Officer of the City shall certify as to their accuracy and that such financial statements were prepared substantially in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to year-end adjustments.

(iv) Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent the City from issuing bonds or other obligations with a lien on Pledged Revenues subordinate or junior to the lien of the Parity Subordinate Obligations on Pledged Revenues.

(v) The City may issue additional obligations payable from Pledged Revenues with a lien on Pledged Wastewater System Revenues superior to the lien of Parity Subordinate Obligations (provided, that such Superior Lien Obligations may be issued in compliance with the requirements for issuing such obligations as provided in the applicable section of the ordinance in which Outstanding Superior Lien Obligations were authorized).

Section 6. Refunding Bonds. The provisions of Section 4 hereof are subject to the following exceptions:

A. Privilege of Issuing Refunding Obligations. If at any time after this Agreement, or any part thereof, shall remain outstanding, the City shall find it desirable to refund any outstanding Parity Subordinate Obligations or other outstanding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues, such bonds or other obligations, or any part thereof, may be refunded (but only

with the consent of the registered owner or owners thereof, unless the bonds or other obligations, at the time of their required surrender for payment, shall then mature, or shall then be callable for prior redemption at the City's option), regardless of whether the priority of the lien for the payment of the refunding obligations on the Pledged Revenues is changed (except as provided in Paragraph A of Section 5 and in Paragraphs B and C of this Section).

B. Limitations Upon Issuance of Refunding Obligations. No refunding bonds or other refunding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues shall be issued on parity with this Agreement authorized, unless:

(1) The lien on the Pledged Revenues of the outstanding obligations so refunded is on parity with the lien thereon of this Agreement; or

(2) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations are issued in compliance with Paragraph A of Section 5 of above.

C. Refunding Part of an Issue. The refunding bonds or other obligations so issued shall enjoy complete equality of lien with the portion of any bonds or other obligations of the same issue which is not refunded, if any there be; and the registered owner or owners of such refunding bonds or such other refunding obligations shall be subrogated to all of the rights and privileges enjoyed by the registered owner or owners of the bonds or other obligations of the same issue refunded thereby.

D. Limitations Upon Issuance of any Refunding Obligations. Any refunding bonds or other refunding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues shall be issued with such details as the City may by ordinance provide, subject to the inclusion of any such rights and privileges designated in Paragraph C of this Section, but without any impairment of any contractual obligations imposed upon the City by any proceedings authorizing the issuance of any unrefunded

portion of such outstanding obligations of any one or more issues (including but not necessarily limited to the issue herein authorized). If only a part of the outstanding bonds and any other outstanding obligations of any issue or issues payable from the Pledged Revenues are refunded, then such obligations may not be refunded without the consent of the registered owner or owners of the unrefunded portion of such obligations, unless:

(1) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations do not increase any aggregate annual principal and interest requirements evidenced by such refunding obligations and by the outstanding obligations not refunded on and prior to the last maturity date of such unrefunded obligations, or

(2) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations are issued in compliance with Paragraph A of Section 5 above, or

(3) The lien on the Pledged Revenues for the payment of the refunding obligations is subordinate to each such lien for the payment of any obligations not refunded.

E. Cross-over Refunding Bonds. If the refunding bonds to be issued are Cross-over Refunding Bonds, the ordinance providing for the issuance thereof shall provide (1) that until the date on which the principal portion of the related Parity Subordinate Obligations being refunded is to be paid or redeemed from the proceeds of such Cross-over Refunding Bonds, the Cross-over Refunding Bonds shall not be Parity Subordinate Obligations and shall be payable solely from the escrow provided for in the related ordinance, and (2) a certificate of an Independent Accountant shall be prepared to demonstrate the sufficiency of the moneys and investments in the escrow to pay the principal of and interest on the Cross-over Refunding Bonds until the date on which the principal portion of the related Parity Subordinate Obligations being refunded is to be paid or redeemed and to pay or redeem the related Parity Subordinate Obligations being refunded.

Section 7. Protective Covenants. The City hereby covenants and agrees with each and every registered owner of Obligations that:

A. Rate Covenant.

(1) The City covenants that it will at all times fix rates and collect charges for each class of service rendered by the Wastewater System, and to, from time to time, amend or adjust such rates so that Wastewater System Gross Revenues, together with Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, shall always be sufficient to provide for the payment of the Debt Service Requirements on all Outstanding Superior Obligations, and that Wastewater System Gross Revenues, together with Pledged Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues shall always be sufficient to provide for the payment of Parity Subordinate Obligations as and when the same become due and payable, to maintain the funds and accounts established in this Agreement, to provide for the payment of Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses which may be necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order, including the necessary reserves therefor and all other payments necessary to meet on-going legal obligations to be paid at that time; and

(2) The City further covenants that it will at all times fix, charge and collect such rates and charges as shall be required in order that in each Fiscal Year the Wastewater System Net Revenues, together with the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, shall at least equal the greater of (a) the Debt Service Requirements on all Outstanding Superior Obligations, this Agreement, and Parity Subordinate Obligations, if any, in such Fiscal Year and the deposits required by this Agreement to be made into the various funds of this Agreement in such year or (b) 110% of the Debt Service Requirements on all Outstanding Superior Obligations, this Agreement, and Parity Subordinate Obligations, if any, in such Fiscal Year.

Failure by the City to comply with the foregoing Rate Covenant in any Fiscal Year will not constitute an event of default under this Agreement so long as the City, within 180 days, adopts the schedule of rates and charges recommended or approved by a Consulting Engineer which would bring the City into compliance with the Rate Covenant. The City is also required under this Agreement in each Fiscal Year to complete a review of its financial condition for the purpose of estimating whether the Wastewater System Net Revenues, together with the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, for such Fiscal Year and for the next succeeding Fiscal Year will be sufficient to comply with the Rate Covenant set forth above. If the City determines that the Wastewater System Net Revenues, together with the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, may not be so sufficient, it shall forthwith cause the Consulting Engineer to make a study for the purpose of recommending a schedule of fees, rates and charges for the Wastewater System which, in the opinion of the Consulting Engineer, will cause sufficient Wastewater System Gross Revenues, together with the Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax Revenues, to be collected in such Fiscal Year to comply with the Rate Covenant set forth above and will cause additional Wastewater System Gross Revenues to be collected in such Fiscal Year sufficient to eliminate the amount of any deficiency at the earliest practicable time within such Fiscal Year. The City shall as promptly as practicable adopt and place in effect the schedule of fees, rates and charges recommended or approved by the Consulting Engineer pursuant to this Agreement. In the alternative of establishing fees, rates and charges necessary to meet the Rate Covenant set forth above, the City may undertake steps to reduce Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance Expenses.

B. Lien on Lands Serviced by Wastewater System. New Mexico law grants the City a lien upon each lot or parcel of land for the charges imposed for water and wastewater

services supplied by the Wastewater System to the owner of such lot or parcel (except as otherwise provided in Section 3-23-6 NMSA 1978, as amended). The City will cause each lien to be perfected in accordance with the provisions of Sections 3-23-6 and 3-36-1 through 3-36-5 NMSA 1978 as amended. The City will take all necessary steps to enforce the lien against any parcel of property the owner of which is delinquent for more than six months in the payment of charges imposed for the use of the Wastewater System.

C. Levy of Charges. The City will promptly fix, establish and levy the rates and charges which are required by the Rate Covenant. Unless contrary to any provision of applicable law, any ordinance adopted by the City to fix, establish and levy such rates and charges shall be deemed an administrative or executive matter not subject to any applicable referendum provisions of any City charter or state law. No reduction in any initial or existing rate schedule for the Wastewater System may be made unless:

(1) the City has fully complied with the provisions of Section 4 above for any 12 consecutive months out of the 16 calendar months immediately preceding the reduction of the rate schedule, and

(2) the audit required in subsection (H) of this Section or a separate certificate by an Independent Accountant for or relating to any 12 consecutive months out of the 16 calendar months immediately preceding any reduction discloses that the estimated Wastewater System Net Revenues resulting from the proposed reduced rate schedule would have been sufficient to meet the Rate Covenant in Paragraph B of this Section during the applicable 12-month period.

E. Efficient Operation. The City will maintain the Wastewater System in efficient operating condition and make such improvements, extensions, enlargements, repairs and

betterments to the Wastewater System as may be necessary or advisable for its economical and efficient operation at all times and to supply reasonable public and private demands for Wastewater System services within the Service Area.

F. Records. So long as the Obligations remain Outstanding, proper books of record and account will be kept by the City, separate from all other records and accounts, showing complete and correct entries of all transactions relating to the Wastewater System. However, pursuant to Section 6-14-10(E) NMSA 1978, records with regard to the ownership or pledge of the Obligations are not subject to inspection or copying.

G. Right to Inspect. Owners of the Obligations, or their duly authorized agents, shall have the right to inspect at all reasonable times all records, accounts and data relating to the Wastewater System, the Pledged Environmental Gross Receipts Tax Revenues and the Net Revenues.

H. Audits. Within 180 days following the close of each Fiscal Year, the City will cause an audit of the books and accounts of the Wastewater System to be made by an Independent Accountant. Each audit of the Wastewater System shall include those matters determined to be proper by the Independent Accountant.

I. Billing Procedure. Bills for wastewater or wastewater services or facilities, or any combination, furnished by or through the Wastewater System shall be rendered to customers on a regular basis each month following the month in which the service was rendered and shall be due as required by City ordinance. If permitted by law, if a bill is not paid within the period of time required by City ordinance, wastewater services shall be discontinued as required by City ordinance, and the rates and charges due shall be collected in a lawful manner, including, but not limited to, the cost of disconnection and reconnection.

J. Charges and Liens Upon Wastewater System. The City will pay when due from Wastewater System Gross Revenues or other legally available funds all taxes and assessments or other municipal or governmental charges, lawfully levied or assessed upon the Wastewater System and will observe and comply with all valid requirements of any municipal or governmental authority relating to the Wastewater System. The City will not create or permit any lien or charge upon the Wastewater System or the Wastewater System Gross Revenues except as permitted by this Agreement, or it will make adequate provisions to satisfy and discharge within 60 days after the same accrue, all lawful claims and demands for labor, materials, supplies or other objects, which, if unpaid, might by law become a lien upon the Wastewater System or the Wastewater System Gross Revenues. However, the City shall not be required to pay or cause to be discharged, or make provision for any tax, assessment, lien or charge before the time when payment becomes due or so long as the validity thereof is contested in good faith by appropriate legal proceedings and there is no adverse affect on owners of the Obligations.

K. Insurance. Subject, in each case, to the condition that insurance is obtainable at reasonable rates and upon reasonable terms and conditions, in its operation of the Wastewater System, the City will procure and maintain or cause to be procured and maintained commercial insurance or provide Qualified Self Insurance with respect to the facilities constituting the Wastewater System and public liability insurance in the form of commercial insurance or Qualified Self Insurance and, in each case, in such amounts and against such risks as are, in the judgment of the City, prudent and reasonable taking into account. but not being controlled by, the amounts and types of insurance or self-insured programs provided by municipalities which operate systems such as the Wastewater System. "Qualified Self Insurance" means insurance maintained through a program of self insurance or insurance maintained with a fund, company or association

in which the City may have a material interest and of which the City may have control, either singly or with others. Each plan of Qualified Self Insurance shall be established in accordance with law, shall provide that reserves be established or insurance acquired in amounts adequate to provide coverage which the City determines to be reasonable to protect against risks assumed under the Qualified Self Insurance plan, including any potential retained liability in the event of the termination of such plan of Qualified Self Insurance. In the event of property loss or damage to the Wastewater System, insurance proceeds shall be used first for the purpose of restoring or replacing the property lost or damaged and thereafter, any remainder may be used to redeem Parity Wastewater System Obligations or be treated as Wastewater System Gross Revenues and used in the manner provided in Section 3.

L. Competing Wastewater System. Unless contrary to any provision of, or required by, applicable law, as long as the Obligations are outstanding, the City will not grant any franchise or license to a competing wastewater utility system, or permit any person, association, firm or corporation to sell similar wastewater utility services or facilities to any consumer, public or private, within the Service Area of the Wastewater System; provided, however, that nothing shall prevent the City from annexing land into its boundaries solely due to the fact that there is a competing utility system or person, association, firm or corporation selling similar wastewater utility services or facilities within or for the land to be annexed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, permits granted to individual homeowners shall not violate this section if the City is in compliance with the Rate Covenant.

M. Alienating Wastewater System. While this Agreement and any Superior Obligations, Parity Obligations or Subordinate Obligations are Outstanding, the City shall not, except as permitted below, transfer, sell or otherwise dispose of the Wastewater System. For

purposes of this Section, any transfer of an asset over which the City retains or regains substantial control shall not, for so long as the City has such control, be deemed a disposition of the Wastewater System.

The City may transfer, sell or otherwise dispose of the Wastewater System only if such transfer, sale or disposition complies with one or more of the following provisions:

(a) The property being disposed of is inadequate, obsolete or worn out; or

(b) The property proposed to be disposed of and all other property of the Wastewater System disposed of during the 12-month period ending on the day of such transfer (but excluding property disposed of under (a) above), will not, in the aggregate, constitute a Significant Portion of the Wastewater System determined as described below and the proceeds are deposited into the Wastewater Fund to be used as described below; or

(c) The City receives fair market value for the property, the proceeds are deposited into the Wastewater Fund to be used as described below and, prior to the disposition of such property, there is delivered a certificate of a Consultant to the effect that notwithstanding such disposition, but taking into account the use of such proceeds in accordance with the expectations of the City as evidenced by a certificate of an Authorized Officer, the Consultant estimates that the City will be in compliance with during each of the five Fiscal Years immediately following such disposition.

For purposes of this Section, the term "Significant Portion" of the Wastewater System means property of the Wastewater System which, if such property had been disposed of by the City at the beginning of the Fiscal Year which includes the month of commencement of the 12-month period referred to in (b) above would have resulted in a reduction in Wastewater System

Net Revenues for such Fiscal Year of more than 4 % when the actual Wastewater System Net Revenues for such Fiscal Year are decreased by the revenues directly attributable to such property of the Wastewater System and increased by the expenses of the City directly attributable to such property of the Wastewater System.

Proceeds of the disposition of assets under (b) or (c) above shall be deposited into the Wastewater Fund and used, within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed three years, to (i) provide additional revenue-producing properties to the Wastewater System, (ii) redeem Parity Wastewater System Obligations or (iii) create an escrow fund pledged to pay all or a part of the Obligations and thereby cause such Obligations to be deemed to be paid as provided in the ordinance or ordinances authorizing the issuance of the Obligations.

No such disposition shall be permitted which would cause the City to be in default of any other covenant contained in this Agreement.

N. Extending Interest Payments. To prevent any accumulation of claims for interest after maturity, except as permitted by this Agreement or Related Documents, the City will not directly or indirectly extend or assent to the extension of the time for the payment of any claim for interest on the Obligations. If the time for payment of interest is extended contrary to the provisions of this Section, the installments of interest extended shall not be entitled, in case of an event of default under this Agreement, or Related Documents, to the benefit or security of this Agreement, or Related Documents until the prior payment in full of the principal of and interest on all other Obligations then outstanding.

O. Competent Management. The City shall employ experienced and competent personnel to manage the Wastewater System.

P. Performing Duties. The City will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with respect to the Wastewater System required by State and City laws, including, but not limited to, making and collecting reasonable and sufficient rates and charges for services rendered or furnished by the Wastewater System as required by this Section and the proper segregation and application of the Wastewater System Gross Revenues.

Q. City's Existence. The City will maintain its corporate identity and existence as long as the Obligations remain outstanding unless another political subdivision by operation of law succeeds to the liabilities and rights of the City, without adversely affecting to any substantial degree the privileges and rights of any Owner. However, the City may annex or de-annex land if the City complies with other applicable covenants in this Agreement.

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S. Other Liens. Other than the Outstanding Superior Obligations and Parity Obligations, including this Agreement, there are no liens or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever on or against the Pledged Revenues.

T. Duty With Respect to Pledged Revenues. If the statutes or any ordinance which materially affects the Pledged Revenues, or any part of the ordinances, shall ever be held to be invalid or unenforceable, it shall be the duty of the City to immediately take any legally permissable action necessary to produce sufficient Pledged Revenues to comply with the contracted obligations of this Agreement, except as provided in paragraph U of this Section.

U. Impairment of Contract. The City agrees that any law or ordinance or resolution of the City in any manner affecting the Pledged Revenues or the Outstanding Obligations, or otherwise appertaining thereto, shall not be repealed or otherwise directly or indirectly modified, in such a manner as to impair adversely any Outstanding Obligations, unless

such Outstanding Obligations have been discharged in full or provision has been fully made therefor, or unless the consent of the required percentage of the registered owners of the Outstanding Obligations is obtained pursuant to the ordinance authorizing the issuance of such Obligations.

V. Limitation on Consolidation of Wastewater System. The City shall not, for so long as any of the Outstanding Obligations are Outstanding, consolidate the Wastewater System with the City's water system.

INTERIM PROMISSORY NOTE
($114,000,000 Wastewater Utility System Loan)

To the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED)
Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF)
-also known as-
Wastewater Facility Construction Loan Program

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the **City of Santa Fe** (Borrower) promises to pay the NMED at:

New Mexico Environment Department
Construction Programs Bureau
1190 S. St. Francis Drive
P.O. Box 5469
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

or by electronic funds transfer (EFT)

or at such other place as NMED may hereafter designate in writing, the principal amount of

One Hundred Fourteen Million Dollars ($114,000,000)

or so much of that amount as has been paid by NMED to the Borrower pursuant to the terms of the Interim Loan Agreement (Agreement) or any amendment to the Agreement for CWSRF 140 A-F between NMED and the Borrower plus **0.01% project interest annually** from the date of each respective disbursement annually until paid in full. Effective on the execution of the Agreement.

The principal plus interest due, if applicable, and payable on this Note shall be payable as follows: Principal loaned, and the subsequent interest shall be due and paid according to the Final Promissory Note as described.

Repayment Rate and Schedule

Annual principal and interest payments will commence not later than one year after completion of the project and shall be paid in annual installments due on the anniversary of the first annual installment. A Final Promissory Note will be processed and executed, and the Agreement will be amended and executed as a Final Loan Agreement to reflect the final amount loaned by NMED to Borrower. The principal amount of the Final Promissory Note and Agreement, as amended, will be an amount equal to that loaned and paid to Borrower under this Note.

Source of Repayment

The Borrower is giving a security interest by dedicating the Pledged Funds. The Pledged Funds are defined as **Net Wastewater Utility System Revenue**. Except as stated in the Ordinance, the Pledged Funds have not been pledged to the payment of any outstanding obligations and no other obligations are payable from the Pledged Funds on the date of the Ordinance. The loan will be payable and collectible solely from the Pledged Funds.

Assignment

No assignment by NMED of the right to receive payments under this Note shall affect the Borrower's obligations or rights other than to make payments either by EFT or at the address designated by NMED to the Borrower in writing.

Collection and Default

At the option of NMED, any amount paid by NMED to collect amounts due under this Note or to preserve or protect NMED's rights under the Agreement shall become a part of, and bear interest at the interest rate as set forth in the previous REPAYMENT RATE AND SCHEDULE section above and shall become immediately due and payable by the Borrower to NMED upon demand by NMED. Events of default and remedies upon an event of default as described in the Agreement in COVENANTS are incorporated herein by reference.

Prepayment

The Borrower may prepay all or any part of the principal of this Note without penalty. Extra payments, shall, after payment of interest due, be applied to the reduction of principal. After any prepayment of principal, the Borrower shall continue to pay the amounts listed in the Agreement and Final Promissory Note until the entire principal and interest are paid in full.

Authority

This Note is authorized by the Wastewater Facility Construction Loan Act, NMSA 1978, § 74-6A-1 et seq., as amended, the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations, 20.7.5 NMAC, the New Mexico Environment Department Regulations, 20.7.6 – 20.7.7 NMAC, and the Borrower's Ordinance No. 2024-6.

This Note shall not constitute indebtedness or debt within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory provision, or limitation, nor shall this Note be considered or held to be a general obligation of the Borrower. The obligations of the Borrower under the Agreement and Note are payable and collectible solely out of the Pledged Funds as defined in the Agreement, and NMED or any other holders of the Agreement or Note may not look to any general or municipal fund for the payment of the principal or interest on the Agreement or Note.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Borrower has caused this Note to be duly executed and effective as of the date listed below by the Borrower.

_____
Borrower's Authorized Signature

_____
Borrower's Printed Name

_____
Title

_____
Date

State of _

County of

Signed or attested before me on _____ by _____ ,
Date Witness for City of Sant Fe

_____
Notarial Officer Signature

[Official Stamp] Title of Office: