Administrative Conditions

1. General Terms and Conditions

The recipient agrees to comply with the current EPA general terms and conditions available at: http://www.epa.gov/ogd/tc_jan_2014.pdf. These terms and conditions are in addition to the assurances and certifications made as part of the award and the terms, conditions or restrictions cited below.

The EPA repository for the general terms and conditions by year can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/ogd/tc.htm.


Pursuant to 40 CFR 30.52(a)(1) or 31.41(b), the recipient agrees to submit to EPA an annual Federal Financial Report (FFR) (SF-425) when the budget period is longer than one year. The following reporting period end dates shall be used for interim reports: 3/31, 6/30, 9/30, or 12/31. Interim reports shall be submitted no later than 90 days after the end of each reporting period.

The form is available on the internet at http://www.epa.gov/financial/forms. All FFRs must be submitted to the Las Vegas Finance Center (LVFC) via email LVFC-grants@epa.gov or fax at 702-798-2423.

3. Utilization of Small, Minority and Women's Business Enterprises

GENERAL COMPLIANCE, 40 CFR, Part 33
The recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program for procurement activities under assistance agreements, contained in 40 CFR, Part 33.

FAIR SHARE OBJECTIVES, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D
A recipient must negotiate with the appropriate EPA award official, or his/her designee, fair share objectives for MBE and WBE participation in procurement under the financial assistance agreements.

In accordance with 40 CFR, Section 33.411 some recipients may be exempt from the fair share objectives requirements described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D. Recipients should work with their DBE coordinator, if they think their organization may qualify for an exemption.

Current Fair Share Objective/Goal
The dollar amount of this assistance agreement or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's financial assistance agreements in the current federal fiscal year from EPA is $250,000, or more. The DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT has negotiated the following, applicable MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals with EPA as follows:

MBE: SUPPLIES 2.0; SERVICES 5.0; EQUIPMENT 3.0
WBE:  SUPPLIES 3.0; SERVICES 3.0; EQUIPMENT 7.0

Negotiating Fair Share Objectives/Goals
In accordance with 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D, established goals/objectives remain in effect for three fiscal years unless there are significant changes to the data supporting the fair share objectives. The recipient is required to follow requirements as outlined in 40 CFR Part 33, Subpart D when renegotiating the fair share objectives/goals.

SIX GOOD FAITH EFFORTS, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart C
Pursuant to 40 CFR, Section 33.301, the recipient agrees to make the following good faith efforts whenever procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies under an EPA financial assistance agreement, and to require that sub-recipients, loan recipients, and prime contractors also comply. Records documenting compliance with the six good faith efforts shall be retained:

(a) Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and Local and Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
(b) Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.

(c) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.

(d) Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.

(e) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

(f) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section.

**MBE/WBE REPORTING, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart E**

MBE/WBE reporting is limited to annual reports and only required for assistance agreements where one or more of the following conditions are met:

(a) there are any funds budgeted in the contractual, equipment or construction lines of the award;
(b) $3,000 or more is included for supplies; or
(c) there are funds budgeted for subawards or loans in which the expected budget(s) meet the conditions as described in items (a) and (b).

Based on EPA’s review of the proposed budget, this award likely meets one or more of the conditions as described above, therefore, the recipient agrees to complete and submit a “MBE/WBE Utilization Under Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Interagency Agreements” report (EPA Form 5700-52A) on an annual basis.

However, if this award does not meet the conditions as described above, the recipient should provide the EPA Grant Specialist with a justification and budget details indicating that based on the planned budget, this award is not subject to the DBE reporting requirements.

When completing the annual report, recipients are instructed to check the box titled “annual” in section 1B of the form. For the last report, recipients are instructed to check the box indicated for the “last report” of the project in section 1B of the form. Annual reports are due by October 30th of each year. Last reports are due 90 days after the end of the project period.

The reporting requirement is based on planned procurements. Recipients with funds budgeted for non-supply procurement and/or $3,000 or more in supplies are required to report annually whether the planned procurements take place during the reporting period or not. If no procurements take place during the reporting period, the recipient should check the box in section 5B when completing the form.

MBE/WBE reports should be signed and emailed to R3_MBE-WBE_Reports@epa.gov as a pdf file, or if that is not possible, mailed to Cynthia Burrows, Diversity/EEO Manager (3DA10), U.S. EPA - Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029 with a courtesy copy to the Grants Specialist. The current EPA Form 5700-52A can be found at the EPA Office of Small Business Program’s Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/osbp/dbe_reporting.htm

This provision represents an approved deviation from the MBE/WBE reporting requirements as described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Section 33.502; however, the other requirements outlined in 40 CFR Part 33 remain in effect, including the Fair Share Objectives negotiation as described in 40 CFR Part 33 Subpart D.

**CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS, 40 CFR, Section 33.302**

The recipient agrees to comply with the contract administration provisions of 40 CFR, Section 33.302.

**BIDDERS LIST, 40 CFR, Section 33.501(b) and (c)**
Recipients of a Continuing Environmental Program Grant or other annual reporting grant, agree to create and maintain a bidders list. Recipients of an EPA financial assistance agreement to capitalize a revolving loan fund also agree to require entities receiving identified loans to create and maintain a bidders list if the recipient of the loan is subject to, or chooses to follow, competitive bidding requirements. Please see 40 CFR, Section 33.501 (b) and (c) for specific requirements and exemptions.

**Programmatic Conditions**

1. Performance Reports - Part 31

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. §31.40, the recipient agrees to submit performance reports that include brief information on each of the following areas; 1) a comparison of actual accomplishments to the outputs/outcomes established in the assistance agreement work plan for the period; 2) the reasons for slippage if established outputs/outcomes were not met; and 3) additional pertinent information, including, when appropriate, analysis and information of cost overruns or high unit costs.

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. §31.40 (d), the recipient agrees to inform EPA as soon as problems, delays or adverse conditions become known which will materially impair the ability to meet the outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan.