### **KLAMATH HOUSING AUTHORITY**

# REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS DESIGN-BUILD SERVICES

**FOR A** 

### **SEWER LIFT STATION**

RFQ NUMBER: #2023-01

#### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ) DUE:

**NOT LATER THAN 3:00 PM, 6-21-2023** 

LATE SOQ'S SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Submit SOQ'S to: ATTN: Diana Otero

Klamath Housing Authority

1445 Avalon Street

Klamath Falls, OR. 97603

Refer Questions to: ATTN: Diana Otero

Klamath Housing Authority

1445 Avalon Street

Klamath Falls, OR. 97603 Phone: (541) 331-6726

Email: diana@klamathhousing.org

**Pre-Submittal Conference:** There will not be a pre-submittal conference for

this Solicitation.

Electronic copies of this RFQ attachments and addenda, if any, can be obtained from the Klamath Housing Authority's Website (http://www.klamathhousing.org/)

All SOQ documents shall be submitted in hard copy. Electronic or facsimile submissions shall be rejected.

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# PART 1 PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW

#### 1.1 PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW:

Klamath Housing Authority, a political subdivision of the state of Oregon, ("KHA") requests a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ's) from teams that consist of engineering, and construction firms (the "Team") to provide professional, technical, and construction services (the "Services") related to the design and construction of a sewer lift station (the "Project"). The purpose of this solicitation is to secure Statements of Qualifications (SOQ's) from a team who has prior experience in designing, engineering, and constructing a similar facility in scope and scale.

The Team will be responsible for working with KHA's Project Manager to perform full services for the Project. The Team shall assemble all staff and consultants to complete the Project. The Team shall be responsible for the performance of all team members under the contract.

Design-Build refers to the construction project delivery method in which, among others, KHA holds a single contract with a business entity that has responsibility both to design and to construct a project, and that holds the trade contract.

One design-build team member will contract with KHA for all work and holds all responsibility of project success, performance, and completion.

Qualifications-Based Selection is a procurement process for the selection of professional construction services for public projects. It is a competitive contract procurement process whereby Teams submit qualifications to the owner, who evaluates and selects the most qualified Team, and then negotiates the project scope of work, schedule, budget and price.

#### 1.2 MINIMUM TEAM REQUIREMENTS:

- All Team members must be licensed to practice their trade in the State of Oregon. Insert all Oregon License numbers in the space provided on Attachment 1, Responsibility Determination form.
- At time of contracting, all Team members must be legal entities, currently registered to do business in the State of Oregon (per ORS 60.701).

#### 1.3 PROCUREMENT TIMELINES:

ACTIVITY	DATE (ALL TIMES LOCAL)
RFQ copies available from the Klamath Housing Authority website, and ORPIN	June 1, 2023
Last day to submit questions to KHA	June 12, 2023 No later than 2:00 p.m.
Statements of Qualification due from Team	June 21, 2023 No later than 3:00 p.m.
Notification of standing provided to respondents	June 28, 2023

KHA reserves the right to deviate from the above schedule.

## PART 2 SCOPE OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMMATIC REQUIREMENTS

#### 2.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS:

Klamath Housing Authority currently owns approximately 22 acres of land they wish to develop. A lift station meeting the City of Klamath Falls design standards must be constructed before any housing developments can be completed. It will be the primary source of sewer removal for the 22 acres. This lift station will be constructed on the southeast corner of the property owned by KHA, which is located off Homedale Road in Klamath Falls, OR. See attached map for precise location. This lift station needs to accommodate at least 160 housing units of future development.

A 72-unit multi-family housing development is currently in the design phase and will be dependent on the Project being coordinated and completed within the prescribed timeframe. The Team will need to work in collaboration with the Project Manager of the 72-unit development to successfully complete both projects harmoniously. The planned 72-unit project will be adjacent to the lift station.

#### 2.2 GOALS, VALUES AND OTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS:

Important Project objectives include, but are not limited to the following:

- The project must reflect fiscal responsibility with the use of durable, sensible materials and systems.
- The Project must be efficient, durable, and economical to operate and maintain. The Project is intended to serve all future development on the 22 acres.

#### 2.3 SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The following services are anticipated, and may or may not include other services:

- Design (Schematic, Design Development, Construction Documents)
- Structural
- Civil
- Review, Permitting and Approvals
- Construction Administration
- Construction
- Landscape

#### 2.4 PROJECT BUDGET:

KHA has been granted funds from Klamath County for the completion of this project including all costs and fees. Total costs include construction related expenses, professional design services, construction related services, testing services, permits, and other construction related professional service fees necessary to complete the project. This will be a prevailing wage project. The

prevailing wage rates will be the higher of BOLI or Davis-Bacon, and established as of the date of RFQ issuance. BOLI wage rates are as of January 2023 and Davis-Bacon wage rates are as of March 2023.

#### 2.5 PROJECT DELIVERY:

The Team shall act in the best interest of KHA and use their best efforts to deliver the Project in an expeditious and cost-effective manner consistent with KHA's project requirements, time constraints and budget. In conjunction with KHA, the Team will develop a contractually obligated overall project schedule and will be responsible for methods of construction, safety, scheduling and coordination of all construction work in addition to miscellaneous contracts required for completion of the project within its predetermined budget and schedule.

KHA expects all parties associated with this project to work closely together and appropriately address project conditions to successfully complete the project. A spirit of cooperation, collaboration and commitment among professional design and construction service providers to work in the best interest of KHA is extremely important.

# PART 3 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS REQUIREMENTS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

#### 3.1 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FORMATTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Failure to comply with these instructions may result in the rejection of the proposal.

- 3.1.1 Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) must be submitted on 8.5" x 11" paper. All pages must be numbered.
- 3.1.2 For this RFQ, the maximum total number of pages in the SOQ, excluding attachments, must not exceed fourteen (14) pages. This means 14 single-sided sheets or 7 double-sided sheets. Attachments and supporting documents not specifically required by the RFQ may not be forwarded to the Evaluation Committee. Supporting materials submitted with the SOQ, if any, will not be returned. Pages in excess of the page limitation shall not be forwarded to the Evaluation Committee.
- 3.1.3 The Team must respond to all the questions listed under Section 3.4 *RFQ Questions* and Evaluation Criteria. Evaluation Criteria does not need to be restated.
- 3.1.4 All Teams are required to submit a <u>SIGNED</u> Offeror Representations and Certifications Form [Attachment 1], which will not count against the total page limitation. Failure to sign a completed Offeror Representations and Certifications Form may result in rejection of the proposal.
- 3.1.5 A cover letter is allowed but is not required. If you choose to include a cover letter, it must not exceed one (1) page and must meet the same size and font requirements required by this RFQ. This cover letter does not count against your total page count.

3.1.6 SOQs must be stapled in the left upper corner. Do not use spiral bindings, glue, notebooks, or use other methods of binding the proposal.

#### 3.2 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS SUBMISSION:

A/E Service Providers must submit one 1 original and four (4) complete copies of the SOQ to: Klamath Housing Authority, 1445 Avalon St, Klamath Falls, OR 97603, no later than 3:00 p.m. June 21st, 2023. SOQ's MUST BE <u>TIME STAMPED AT THE RECEPTION DESK BY THE STATED DEADLINE</u>. All proposals that are not time- stamped by the deadline shall be considered late and shall not be considered.

SOQ's shall be submitted in a sealed envelope appropriately marked with the RFQ title, RFQ number, and the name and address of the lead Team member.

#### 3.3 EVALUATION PROCESS:

This Request for Qualifications is to secure the services of the successful Team for design and construction of the Project. KHA will designate an Evaluation Committee to review RFQ responses. The Evaluation Committee will consist of at least four (4) members (each an "Evaluator").

After reviewing each SOQ submitted, each evaluator independently assigns a score to each evaluation criterion based on the written SOQ's. KHA may contact any references listed in the SOQ to verify qualifications and performance of the Team under previous contract conditions and work situations.

Next, the KHA evaluators will meet for an Evaluation Session to share their findings from each SOQ. Each evaluator may then independently revise their draft scores and finalize them. Final scoring by each evaluator will then be summed. The highest scoring Team will be identified and notified they have been chosen.

#### 3.4 RFQ QUESTIONS and EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following are the Request for Qualifications criteria and maximum score available for each:

## Relevant Experience – 60 Points Maximum (Part of maximum allowed SOQ page count):

Describe your Team's experience in providing services in the design and construction of at least three (3) projects similar in size and type to the proposed project listed in this SOQ. When citing specific example projects, always clarify the following:

- The name, location, client entity and year of completion of the project
- Size and final cost of the built project. Projects in progress may be described with the current anticipated size and estimated cost.
- Define the roles each member of your project team had, if any, on the project.

 Project references for each project should include the names, position or role and current contact information for client representatives or other persons who became familiar with your firm's work and performance on the project.

## Project Team – 40 Points Maximum (Part of maximum allowed SOQ page count):

Identify your Team's proposed team members, their proposed roles and responsibilities for the Project, and any special background, experience or talents that would be relevant for this project.

#### **Detailed Resumes:**

• Detailed resumes may be provided as part of the Appendix, which will not count as part of the maximum limit of total pages for the SOQ.

#### Additional References:

 Additional references that may be contacted by KHA may be included in the Appendix, which will not count as part of the maximum limit of total pages for the SOQ.

# PART 4 GENERAL KHA PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

#### 4.1 PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE REQUIREMENTS:

#### 4.1.1 CLARIFICATION OR PROTEST OF SPECIFICATIONS:

Any Team requiring clarification of the information or protesting any provision herein, must submit specific questions or protests to specifications in writing to:

ATTN: Diana Otero 1445 Avalon St

Klamath Falls, OR 97603 Phone: (541) 331-6726

E-Mail: diana@klamathhousing.org

The deadline for submitting such questions or protests to specifications is no later than 2:00 p.m. on *June 12, 2023*. If KHA determines that additional information or clarification is necessary, such information or clarification will be supplied in addenda, which will be posted to the KHA website and ORPIN. All such addenda shall have the same binding effect as though contained in the main body of the RFQ. Oral instructions or information concerning the specifications of the project from KHA managers, employees or agents to prospective Teams shall not bind KHA. KHA shall issue all Addenda not less than three (3) calendar days prior to the proposal deadline.

#### 4.2 RFQ TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- **A. COST OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION** Responses to this RFQ do not commit KHA to pay any costs incurred by any Team in the submission of a proposal. The Team assumes the sole risk and responsibility for all expenses connected with the preparation of its SOQ.
- **B. CLARIFICATION OF SPECIFICATIONS** Any Team requiring clarification of information must submit specific questions in writing to the contact person named on the cover sheet of this RFQ no less than seven (7) days before the date SOQs are due.
- **C. ADDENDUM** Any change to this RFQ shall be made by written addendum. KHA is not responsible for any explanation, clarification or approval made or given orally or in any manner other than by addendum.
- **D. CANCELLATION** KHA reserves the right to cancel this RFQ solicitation or award of the contract at any time before execution of the contract by both parties if cancellation is deemed to be in KHA's best interest. In no event shall KHA have any liability for the cancellation of RFQ or award.
- E. REJECTION OF SOQ KHA reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this RFQ.
- **F. LATE STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION** Late **SOQs** will not be accepted and will be returned to the Team unopened.
- **G. DISPUTES** In case of any doubt or differences of opinions as to the items or service to be furnished hereunder, or the interpretation of the provisions of the RFQ, the decision of KHA shall be final and binding upon all parties.
- **H. CLARIFICATION OF RESPONSES** KHA reserves the right to request clarification of any item in an SOQ or to request additional information necessary to properly evaluate a particular SOQ. Requests for clarification and responses shall be in writing. Requests for clarification and responses shall be provided to each evaluation committee member, except for requests and responses related to a clarification necessary to evaluate whether a proposal has met minimum requirements.
- I. PUBLIC RECORD/CONFIDENTIALITY OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION All SOQs are public record and are subject to public inspection after KHA issues the Notice of the Intent to Award. If a Team believes that any portion of its SOQ contains any information that is a trade secret under ORS Chapter 192.501(2) or otherwise is exempt from disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law ORS Chapter 192, Team shall complete and submit the Trade Secret Form (Attachment 2) and a fully redacted version of its Proposal.

Team is cautioned that cost information generally is not considered a trade secret under Oregon Public Records Law ORS Chapter 192 and identifying the Proposal, in whole, as exempt from disclosure is not acceptable. KHA advises each Team to consult with its own legal counsel regarding disclosure issues.

If a Team fails to identify the portions of the Proposal that Team claims are exempt from disclosure, Team has waived any future claim of non-disclosure of that information.

**J. CONFLICT OF INTEREST** A Team submitting an SOQ thereby certifies that no officer, agent or employee of KHA who has a pecuniary interest in this RFQ has participated in the contract negotiations on the part KHA, that the SOQ is made in good faith without fraud,

collusion or connection of any kind with any other Team of the same call for proposals, and that the Team is competing solely in its own behalf without connection with or obligation to, any undisclosed person or firm.

**K. REFERENCES** KHA reserves the right to investigate Teams' record of performance beyond references listed in the proposal. Investigation may include past performance of any Team with respect to its performance of similar projects, compliance with specifications and contractual obligations, its completion or delivery of a project on schedule, and its lawful payment of employees and subcontractors.

**L. ACCEPTANCE** KHA reserves the right to accept the proposal deemed to be the most beneficial to the public and KHA, and to waive any irregularities of informalities in any proposals.

End of RFQ

"General Decision Number: OR20230007 03/17/2023

Superseded General Decision Number: OR20220007

State: Oregon

Construction Type: Residential

County: Klamath County in Oregon.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (consisting of single family homes and apartments up to and including 4 stories).

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60).

IIf the contract is entered linto on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an |. The contractor must pay option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:

- Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.
- all covered workers at least \$16.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2023.

|If the contract was awarded on|. Executive Order 13658 or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:

- generally applies to the contract.
- The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$12.15 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2023.

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

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#### CARP1503-002 07/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes		
Carpenters:				
Including Form Work-Multi Unit Including Form Work-Single	.\$ 34.13	13.81		
Unit	.\$ 31.42	13.81		
ELEC0659-009 01/01/2023				
	Rates	Fringes		
ELECTRICIAN	.\$ 31.74	15.61		
* ENGI0701-017 01/01/2023				
	Rates	Fringes		
POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR				
GROUP 2	.\$ 52.22	16.65		
GROUP 3	.\$ 51.07	16.65		
GROUP 4	.\$ 47.74	16.65		
GROUP 5		16.65		
GROUP 6	.\$ 43.28	16.65		

#### POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATORS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 2: BULLDOZERS: Bulldozer operator over 120,000 lbs and above; Bulldozer operator, twin engine; Bulldozer Operator,tandem, quadnine, D10, D11, and similar type; LOADERS: Loader operator, 120,000 lbs. and above; HYDRAULIC HOES-EXCAVATOR: Excavator over 130,000 lbs; Blade Operator-Robotic; Rubber tired scraper with tandom scrapers, multi-engine

GROUP 3: BULLDOZERS: Bulldozer operator, over 70,000 lbs. up to and including 120,000 lbs.; HYDRAULIC HOES-EXCAVATOR: excavator over 80,000 lbs. through 130,000 lbs.; LOADERS: Loader operator 60,000 and less than 120,000; Rubber Tired Scraper: with tandom scrapers; self loading, paddle wheel, auger type, finish and/or 2 or more units.

GROUP 4: BULLDOZERS: Bulldozer Operator over 20,000 lbs and more than 100 horse up to 70,000 lbs; HYDRAULIC HOES EXCAVATOR/TRACKHOE: Robotic Hydraulic backhoe operator, track and wheel type up to and including 20,0000 lbs. with any or all attachments; Excavator Operator over 20,000 lbs through 80,000 lbs.; LOADERS: Loaders Operator, front end and overhead, 25,000 lbs and less than 60,000 lbs; Rubber-tired dozers; Asphalt Paver; Screed Operator; Blade Operator; Rubber-Tired Scraper, single engine, single scraper.

GROUP 5: Roller Operator; BULLDOZERS: Bulldozer operator, 20,000 lbs. or less or 100 horse or less; HYDRAULIC HOES EXCAVATORS/TRACKHOE: Hydraulic Backhoe Operator, wheel type (Ford, John Deere, Case type); Hydraulic Backhoe Operator track type up to and including 20,000 lbs.; LOADERS: Loaders, rubber- tired type, less than 25,000 lbs; Concrete Pumper; Concrete Paver

GROUP 6: LOADERS: (less than 1 cu yd.); Grade checker; Roller (Non-Asphalt)

Zone Differential (add to Zone 1 rates):

Zone 2 - \$3.00 Zone 3 - \$6.00

> For the following metropolitan counties: MULTNOMAH; CLACKAMAS; MARION; WASHINGTON; YAMHILL; AND COLUMBIA; CLARK; AND COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON WITH MODIFICATIONS AS INDICATED:

> All jobs or projects located in Multnomah, Clackamas and Marion Counties, West of the western boundary of Mt. Hood National Forest and West of Mile Post 30 on Interstate 84 and West of Mile Post 30 on State Highway 26 and West of Mile Post 30 on Highway 22 and all jobs or projects located in Yamhill County, Washington County and Columbia County and all jobs or porjects located in Clark & Cowlitz County, Washington except that portion of Cowlitz County in the Mt. St. Helens ""Blast Zone" shall receive Zone I pay for all classifications.

All jobs or projects located in the area outside the identified boundary above, but less than 50 miles from the Portland City Hall shall receive Zone II pay for all classifications.

All jobs or projects located more than 50 miles from the Portland City Hall, but outside the identified border above, shall receive Zone III pay for all classifications.

For the following cities: ALBANY; BEND; COOS BAY; EUGENE; GRANTS PASS; KLAMATH FALLS; MEDFORD; ROSEBURG

All jobs or projects located within 30 miles of the respective city hall of the above mentioned cities shall receive Zone I pay for all classifications.

All jobs or projects located more than 30 miles and less than 50 miles from the respective city hall of the above mentioned cities shall receive Zone II pay for all classifications.

All jobs or projects located more than 50 miles from the respective city hall of the above mentioned cities shall receive Zone III pay for all classifications.

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LABO0737-005 06/01/2022

Rates Fringes Laborers: (Mason Tender-Cement/Concrete).....\$ 38.79 \_\_\_\_\_\_ LAB00737-009 06/01/2022 Rates Fringes

Laborers: GENERAL LABORER.....\$ 34.98

PLAS0555-003 06/01/2022

Rates Fringes

CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...\$ 39.97 21.17

TEAM0037-008 06/01/2020

	Rates	Fringes
Truck drivers:		
GROUP 1	\$ 29.33	16.40
GROUP 2	\$ 29.20	16.40
GROUP 3	\$ 29.34	16.40
GROUP 4	\$ 29.62	16.40
GROUP 5	\$ 29.85	16.40
GROUP 6	\$ 30.03	16.40
GROUP 7	\$ 30.24	16.40

#### TRUCK DRIVERS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: up to and including 10 cu. yds.

GROUP 2: Dump trcuks/articulated dumps 6 cu to 10 cu.;

GROUP 3: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: over 10 cu. yds. and including 30 cu. yds., includes articulated dump trucks

GROUP 4: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: over 30 cu. yds. and including 50 cu. yds. and includes articulated dump trucks

GROUP 5: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: over 50 cu. yds. and including 60 cu. yds. and includes articulated dump trucks

GROUP 6: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: over 60 cu. yds. and including 80 cu. yds. and includes articulated dump trucks

GROUP 7: Dump trucks, side, end and bottom dumps: over 80 cu. yds. and including 100 cu. yds., includes articulated dump trucks

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\* SUOR2009-005 10/16/2009

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the

<sup>\*\*</sup> Workers in this classification may be entitled to a higher minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$16.20) or 13658 (\$12.15). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information.

Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

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The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of ""identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

#### Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

#### Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the ""SU"" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average

calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

- 1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:
- \* an existing published wage determination
- \* a survey underlying a wage determination
- \* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- \* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour National Office because National Office has responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations Wage and Hour Division U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISIO"