

Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation

Agency of Natural Resources

FFA - STANDARD ARPA GRANT AGREEMENT

- <u>Parties</u>: This is a Grant Agreement between the State of Vermont, Department of Environmental Conservation (hereinafter called "State"), and Town of Middlebury with principal place of business at 77 Main St, Middlebury, VT 05753, (hereinafter called "Subrecipient"). It is the Subrecipient's responsibility to contact the Vermont Department of Taxes to determine if, by law, the Subrecipient is required to have a Vermont Department of Taxes Business Account Number.
- 2. <u>Subject Matter</u>: The subject matter of this Grant Agreement is funds to install a new automated pH adjustment system, pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and the U.S. Department of the Treasury Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Award Terms and Conditions, attached hereto. Detailed scope to be provided by the Subrecipient are described in Attachment A.
- 3. <u>Maximum Amount</u>: In consideration of the scope of work to be performed, the State agrees to pay Subrecipient, in accordance with the payment provisions specified in Attachment B, a sum not to exceed \$130,645.00. Attachment B, Payment Provision provides details on how the grantee will be reimbursed. This grant award cannot be used as a match for the purpose of obtaining additional federal funds by the Subrecipient without written approval from the State.
- 4. <u>Procurement</u>: The Subrecipient certifies that for any equipment, supplies, and/or services outside of their organization, that they have and will follow their procurement policy.
- 5. <u>Ownership and Disposition Assets</u>: At the end of the grant term, Sub-awardee will retain any pipes, valves, pumps, tanks, or other equipment installed under the grant agreement and described in the scope of work for the same use and intended purpose as outlined in this agreement.

6.	Source of Funds:	General	\underline{X} Federal	_	Other
	\$		\$130,645.00	\$	Fund

a. For grants funded with federal dollars only.

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	CFDA Title	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund
	CFDA Number	21.027
	Award Name	American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Vermont State
		Recovery Fund
	Award Number	SLFRP4407
	Award Year	2021
	Federal Granting Agency	US Department of the Treasury
	Research and Development Gran	it ? \Box Yes \boxtimes No

- 7. <u>Grant Term</u>: The period of Subrecipient's performance shall begin upon date of execution, signified by the date of signature by the State and end on September 30, 2026.
- 8. <u>Amendment:</u> No changes, modifications, or amendments in the terms and conditions of this Grant Agreement shall be effective unless reduced to writing, numbered, and signed by the duly authorized representative of the State and Subrecipient. No amendment will be considered without a detailed justification to support the amendment request. Failure to provide an adequate justification may result in the denial of the request. Any request for an amendment to this agreement must be made in writing at least 30 days prior to the end date of this agreement or the request may be denied.

- 9. <u>Cancellation</u>: This Grant Agreement may be cancelled by either party by giving written notice at least 30 days in advance.
- 10. Fiscal Year: The Subrecipient's fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30.
- 11. <u>Work product ownership</u>: Upon full payment by the State, all products of the Subrecipient's work, including outlines, reports, charts, sketches, drawings, artwork, plans, photographs, specifications, estimates, computer programs, or similar documents, become the sole property of the State of Vermont and may not be copyrighted or resold by Subrecipient.
- 12. <u>Attachments</u>: This Grant consists of the following attachments that are incorporated herein:

Attachment A – Scope of Work to be Performed Attachment B – Budget and Payment Provisions Attachment C – Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants Attachment D – Other Grant and Contract Provisions Attachment E – State Fiscal Recovery Quarterly Project Report Template Attachment F – State Fiscal Recovery Fund Program Assurances Attachment G – Terms and Conditions for Federal Subrecipients Attachment H – Program Quarterly Project Report Template Attachment I – Wastewater Monitoring Report Form Template

Legal Name and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) on File with the <u>www.sam.gov</u> (1):

F3VRVGP3FNB9 Print Legal Name

Did this business or organization (the legal entity to which the UEI provided belongs) receive (1) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in U.S. federal contracts, subcontracts, loans, grants, subgrants, and/or cooperative agreements; and (2) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from U.S. federal contracts, subcontracts, loans, grants, subgrants, and/or cooperative agreements?*:

Town of Middlebury

UEI (2)

 \Box Yes \Box No

If yes, please list the top five highest paid senior executive salaries that are not available to the public:

/E, THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES, AGREE	TO BE BOUND BY THIS GRANT.	
STATE OF VERMONT SUBRECIPIENT		
By:	By:	
Commissioner	Name: (Print)	
Dept of Environmental Conservation	Title:	
Date:	Date:	

Attachment A Scope of Work to be Performed

Part or All of the Scope May be Sub-awarded

 <u>Project Overview</u>: Through a Request for Proposals, Vermont municipalities applied on behalf of private businesses to serve as pass-through entities for eligible pretreatment projects. In this project, the Subrecipient will be signing a sub-award with WhistlePig Whiskey, hereinafter called "Sub-awardee." The project is for the Sub-awardee to install a new automated pH adjustment system. The goal of this system is to adjust Sub-awardee's variable pH wastewater to 6.5-7.5 standard units, which will allow for the safe discharge of wastewater to the Subrecipient's publicly owned treatment works (POTW).

SFR Program	Infrastructure
SFR Expenditure Category	EC 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment
SFR Project Name	Wastewater Pretreatment-MiddleburyWhistlePig Whiskey- Act74-G.700(a)(2)(B)
SFR Project ID No.	ANR-6140892204-014
Primary Place of Performance	793 Exchange St, Middlebury, VT 05753
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit # (if applicable)	VT0100188
Public Water System ID # (if applicable)	N/A
Median Household Income for Service Area	\$61,932.00
Lowest Quintile Income for Service Area	\$14,244.00

Table 1. SFR Program Information

- 2. <u>Compliance</u>: Subrecipient will ensure that all applicable federal, tribal, state, and local permits are applied for, obtained, and complied with.
- 3. <u>Statement of Need</u>: Influent that is highly acidic or basic can damage a collection system and throw off a POTW's ability to function as intended. Highly acidic or basic influent can also cause a POTW to exceed its permit limits. The pH of a distillery can range from 3 to 11, depending on the stage of the process, and the current pH adjustment system is difficult to use and sometimes leads to discharges of highly acidic or basic wastewater. The project will ensure the wastewater will have a pH of 6.5-7.5, eliminating the occurrences of high or low pH discharge.
- 4. <u>Population Served</u>: According to the US Census Bureau, Middlebury has a total population of 9,158 (2022). The percentage of young people (under 18 years of age) in the area is 11.9%, and the percentage of elderly people (ages 65+) is 21.1% (2022). For reference, the state of Vermont has 17.7% youth and 21.6% elderly (2022). Per the Addison County Regional Economic Development Corporation, there are 500-600 physical businesses in Middlebury. Six industrial users connect to the wastewater treatment system, three of which are significant industrial users (SIUs).
- 5. <u>Scope of Work</u>: The Subrecipient shall ensure the completion of the following related to the pretreatment project:
 - a. Ensure subaward agreement is executed with Sub-awardee.

- b. Ensure use of Permit Navigator to determine which permits could be required and request a jurisdictional opinion on whether an ACT 250 permit is required for the project.
 - i. Provide results of Permit Navigator.
- c. Ensure the submission of a sampling plan for process wastewater with the necessary quality assurance and quality control samples in accordance with Title 40 CFR Part 136¹. The plan shall include:
 - i. Description of the samples to be collected, sampling frequency, sampling methodologies, sample type (grab, batch, time-based composite, flow-proportioned composite), discharge period (8-hour, 24-hour, etc.), description of sample point and sample point ID (effluent weir, batch discharge tank, etc.), and analysis methods.
- d. Ensure the collection of process wastewater samples prior to installation of the pretreatment system.
- e. Ensure the provision of the results of pre-installation process wastewater sampling to the State. Provide data in pdf and Excel formats via one completed Wastewater Monitoring Report Form (WR-43). The documents shall include data on:
 - i. Average and maximum process wastewater flow in gallons per day (gpd)
 - ii. Future average and future maximum flow projections (gpd)
 - iii. pH
 - iv. Other project-specific pollutants, if applicable, as defined by the Sub-awardee (concentration and mass)
- f. Ensure submission of a draft basis of design. The document must be prepared by a Vermont Professional Engineer (P.E) with experience in industrial wastewater treatment design & construction.
 - i. Provide 90% completed basis of design of wastewater pretreatment system the desired outcomes articulated in the Project Overview. The State is available as a resource to provide feedback.
- g. Ensure the design of a full-scale process wastewater pretreatment system. All the documents shall be prepared by a Vermont P.E. with experience in industrial wastewater treatment design & construction.
 - i. Provide 100% final basis of design for project in accordance with the State's Basis for Final Design Guidance Document².
 - ii. Provide project schedule for the planning, permitting, design, construction, and operation of the pretreatment system.
 - iii. Provide a plan of operations which substantiates that the Pretreatment Permit effluent limits will be met during all stages of construction and during periods of equipment start-up and switch-over. The plan of operations shall include the following:
 - 1. If the business intends to halt normal operations while installing the pretreatment system, and if so, for how long normal operations will cease.
 - 2. All contingency plans if the business does or does not plan to shut down.
 - 3. The waste hauler on call, including backups, should the need arise to truck waste off site.
 - 4. How the municipality will be informed prior to the new system coming online.
 - 5. All waste streams and their destinations.
 - 6. Whose responsibility it would be to mitigate an issue with the pretreatment system and cover the potential costs associated if an issue were to occur.

¹https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapter-D/part-136

²https://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/wsm/wastewater/docs/Basis-for-Final-Design.pdf

- 7. Who would be the point of contact to notify the State in the event an incident occurs.
- h. Ensure the construction and installation of the pretreatment system designed in item g above.
 - i. Provide stamped certification of completion by Vermont P.E. that the pretreatment system is operational and capable of complying with the applicable effluent limitations.
 - ii. Provide record drawings with engineer's certification.
- i. Ensure site visit with walk-through of wastewater pretreatment system, including pH monitoring and treatment.
 - i. Include the following language in the subaward:
 - "Provide proof of the systems installation via a site visit conducted by the State."
 - ii. Schedule site visit with the State and Sub-awardee.
- j. Ensure sampling of process wastewater after installation of the equipment. Provide data in pdf and Excel formats via one completed WR-43 form with weekly sampling data for BOD₅, TSS, and TP and corresponding lab reports. The report shall include data on:
 - i. Average and maximum process wastewater flow in gallons per day (gpd)
 - ii. Future average and future maximum flow projections (gpd)
 - iii. pH
 - iv. Other project-specific pollutants, if applicable, as defined by the Sub-awardee (concentration and mass)
- k. Ensure the provision of quality control measures.
 - i. Calibration logs from the same month as section J above.
 - ii. Standard Operating Procedure to maintain pH equipment.
 - 1. Calibration schedule for the in-line pH meter.
 - iii. Post-installation passing proficiency test result.
 - iv. Calibration schedule for the in-line flow meter.

	#	Milestone	Deliverable	Due Date
	1	Create agreement with Sub-awardee	a. Provide signed copy of Sub-awardee agreement	May 31, 2024
	2	Complete Permit Navigator Questionnaire	a. Provide copy of Permit Navigator results	May 31, 2024
ntation	3	Sample current process wastewater	a. Provide process wastewater sampling plan	May 31, 2024
mpleme	4	Draft full-scale process wastewater pretreatment system basis of design	a. Provide draft 90% completed basis of design	June 30, 2024
Project Implementation	5	Plan/design process wastewater pretreatment system	Provide the following:a. 100% completed final project designb. Project schedulec. Plan of operations	September 30, 2024
	6	Install pretreatment equipment	Provide the following:a. Stamped certification of completion by Vermont P.E. that the pretreatment system is operational and capable of	March 30, 2026

Table 2. Pretreatment System Milestones and Deliverables Schedule

	7	Quarterly Progress Tracking	 complying with the applicable effluent limitations b. Record drawings with PE's certification Note: The Secretary will issue a written acknowledgment of the operational status of the pretreatment system. Provide the following: a. ARPA SFR Quarterly Progress Report (Attachment E) b. Programmatic Progress Report (Attachment H) 	Due 5 days after the close of each quarter (December 31 st , March 31 st , June 30 th , September 30 th) for the life of the agreement
	8	Program Quarterly Meetings	a. Meet with the State and Sub-awardee together, either in-person or virtually	Due within the month following each quarter. The State reserves the right to delay or cancel the meeting.
	9	Pretreatment system inspection	a. Schedule site visit with the State	June 30, 2026
ables are received)	10	Sample process wastewater	 a. Provide one month of post- implementation data on neutralized process water via one completed WR- 43 with daily pH data 	June 30, 2026
Final Deliverables (A minimum of 10% held until final deliver	11	Quality control measures	 Provide the following: a. Calibration logs from the same month as section j b. Standard Operating Procedure to maintain pH equipment a. Calibration schedule for the in-line pH meter c. Post-installation passing proficiency test result d. Calibration schedule for in-line flow meter 	June 30, 2026
(A mini	10	Final ARPA Reporting	a. Submit SFR Quarterly Progress Report (Section 1 of Attachment E) and Annual Performance Measure Information (Section 3 of Attachment E).	Due with final invoice

* Due dates for interim deliverables can be extended upon written approval by the State.

6. <u>Results</u>:

- a. Performance Measure 1: Number of wastewater pretreatment systems implemented/upgraded
- b. Performance Measure 2: Number of final (100%) designs completed
- c. Performance Measure 3: Amount of neutralized wastewater with a pH of 6.5 7.5 sent to POTW over the course of one month (gallons per day)
- 7. <u>Evaluation</u>: Subrecipient will be assessed against all the reporting requirements in this agreement. Subrecipient must complete deliverables in a timely and complete manner to receive payment.
- 8. <u>Equity Impact</u>: According to the US Census Bureau, the town of Middlebury has a BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) population of 15.4% (2020). In comparison, Vermont has a BIPOC population of 10.2% (2020). The median household income for the area is \$ 78,611.00, while the median household income for Vermont is \$74,014.00 (2022).

9. <u>Reporting</u>:

- a. Subrecipient is required to submit quarterly progress reports for the quarters ending December 31, March 31, June 30, and September 30 on the templates provided by the State (Attachments E and H) by the 5th day after the end of each quarter. Subrecipient is required to meet with the State, either in-person or virtually, within the month following each quarter.
- b. Subrecipient shall submit a Final ARPA Report with the last invoice. The final report shall consist of SFR Quarterly Progress Report (Section 1 of Attachment E) and Annual Performance Measure Information (Section 3 of Attachment E).

10. Other Requirements:

- a. Subrecipient shall follow prevailing Vermont wage rates.
- b. When bidding contracts using Federal funds, the Subrecipient must consider applicable Federal procedures for solicitation and award and required contract clauses. The basic authority for the Federal requirements, the Federal Office of Management and Budget's "Uniform Guidance", is 2 CFR Part 200.

https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/subtitle-A/chapter-II/part-200?toc=1

c. Subrecipient will own and operate and maintain (in good condition) the Project for its useful life (or cause it to be so operated and maintained).

Attachment B

Payment Provisions

- 1. This grant is a performance-based grant with cost reimbursable payment terms. Payments made to the Subrecipient by the State are based on the submittal of monthly invoices including a date range in which activities on this grant were undertaken. Subrecipient is required to keep documentation of all expenses reported to the State and submit those documents with each invoice. Invoices must be submitted on the Attached Form 430.
- 2. The State will measure sufficient progress by examining the performance required under the workplan in conjunction with the milestone schedule, the time remaining for performance within the project period, and/or the availability of funds necessary to complete the project. The State may terminate the assistance agreement for failure to ensure reasonable completion of the project within the project period.

3. <u>Risk-Based Assessment:</u>

Table 3. Risk Level: High

Risk Level	Monitoring Requirements	
High	- This grant is deemed high risk in accordance with the States granting plan. Subrecipient is required	
	to submit at minimum, quarterly progress reports. Progress reports must include: summary of	
	progress made on deliverables within reporting timeframe, milestone status updates,	
	technical/cost/schedule issues encountered, and work planned for next period.	

- a. These monitoring requirements are required deliverables even when not listed explicitly in the deliverables table in Attachment A.
- b. If you are required to have a Single Audit, you are to report to the State the audit, findings, Management Response Letter including corrective actions within 9 months after the end of your fiscal year.
- 4. <u>Final Payment:</u> Final payment will be paid upon receipt and satisfactory review of all deliverables, as described in the scope of work, a final financial report documenting expenditure of 100% of grant funds, and where appropriate, documentation of required match.

5. The Subrecipient shall:

Include a copy of all receipts for costs requested for reimbursement.

6. Other Provisions

- a. Pre-award costs starting March 3, 2021, are allowable under this agreement as determined by the Grant Manager and as related to the scope of work in Attachment A.
- b. All invoices must be received within 90 days after the end date of this agreement. Any invoices received after 90 days may not be honored.
- c. Subrecipient is conferred blanket approval from the State to execute any subgrant or subcontracts associated with this Agreement and related amendments according to Attachment C, #19. As part of the procurement process, the Subrecipient must verify and document that none of its subcontractors/subgrantees are listed on the federal debarment list located at https://sam.gov/content/home or the State debarment list maintained by the Vermont Buildings and General Services (BGS) and located at: https://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/debarment. Both the name of the entity and name of the primary point of contact must be checked.

Upload all completed forms to: https://anronline.vermont.gov/home



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Form 430 Request for Funds

Form must be filled out entirely before payment is released

Grant #: 06140-2023-ARPA-PT13

Subrecipient Name: Town of Middlebury

Payment#:

Amount Requested:

Date:

Table 5. Detailed Grant Budget

Date Range:

Budget Categories	Budget Amount	Amount Previously Invoiced	Amount Requested	Remaining Amount
Project Implementation	\$117,580.00			
Final Deliverables (A minimum of 10% of total award held until final deliverables received)	\$13,065.00			
Total	\$130,645.00			

Approvals for Payment

Signed by:

Subrecipient:

Title:

The Subrecipient certifies that deliverables being billed on this invoice have been completed as outlined in the grant agreement.

Please upload this form to: https://anronline.vermont.gov/home

ATTACHMENT C: STANDARD STATE PROVISIONS FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS Revised December 7, 2023

1. Definitions: For purposes of this Attachment, "Party" shall mean the Contractor, Grantee, or Subrecipient, with whom the State of Vermont is executing this Agreement and consistent with the form of the Agreement. "Agreement" shall mean the specific contract or grant to which this form is attached.

2. Entire Agreement: This Agreement, whether in the form of a contract, State-funded grant, or Federallyfunded grant, represents the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter. All prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, and understandings shall have no effect. Where an authorized individual is either required to click-through or otherwise accept, or made subject to, any electronic terms and conditions to use or access any product or service provided hereunder, such terms and conditions are not binding and shall have no force or effect. Further, any terms and conditions of Party's invoice, acknowledgment, confirmation, or similar document, shall not apply, and any such terms and conditions on any such document are objected to without need of further notice or objection.

3. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue; No Waiver of Jury Trial: This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Vermont without resort to conflict of laws principles. Any action or proceeding brought by either the State or the Party in connection with this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Civil Division, Washington Unit. The Party irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of this court for any action or proceeding regarding this Agreement. The Party agrees that it must first exhaust any applicable administrative remedies with respect to any cause of action that it may have against the State regarding its performance under this Agreement. Party agrees that the State shall not be required to submit to binding arbitration or waive its right to a jury trial.

4. Sovereign Immunity: The State reserves all immunities, defenses, rights, or actions arising out of the State's sovereign status or under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. No waiver of the State's immunities, defenses, rights, or actions shall be implied or otherwise deemed to exist by reason of the State's entry into this Agreement.

5. No Employee Benefits For Party: The Party understands that the State will not provide any individual retirement benefits, group life insurance, group health and dental insurance, vacation or sick leave, workers compensation or other benefits or services available to State employees, nor will the State withhold any state or Federal taxes except as required under applicable tax laws, which shall be determined in advance of execution of the Agreement. The Party understands that all tax returns required by the Internal Revenue Code and the State of Vermont, including but not limited to income, withholding, sales and use, and rooms and meals, must be filed by the Party, and information as to Agreement income will be provided by the State of Vermont to the Internal Revenue Service and the Vermont Department of Taxes.

6. Independence: The Party will act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees of the State.

7. Defense and Indemnity:

A. The Party shall defend the State and its officers and employees against all third-party claims or suits arising in whole or in part from any act or omission of the Party or of any agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement. The State shall notify the Party in the event of any such claim or suit, and the Party shall immediately retain counsel and otherwise provide a complete defense against the entire claim or suit. The State retains the right to participate at its own expense in the defense of any

claim. The State shall have the right to approve all proposed settlements of such claims or suits.

- **B.** After a final judgment or settlement, the Party may request recoupment of specific defense costs and may file suit in Washington Superior Court requesting recoupment. The Party shall be entitled to recoup costs only upon a showing that such costs were entirely unrelated to the defense of any claim arising from an act or omission of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.
- **C.** The Party shall indemnify the State and its officers and employees if the State, its officers, or employees become legally obligated to pay any damages or losses arising from any act or omission of the Party or an agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.
- D. Notwithstanding any contrary language anywhere, in no event shall the terms of this Agreement or any document furnished by the Party in connection with its performance under this Agreement obligate the State to (1) defend or indemnify the Party or any third party, or (2) otherwise be liable for the expenses or reimbursement, including attorneys' fees, collection costs or other costs of the Party or any third party.

8. Insurance: During the term of this Agreement, Party, at its expense, shall maintain in full force and effect the insurance coverages set forth in the Vermont State Insurance Specification in effect at the time of incorporation of this Attachment C into this Agreement. The terms of the Vermont State Insurance Specification are hereby incorporated by reference into this Attachment C as if fully set forth herein. A copy of the Vermont State Insurance Specification is available at: <u>https://aoa.vermont.gov/Risk-Claims-COI</u>.

9. Reliance by the State on Representations: All payments by the State under this Agreement will be made in reliance upon the accuracy of all representations made by the Party in accordance with this Agreement, including but not limited to bills, invoices, progress reports, and other proofs of work.

10. False Claims Act: Any liability to the State under the Vermont False Claims Act (32 V.S.A. § 630 et seq.) shall not be limited notwithstanding any agreement of the State to otherwise limit Party's liability.

11. Whistleblower Protections: The Party shall not discriminate or retaliate against one of its employees or agents for disclosing information concerning a violation of law, fraud, waste, abuse of authority, or acts threatening health or safety, including but not limited to allegations concerning the False Claims Act. Further, the Party shall not require such employees or agents to forego monetary awards as a result of such disclosures, nor should they be required to report misconduct to the Party or its agents prior to reporting to any governmental entity and/or the public.

12. Use and Protection of State Information:

- A. As between the State and Party, "State Data" includes all data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement. Party acknowledges that certain State Data to which the Party may have access may contain information that is deemed confidential by the State, or which is otherwise confidential by law, rule, or practice, or otherwise exempt from disclosure under the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq. ("Confidential State Data").
- **B.** With respect to State Data, Party shall:
 - i. take reasonable precautions for its protection;
 - ii. not rent, sell, publish, share, or otherwise appropriate it; and
 - iii. upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Party shall dispose of or retain State Data if and to the extent required by this Agreement, law, or regulation, or otherwise requested in writing by the State.
- C. With respect to Confidential State Data, Party shall:

- i. strictly maintain its confidentiality;
- ii. not collect, access, use, or disclose it except as necessary to provide services to the State under this Agreement;
- iii. provide at a minimum the same care to avoid disclosure or unauthorized use as it provides to protect its own similar confidential and proprietary information;
- iv. implement and maintain administrative, technical, and physical safeguards and controls to protect against any anticipated threats or hazards or unauthorized access or use;
- v. promptly notify the State of any request or demand by any court, governmental agency or other person asserting a demand or request for Confidential State Data so that the State may seek an appropriate protective order; and
- vi. upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, and except as necessary to comply with subsection B.iii above in this section, return or destroy all Confidential State Data remaining in its possession or control.
- **D.** If Party is provided or accesses, creates, collects, processes, receives, stores, or transmits Confidential State Data in any electronic form or media, Party shall utilize:
 - i. industry-standard firewall protection;
 - ii. multi-factor authentication controls;
 - iii. encryption of electronic Confidential State Data while in transit and at rest;
 - iv. measures to ensure that the State Data shall not be altered without the prior written consent of the State;
 - v. measures to protect against destruction, loss, or damage of State Data due to potential environmental hazards, such as fire and water damage; training to implement the information security measures; and
 - vi. monitoring of the security of any portions of the Party's systems that are used in the provision of the services against intrusion.
- **E.** No Confidential State Data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement shall be processed, transmitted, stored, or transferred by any means outside the United States, except with the express written permission of the State.
- **F.** Party shall notify the State within twenty-four hours after becoming aware of any unauthorized destruction, loss, alteration, disclosure of, or access to, any State Data.
- **G.** State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update: Party confirms that all products and services provided to or for the use of the State under this Agreement shall be in compliance with State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update in effect at the time of incorporation of this Attachment C into this Agreement. The State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update prohibits the use of certain branded products in State information systems or any vendor system, and a copy is available at: https://digitalservices.vermont.gov/cybersecurity/cybersecurity-standards-and-directives
- **H.** In addition to the requirements of this Section 12, Party shall comply with any additional requirements regarding the protection of data that may be included in this Agreement or required by law or regulation.

13. Records Available for Audit: The Party shall maintain all records pertaining to performance under this Agreement. "Records" means any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, which is produced or acquired by the Party in the performance of this Agreement. Records produced or acquired in a machine-readable electronic format shall be maintained in that format. The records described shall be made available at reasonable times during the period of this Agreement and for three years thereafter or for any period required by law for inspection by any authorized representatives of the State or

Federal Government. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

14. Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act: Party agrees to comply with the requirement of 21 V.S.A. Chapter 5, Subchapter 6, relating to fair employment practices, to the full extent applicable, and shall include this provision in all subcontracts for work performed in Vermont. Party shall also ensure, to the full extent required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, that qualified individuals with disabilities receive equitable access to the services, programs, and activities provided by the Party under this Agreement.

15. Offset: The State may offset any sums which the Party owes the State against any sums due the Party under this Agreement; provided, however, that any offset of amounts due the State of Vermont as taxes shall be in accordance with the procedures more specifically provided in 32 V.S.A. § 3113.

16. Taxes Due to the State: Party certifies under the pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, the Party is in good standing with respect to, or in full compliance with, a plan to pay any and all taxes due the State of Vermont.

17. Taxation of Purchases: All State purchases must be invoiced tax free. An exemption certificate will be furnished upon request with respect to otherwise taxable items.

18. Child Support: (Only applicable if the Party is a natural person, not a corporation or partnership.) Party states that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, Party is not under an obligation to pay child support or is in good standing with respect to or in full compliance with a plan to pay any and all child support payable under a support order. Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in Vermont. In addition, if the Party is a resident of Vermont, Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in any other state or territory of the United States.

19. Sub-Agreements: Party shall not assign, subcontract, or subgrant the performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof to any other Party without the prior written approval of the State. Party shall be responsible and liable to the State for all acts or omissions of subcontractors and any other person performing work under this Agreement pursuant to an agreement with Party or any subcontractor.

In the case this Agreement is a contract with a total cost in excess of \$250,000, the Party shall provide to the State a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54), as amended by Section 17 of Act No. 142 (2010) and by Section 6 of Act No. 50 (2011).

Party shall include the following provisions of this Attachment C in all subcontracts for work performed solely for the State of Vermont and subcontracts for work performed in the State of Vermont: Section 10 ("False Claims Act"); Section 11 ("Whistleblower Protections"); Section 12 ("Confidentiality and Protection of State Information"); Section 14 ("Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act"); Section 16 ("Taxes Due the State"); Section 18 ("Child Support"); Section 20 ("No Gifts or Gratuities"); Section 22 ("Certification Regarding Debarment"); Section 30 ("State Facilities"); and Section 32.A ("Certification Regarding Use of State Funds").

20. No Gifts or Gratuities: Party shall not give title or possession of anything of substantial value (including property, currency, travel, and/or education programs) to any officer or employee of the State during the term

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of this Agreement.

21. Regulation of Hydrofluorocarbons: Party confirms that all products provided to or for the use of the State under this Agreement shall not contain hydrofluorocarbons, as prohibited under 10 V.S.A. § 586.

22. Certification Regarding Debarment: Party certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, neither Party nor Party's principals (officers, directors, owners, or partners) are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or excluded from participation in Federal programs, or programs supported in whole or in part by Federal funds. Party further certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, Party is not presently debarred, suspended, nor named on the State's debarment list at: https://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/debarment.

23. Conflict of Interest: Party shall fully disclose, in writing, any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest.

24. Vermont Public Records Act: Party acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement, any and all information obtained by the State from the Party in connection with this Agreement, and any obligations of the State to maintain the confidentiality of information are subject to the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 *et seq.*

25. Force Majeure: Neither the State nor the Party shall be liable to the other for any failure or delay of performance of any obligations under this Agreement to the extent such failure or delay shall have been wholly or principally caused by acts or events beyond its reasonable control rendering performance illegal or impossible (excluding strikes or lockouts) ("Force Majeure"). Where Force Majeure is asserted, the nonperforming party must prove that it made all reasonable efforts to remove, eliminate or minimize such cause of delay or damages, diligently pursued performance of its obligations under this Agreement, substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations, and timely notified the other party of the likelihood or actual occurrence of an event described in this paragraph.

26. Marketing: Party shall not use the State's logo or otherwise refer to the State in any publicity materials, information pamphlets, press releases, research reports, advertising, sales promotions, trade shows, or marketing materials or similar communications to third parties except with the prior written consent of the State.

27. Termination:

- A. Non-Appropriation: If this Agreement extends into more than one fiscal year of the State (July 1 to June 30), and if appropriations are insufficient to support this Agreement, the State may cancel this Agreement at the end of the fiscal year, or otherwise upon the expiration of existing appropriation authority. In the case that this Agreement is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds, and in the event Federal funds become unavailable or reduced, the State may suspend or cancel this Agreement immediately, and the State shall have no obligation to pay Party from State revenues.
- **B.** Termination for Cause: Either party may terminate this Agreement if a party materially breaches its obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after delivery of the non-breaching party's notice or such longer time as the non-breaching party may specify in the notice.
- **C. Termination Assistance:** Upon nearing the end of the final term or termination of this Agreement, without respect to cause, the Party shall take all reasonable and prudent measures to facilitate any transition required by the State. All State property, tangible and intangible, shall be returned to the State

upon demand at no additional cost to the State in a format acceptable to the State.

28. Continuity of Performance: In the event of a dispute between the Party and the State, each party will continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement during the resolution of the dispute until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms.

29. No Implied Waiver of Remedies: Either party's delay or failure to exercise any right, power, or remedy under this Agreement shall not impair any such right, power, or remedy, or be construed as a waiver of any such right, power, or remedy. All waivers must be in writing.

30. State Facilities: If the State makes space available to the Party in any State facility during the term of this Agreement for purposes of the Party's performance under this Agreement, the Party shall only use the space in accordance with all policies and procedures governing access to, and use of, State facilities, which shall be made available upon request. State facilities will be made available to Party on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis, with no warranties whatsoever.

31. Requirements Pertaining Only to Federal Grants and Subrecipient Agreements: If this Agreement is a grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds:

- A. Requirement to Have a Single Audit: The Subrecipient will complete the Subrecipient Annual Report annually within 45 days after its fiscal year end, informing the State of Vermont whether or not a Single Audit is required for the prior fiscal year. If a Single Audit is required, the Subrecipient will submit a copy of the audit report to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse within nine months. If a single audit is not required, only the Subrecipient Annual Report is required. A Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$750,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, Subpart F. The Subrecipient Annual Report is required to be submitted within 45 days, whether or not a Single Audit is required.
- **B.** Internal Controls: In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.303, the Party must establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award to provide reasonable assurance that the Party is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.
- **C. Mandatory Disclosures:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.113, Party must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the State, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Failure to make required disclosures may result in the imposition of sanctions which may include disallowance of costs incurred, withholding of payments, termination of the Agreement, suspension/debarment, etc.

32. Requirements Pertaining Only to State-Funded Grants:

- **A. Certification Regarding Use of State Funds:** If Party is an employer and this Agreement is a State-funded grant in excess of \$1,000, Party certifies that none of these State funds will be used to interfere with or restrain the exercise of Party's employee's rights with respect to unionization.
- **B.** Good Standing Certification (Act 154 of 2016): If this Agreement is a State-funded grant, Party hereby represents: (i) that it has signed and provided to the State the form prescribed by the Secretary of Administration for purposes of certifying that it is in good standing (as provided in Section 13(a)(2) of

Act 154) with the Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, or otherwise explaining the circumstances surrounding the inability to so certify; and (ii) that it will comply with the requirements stated therein.

(End of Standard Provisions)

ATTACHMENT D – OTHER GRANT AND CONTRACT PROVISIONS

Risk Management approval required for modification of Attachment C.8 insurance clause.□YES⊠NORISK Approved:N/A

VERMONT STATE INSURANCE SPECIFICATION- REVISED NOVEMBER 1, 2023

1. Applicability and Definitions.

- a. This Specification applies to providers of goods or services under a contract or grant (either is "the Agreement") for the State of Vermont and is incorporated, whether directly or by reference, into the Agreement.
- b. "Party" shall mean the Contractor or Grantee as stated in the Agreement.

2. Operation of this Specification.

- a. Before commencing work under the Agreement, the Party must provide certificates of insurance to show that each and all of the minimum insurance coverages listed below, which are or may be applicable, are in effect. It is the responsibility of the Party to maintain current certificates of insurance on file with the State throughout the term of this Agreement.
- b. The State does not warrant that the coverages and limits listed in this document or otherwise required for the Agreement are adequate to cover and protect the interests of the Party for the Party's operations. These are solely minimums that have been established to protect the interests of the State.
- c. It is the Party's responsibility to timely ask the State and seek clarification if Party is uncertain of any particular application of any provision.

3. Additional coverages or amounts required although not stated in this Specification.

In many circumstances, the Party is required by the State to have insurance coverages in addition to those stated in this Specification, or to have higher limits or terms for listed coverages beyond what is required in this Specification. Those additional requirements may be stated in the Agreement or in other attachments or exhibits to the Agreement. It is the Party's responsibility to meet such additional requirements in the manner and according to the terms stated for coverages listed in this Specification.

- 4. *General Liability and Property Damage:* With respect to all operations performed under the Agreement, the Party shall carry general liability insurance having all major divisions of coverage including, but not limited to:
 - a. Premises Operations
 - b. Products and Completed Operations
 - c. Personal Injury Liability
 - d. Contractual Liability
 - e. The policy shall be on an occurrence form and limits shall not be less than:
 - i. \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
 - ii. \$2,000,000 General Aggregate
 - iii. \$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate
 - iv. \$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury
 - f. If the performance of the Agreement involves construction, then:
 - i. a "per project" aggregate endorsement is required; and
 - ii. completed operations coverage must be carried for three years post project completion.

- 5. *Automotive Liability:* If motor vehicles will be or are used in connection with the Agreement, the Party shall carry automotive liability insurance covering all motor vehicles, including hired and non-owned coverage, used in connection with the Agreement. Limits of coverage shall not be less than \$500,000 combined single limit. For Contracts involving construction or when performance under the Contract would require a commercial or other specialized driver's license, limits shall not be less than \$1,000,000. When performance includes interstate commerce or transport of hazardous products or materials regulated by the Federal Motor Carrier Administration and set forth in 49 C.F.R. § 387.9, the coverage shall include the MCS-90 endorsement.
- 6. *Umbrella or Excess Liability*: For Contracts involving construction, or when performance under the Contract would require a commercial or other specialized driver's license, the Party shall carry umbrella or excess liability insurance covering over the underlying general and automotive liability policies. Coverage shall be on an occurrence form and limits shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$1,000,000 general aggregate, unless higher limits are required by the State of Vermont. This requirement need not be met if the Party's applicable underlying coverages meet or exceed \$2,000,000.

7. Additional Insured:

- a. The General Liability, Property Damage, and Umbrella/Excess coverages required for performance of the Agreement shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers, and employees as Additional Insureds using ISO forms CG2010 and CG2037 or their equivalents.
- b. If performance of the Agreement involves construction, or the transport of persons or hazardous materials, then the required Automotive Liability coverage shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers, and employees as Additional Insureds.
- c. If third-party cyber liability coverage is required, such coverage shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers, and employees as Additional Insureds.
- d. Additional Insured coverage shall be primary and non-contributory with any other insurance and self-insurance and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State of Vermont.

8. Workers Compensation:

With respect to all operations performed, the Party shall carry workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont. The State will accept an out-of-state employer's workers' compensation coverage while operating in Vermont provided that the insurance carrier is licensed to write insurance in Vermont and an amendatory endorsement is added to the policy adding Vermont for coverage purposes. Otherwise, the party shall secure a Vermont workers' compensation policy if necessary to comply with Vermont law.

For work involving construction, workers compensation coverage shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State of Vermont.

9. Professional Liability Insurance:

Whenever the performance of the Agreement is to involve any of: (a) licensed professional services, such as, but not limited to, attorneys, medical providers, financial professionals like accountants or actuaries, architects, engineers, management consultants, and providers of services requiring occupational licenses; (b) technology professional services; or (c) when otherwise required by the Agreement, the Party shall procure and maintain professional liability insurance for any and all services performed under the Agreement, with minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per claim, or such higher minimum so provided.

Party shall maintain such professional liability insurance for a period of two years following completion of services under the Agreement.

10. Cyber Liability and Breach Response Insurance Coverage:

When the Party's performance involves hosting confidential State data, or services in or on State information technology systems where confidential State data may reside, the Party shall have and maintain cyber liability and breach response

insurance coverage at no less than \$1,000,000 per claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. Such policy shall expressly provide, but not be limited to, coverage for losses arising from the following:

- a. unauthorized use of or access to: computer systems (including mobile devices), servers, client's data, or software;
- b. defense of any regulatory action involving a breach of privacy;
- c. failure to protect the confidential or proprietary information (personal and commercial information) and intellectual property from unauthorized disclosure or unauthorized access;
- d. failure to adequately protect physical security of servers and systems including from cyber terrorism;
- e. the costs for: notification (whether or not required by statute), credit file or identity monitoring, identity restoration, public relations, or legal experts;
- f. third-party liability;
- g. cyber extortion and cyber terrorism; and
- h. no exclusion for actual or alleged breaches of professional services agreements associated with the above.
- 11. Notice of Cancellation or Change: With respect to all required coverage, there shall be no cancellation, change, potential exhaustion of aggregate limits, or non-renewal of insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State.

OTHER GRANT AND CONTRACT PROVISIONS

- 12. For contracts awarded over \$200,000 for maintenance, construction, or improvement project shall provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid not less than mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey plus an additional fringe benefit of 42 and one-half percent of wage, as calculated by the current Vermont prevailing wage survey.
- 13. For projects over \$10 million, the following is required to be reported to the State with Quarterly Project Reports, as applicable:
 - a. A recipient may provide a certification that, for the relevant project, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors in the performance of such project are paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing, as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the "Davis Bacon Act"), for the corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on projects of a character similar to the contract work in the civil subdivision of the State (or the District of Columbia) in which the work is to be performed, or by the appropriate State entity pursuant to a corollary State prevailing-wage-in-construction law (commonly known as "baby Davis Bacon Acts"). If such certification is not provided, a recipient must provide a project employment and local impact report detailing:
 - i. The number of employees of contractors and sub-contractors working on the project;
 - ii. The number of employees of contractors and sub-contractors working on the project;
 - iii. The number of employees on the project hired directly and hired through a third party;
 - iv. The wages and benefits of workers on the project by classification; and
 - v. Whether those wages are at rates less than those prevailing.³ Recipients must maintain sufficient records to substantiate this information upon request.
 - b. A recipient may provide a certification that a project includes a project labor agreement, meaning a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement consistent with section 8(f) of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 158(f)).

³ As determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the "Davis-Bacon Act"), for the corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on projects of a character similar to the contract work in the civil subdivision of the State (or the District of Columbia) in which the work is to be performed.

If the recipient does not provide such certification, the recipient must provide a project workforce continuity plan, detailing:

- i. How the recipient will ensure the project has ready access to a sufficient supply of appropriately skilled and unskilled labor to ensure high-quality construction throughout the life of the project;
- ii. How the recipient will minimize risks of labor disputes and disruptions that would jeopardize timeliness and cost-effectiveness of the project; and
- iii. How the recipient will provide a safe and healthy workplace that avoids delays and costs associated with workplace illnesses, injuries, and fatalities;
- iv. Whether workers on the project will receive wages and benefits that will secure an appropriately skilled workforce in the context of the local or regional labor market; and
- v. Whether the project has completed a project labor agreement.
- c. Whether the project prioritizes local hires.
- d. Whether the project has a Community Benefit Agreement, with a description of any such agreement
- e. State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) funds may be used to acquire real and personal property, supplies, and equipment. Except for property, supplies, or equipment acquired using revenue loss funds, recipients must follow the applicable provisions of the Uniform Guidance regarding property standards (2 CFR 200.310-316. During the period of performance, a recipient may use property, supplies, or equipment purchased or improved with SLFRF funds for a purpose other than the purpose for which it was purchased or improved if such other purpose is also consistent with the eligible use requirements. If a recipient must follow the disposition procedures in the Uniform Guidance. See 2 CFR 200.311, 200.313, 200.314, and 200.315. After the period of performance, the property, supplies, or equipment must be used consistent with the purpose for which it was purchased or improved or for any other eligible purpose in the same category as the purpose reported to Treasury as of the final reporting period. Recipients are responsible for being able to substantiate their determinations on whether the use of an asset is authorized and maintain a record of that determination in accordance with the requirements set forth in the financial assistance agreement accepted in connection with their award. Recipients are not required to seek or obtain the approval of Treasury prior to changing the use within the parameters of the authorized purpose.

ATTACHMENT F – OTHER PROVISIONS

- A. For contracts awarded over \$200,000 for maintenance, construction, or improvement project shall provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid not less than mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey plus an additional fringe benefit of 42 and one-half percent of wage, as calculated by the current Vermont prevailing wage survey.
- B. For projects over \$10 million, the following is required to be reported to the State with Quarterly Project Reports, as applicable:
 - 1. A recipient may provide a certification that, for the relevant project, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors in the performance of such project are paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing, as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the "Davis Bacon Act"), for the corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on projects of a character similar to the contract work in the civil subdivision of the State (or the District of Columbia) in which the work is to be performed, or by the appropriate State entity pursuant to a corollary State prevailing-wage-in-construction law (commonly known as "baby Davis Bacon Acts"). If such certification is not provided, a recipient must provide a project employment and local impact report detailing:

a. The number of employees of contractors and sub-contractors working on the project;

- b. The number of employees on the project hired directly and hired through a third party;
- c. The wages and benefits of workers on the project by classification; and
- d.Whether those wages are at rates less than those prevailing.⁴ Recipients must maintain sufficient records to substantiate this information upon request.
- 2. A recipient may provide a certification that a project includes a project labor agreement, meaning a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement consistent with section 8(f) of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 158(f)). If the recipient does not provide such certification, the recipient must provide a project workforce continuity plan, detailing:
 - a. How the recipient will ensure the project has ready access to a sufficient supply of appropriately skilled and unskilled labor to ensure high-quality construction throughout the life of the project;
 - b.How the recipient will minimize risks of labor disputes and disruptions that would jeopardize timeliness and cost-effectiveness of the project; and
 - c. How the recipient will provide a safe and healthy workplace that avoids delays and costs associated with workplace illnesses, injuries, and fatalities;
 - d.Whether workers on the project will receive wages and benefits that will secure an appropriately skilled workforce in the context of the local or regional labor market; and e.Whether the project has completed a project labor agreement. c
- 3. Whether the project prioritizes local hires.
- 4. Whether the project has a Community Benefit Agreement, with a description of any such agreement

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Attachment E

STATE FISCAL RECOVERY (SFR) QUARTERLY PROJECT REPORT

Name: Town of Middlebury

Contact Completing Report: Click or tap here to enter text. Report Date: Click or tap here to enter text. Grant Project: 2023 Pretreatment ARPA Grant ID: 06140-2023-ARPA-PT13 Quarter End Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Quarterly Information Collected Every Quarter	
Projected/Actual Construction Start Date (month/year):	Click or tap here to enter text.
Projected/Actual Initiation of Operations Date (month/year):	Click or tap here to enter text.
Project Status:	Click or tap here to enter text.

Risk-Based Information High Risk: Collected Quarterly		
Summary of progress made on deliverables within reporting timeframe.	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Milestone status updates	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Technical/cost/schedule issues encountered	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Work planned for next period	Click or tap here to enter text.	

Annual Performance Measure Informatic Collected Quarter ending on March 31 st	n
Number of wastewater pretreatment systems implemented/upgraded	
Number of final (100%) designs completed	
Amount of neutralized wastewater with a pH of 6.5 – 7.5 sent to POTW over the course of one month (gallons per day)	

ATTACHMENT F – STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND PROGRAM ASSURANCES

An authorized signatory of Subrecipient must attest to the following by checking the box next to the statement and signing this document.

 \boxtimes 1. I have the authority to request payment from the State of Vermont. I am requesting payment for costs incurred in connection with section 602 of the Social Security Act, as amended by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Public Law No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) ("section 602").

 \boxtimes 2. As required by federal law, the SFR will only be used for approved economic support or costs incurred during the period that begins on March 3, 2021 and December 31, 2024, in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and its negative economic impacts.

 \boxtimes 3. Subrecipient will report on incurred expenses and/or losses, in a form and at a frequency prescribed by the State of Vermont and will cooperate with the State of Vermont in creating and retaining appropriate documentation to demonstrate that the proposed uses meet the requirements of section 602.

 \boxtimes 4. To the extent that actual expenditures or demonstrated need is less than the total award amount, Subrecipient agrees to return the balance of unspent funds to the State of Vermont. If the United States Department of the Treasury recoups funds from the State of Vermont based on a determination that these award funds were used in a manner not in compliance with section 602, Subrecipient agrees that the State of Vermont may recover funds from Subrecipient by reducing future funding in State budgets.

∑ 5. Subrecipient must repay the award or portion of the award to the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation if: any funds received were issued in error; are based on incorrect representations made to the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation; or any costs forming the basis of an award under this program are covered by other federal funds or federally forgiven loans received by Subrecipient. I agree that the final determination of whether there has been a duplication of benefits and the amount to be repaid, if any, will be made by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation.

 \boxtimes 6. Subrecipient shall maintain and make available to the State of Vermont and/or United States Department of the Treasury, upon request, all documents and financial records sufficient to establish compliance with section 602. Records and supporting documentation must be maintained for a period of five years after all funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later. Records to support compliance with subsection 602 may include, but are not limited to, copies of the following:

- a. General ledger and subsidiary ledgers used to account for (a) the receipt of SFR payments and (b) the disbursements from such payments to meet eligible expenses related to the public health emergency due to COVID-19;
- b. Budget records;
- c. Payroll, time records, human resource records to support costs incurred for payroll expenses related to addressing the public health emergency due to COVID-19;
- d. Receipts of purchases made related to addressing the public health emergency due to COVID-19;
- e. Contracts and subcontracts entered into using SFR payments and all documents related to such contracts;
- f. Grant agreements and grant subaward agreements entered into using SFR payments and all documents related to such awards;

- g. All documentation of reports, audits, and other monitoring of contractors, including subcontractors, and grant recipient and subrecipients;
- h. All documentation supporting the performance outcomes of contracts, subcontracts, grant awards, and grant recipient subawards;
- i. All internal and external email/electronic communications related to use of SFR payments; and
- j. All investigative files and inquiry reports involving SFR payments.

 \boxtimes 7. To the best of my knowledge, neither Subrecipient nor Subrecipient 's principals (officers, directors, owners, or partners) are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or excluded from participation in Federal programs, or programs supported in whole or in part by Federal funds.

⊠ 8. Subrecipient will complete the Subrecipient Annual Report annually within 45 days after its fiscal year end, informing the State of Vermont whether a Single Audit is required for the prior fiscal year. If a Single Audit is required, Subrecipient will submit a copy of the audit report to the State of Vermont within 9 months. For fiscal years ending on or after December 25, 2015, a Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$750,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, Subpart F.

Subrecipient will submit reports as required by the State of Vermont, Agency of Administration, and/or Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation.

 \boxtimes 10. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation may share the information on this federal award with other Vermont state agencies, and other Vermont agencies can share information with Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation for the purpose of verifying Subrecipient's eligibility for this or another award or stimulus payment related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

 \boxtimes 11. Subrecipient authorizes the State of Vermont to share data relevant to this award with the U.S. Department of Treasury, including but not limited to previously submitted W-9 data that is related to this award.

🛛 12. All of Subrecipient's tax returns are completed and filed through the date of application filing.

 \boxtimes 13. Subrecipient complies with local, state and federal labor laws.

 \boxtimes 14. Subrecipient is in good standing with the Vermont Secretary of State.

 \boxtimes 15. I attest, under penalty of perjury, that all information provided on this form is true and accurate. I understand that the State of Vermont will rely on this certification as a material representation in making this federal award. Further, I understand that intentional misrepresentation of information is fraud and may subject me or my organization to disqualification from receiving further benefits, administrative penalties, and criminal prosecution.

 \boxtimes 16. Subrecipient understands that, if Federal guidance on the regulations of the State Fiscal Recovery Fund change, it may change the terms of this award.

 \boxtimes 17. Subrecipient certifies that for contracts awarded over \$200,000 for maintenance, construction, or improvement project shall provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid not less than mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey plus an additional fringe benefit of 42 and one-half percent of wage, as calculated by the current Vermont prevailing wage survey.

 \boxtimes 18. Subrecipient certifies that they will require any subcontractors or subgrantees to also certify that for contracts awarded over \$200,000 for maintenance, construction, or improvement project shall provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid not less than mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey plus an additional fringe benefit of 42 and one-half percent of wage, as calculated by the current Vermont prevailing wage survey.

Printed Name:

Authorized Signature:

Title:

Organization Name:

Date:

ATTACHMENT G - TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR FEDERAL SUBRECIPIENTS -U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AWARD

- 1. Use of Funds.
 - a. Participant understands and agrees that the funds disbursed under this award may only be used in compliance with section 602 of the Social Security Act (the Act), Treasury's regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
 - b. Participant will determine prior to engaging in any project using this assistance that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of such project.
- 2. Reporting. Participant agrees to comply with any reporting obligations established by Treasury as they relate to this award.
- 3. Maintenance of and Access to Records
 - a. Participant shall maintain records and financial documents sufficient to evidence compliance with section 602 of the Act, Treasury's regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
 - b. The Treasury Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right of access to records (electronic and otherwise) of Participant in order to conduct audits or other investigations.
 - c. Records shall be maintained by Participant for a period of five (5) years after all funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later.
- 4. Conflicts of Interest. Participant understands and agrees it must maintain a conflict of interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c) and that such conflict of interest policy is applicable to each activity funded under this award. Participants must disclose in writing to Treasury or the pass-through entity, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112.
- 5. Compliance with Applicable Law and Regulations
 - a. Participant agrees to comply with the requirements of section 602 of the Act, regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 602 of the Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing. Participant also agrees to comply with all other applicable federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders, and Participant shall provide for such compliance by other parties in any agreements it enters into with other parties relating to this award.
 - b. Federal regulations applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
 - i. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, other than such provisions as Treasury may determine are inapplicable to this Award and subject to such exceptions as may be otherwise provided by Treasury. Subpart F – Audit Requirements of the Uniform Guidance, implementing the Single Audit Act, shall apply to this award.
 - ii. Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iii. Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information, 2 C.F.R. Part 170 pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 170 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iv. OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government wide Debarment and Suspension (Non procurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 180, including the requirement to include a term or condition in all

lower tier covered transactions (contracts and subcontracts described in 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart B) that the award is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

- v. Participant Integrity and Performance Matters, pursuant to which the award term set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII to Part 200 is hereby incorporated by reference.
- vi. Government wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 C.F.R. Part 20.
- vii. New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21.
- viii. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations.
- ix. Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations.
- c. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
 - i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance;
 - ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability;

iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance;

iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and

v. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.

- 6. Remedial Actions. In the event of Participant's noncompliance with section 602 of the Act, other applicable laws, Treasury's implementing regulations, guidance, or any reporting or other program requirements, Treasury may impose additional conditions on the receipt of a subsequent tranche of future award funds, if any, or take other available remedies as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. In the case of a violation of section 602 of the Act regarding the use of funds, previous payments shall be subject to recoupment as provided in section 602 of the Act.
- 7. Hatch Act. Participant agrees to comply, as applicable, with requirements of the Hatch Act (U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by this federal assistance.
- 8. False Statements. Participant understands that making false statements or claims in connection with this award is a violation of federal law and may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.

- 9. Publications. Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: "This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number SLFRP4407 awarded to State of Vermont by the U.S. Department of the Treasury."
- 10. Debts Owed the Federal Government.
 - a. Any funds paid to Participant (1) in excess of the amount to which Participant is finally determined to be authorized to retain under the terms of this award; (2) that are determined by the Treasury Office of Inspector General to have been misused; or (3) that are determined by Treasury to be subject to a repayment obligation pursuant to section 602 of the Act and have not been repaid by Participant shall constitute a debt to the federal government.
 - b. Any debts determined to be owed the federal government must be paid promptly by Participant. A debt is delinquent if it has not been paid by the date specified in Treasury's initial written demand for payment, unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made or if the Participant knowingly or improperly retains funds that are a debt as defined in paragraph 14(a). Treasury will take any actions available to it to collect such a debt.
- 11. Disclaimer
 - a. The United States expressly disclaims any and all responsibility or liability to Participant or third persons for the actions of Participant or third persons resulting in death, bodily injury, property damages, or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any contract, or subcontract under this award.
 - b. The acceptance of this award by Participant does not in any way establish an agency relationship between the IFA, United States and Participant.
- 12. Protections for Whistleblowers.
 - a. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, Participant may not discharge, demote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee in reprisal for disclosing to any of the list of persons or entities provided below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a federal contract or grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant.
 - b. The list of persons and entities referenced in the paragraph above includes the following:
 - i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
 - ii. An Inspector General;
 - iii. The Government Accountability Office;
 - iv. A Treasury employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management;
 - v. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency;
 - vi. A court or grand jury; or
 - vii. A management official or other employee of Participant, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct.
 - c. Participant shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under this section, in the predominant native language of the workforce.
- 13. Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States. Pursuant to Executive Order 13043, 62 FR 19217 (Apr. 18, 1997), Participant should encourage its contractors to adopt and enforce on-the- job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating company-owned, rented or personally owned vehicles.

14. Reducing Text Messaging While Driving. Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225 (Oct. 6, 2009), Participant should encourage its employees and contractors to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving, and Participant should establish workplace safety policies to decrease accidents caused by distracted drivers.

Attachment H – Program Quarterly Project Report Template



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ARPA Wastewater Pretreatment – Programmatic Reporting

Project Information:		
Project:	Date:	
Municipality/Subrecipient:		Sub-
awardee:		
Contractor:		
Work Period (<i>start date – end date</i>):		
Overall Grant Cost and Time Summary:		
Estimated Project Completion (date):		
Amount Spent This Quarter: \$		
Amount spent to Date: \$		
Work Progress and Future Issues:		
Work Completed This Quarter Compared to Milestones &	Deliverables Table:	

Work In Progress:

Barriers to Meeting Future Due Dates:

Delayed Work/Scheduled Work Not Completed This Quarter:

Steps to Get on Schedule:

Other (please list topics you want to discuss at our check in, questions, points for clarification, etc.):