

PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION OF CHICAGO



**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
CONTRACT NUMBER PS1293
with
GSG CONSULTANTS, INC.**

**To Provide
ADDITIONAL SITE INVESTIGATION, PREPARE DESIGN PLANS,
and REMEDITATION OVERSIGHT SERVICES**

**For
BEVERLY BRANCH LIBRARY
1962 W. 95TH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Project# CPL-30

**Mayor Richard M. Daley
Chairman**

**Erin Lavin Cabonargi
Executive Director**

**Richard J. Daley Center, Room 200
50 West Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60602
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EXECUTION PAGE

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PS 1293**

THIS AGREEMENT effective as of August 14, 2007, but actually executed on the date witnessed, is entered into by and between the **Public Building Commission of Chicago**, a municipal corporation of the State of Illinois, having its principal office at Room 200, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, (the "**Commission**"), and **GSG Consultants, Inc.**, an Illinois corporation with offices at 855 W. Adams Street, Suite 200, Chicago, Illinois 60607 (the "**Consultant**"), at Chicago, Illinois.

Background Information - Recitals:

Whereas, The Commission on behalf of the City of Chicago (referred to in this Agreement as the "**User Agency**"), intends to undertake the construction and/or improvement of the following facility or facilities in Chicago, Illinois described in Schedule A attached to the Agreement (the "**Project**");

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Whereas, the Commission requires certain professional services described in the Agreement, in connection with the Project and desires to retain the Consultant on the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement to perform such Services. The Consultant desires to be so retained by the Commission and has represented to the Commission that the Consultant has the knowledge, skill, experience and other resources necessary to perform the Services in the manner provided by the Agreement.

Whereas, the Consultant has consulted with the Commission and the User Agency, made site inspections, and taken such other actions as the Consultant deemed necessary or advisable to make itself fully acquainted with the scope and requirements of the Project and the Services. The Consultant represents that it is qualified and competent by education, training and experience to prepare drawings, specifications and construction documents necessary to complete the Project in accordance with standards of reasonable professional skill and diligence.

Whereas, the Commission has relied upon the Consultant's representations in selecting the Consultant.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement,

SIGNED on: 06 / 10 / 2008

PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION OF CHICAGO

[Signature]

Date: 6/5/08

Erin Lavin Cabonargi
Executive Director

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Edgrick Johnson - Secretary

Date: 6-10-08

CONSULTANT, GSG CONSULTANTS, INC.:

[Signature]
President

Date: 05-16-08

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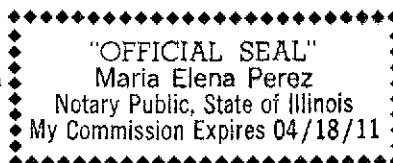
County of: Cook

State of: Illinois

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Guillermo Garcia and _____
on behalf of Consultant this 16th day of May, 2008.

[Signature]
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 04-18-2011
(SEAL OF NOTARY)



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Definitions.** The following phrases have the same meanings for purposes of this Agreement.

a. **Agreement** means this professional services agreement for environmental consulting services, including all exhibits or documents attached hereto and/or incorporated by reference herein, and all amendments, modifications, or revisions made in accordance with the terms hereof.

b. **Commission** as herein referred to shall include the Public Building Commission of Chicago, the Commission's Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Executive Director, Director of Construction, Managing Architect, Project Manager, or designated consultant or consultants, acting on behalf thereof, as designated by the Commission in writing, for the purpose of giving authorizations, instructions, and/or approval pursuant to this Agreement.

c. **Contract Documents** consists of all of the component parts of the Contract between the Commission and the General Contractor for the construction and improvement of the Project including, without limitation, the general and special conditions, technical specifications, drawings, addenda, bulletins and modifications thereto.

d. **Consultant** means the company or other entity identified in this agreement, and such successors or assigns, if any, as may be authorized by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

e. **Key Personnel** means those job titles and persons as identified in those positions as identified in Consultant's proposal and accepted by the Commission.

f. **Project** means the construction and/or improvement of the facility or facilities specified in this agreement of this Agreement.

g. **Services** mean collectively, the services, duties and responsibilities that are necessary to allow the Consultant to provide the Services required by the Commission under this agreement.

h. **Sub-consultant** means a firm hired by the Consultant to perform professional services related to the construction and/or improvement of the Project.

i. **Technical Personnel** as herein referred to include partners, officers and all other personnel of the Consultant, including technical typists assigned to the Project, exclusive of general office employees.

j. **User Agency** means the municipal corporation that requested the Commission to undertake the construction and/or improvement of the Project.

2. **Incorporation of Documents.** The documents identified below in this paragraph are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement. By executing this Agreement, Consultant acknowledges and agrees that Consultant is familiar with the contents of each of such documents and will comply fully with all applicable portions thereof in performing the Services.

a. **Project Documents.** The plans and specifications for the Project, to the extent that plans and specifications for the Project have been prepared, as set forth and described in this Agreement (the "Project Documents").

b. **Policies Concerning MBE and WBE.** The Commission's policies concerning utilization of minority business enterprises ("MBE") and women business enterprises ("WBE"), as the same may be revised from time to time.

3. **Engagement and Standards for Performing Services.**

a. **Engagement.** The Commission hereby engages the Consultant, and the Consultant hereby accepts such engagement, to provide the Services described in this agreement, as the same may be amended, in writing, from time to time by mutual agreement of the Commission and the Consultant.

b. **Performance Standard.** The Consultant represents and agrees that the Services performed under this Agreement will proceed with efficiency, promptness and diligence and will be executed in a competent and thorough manner, in accordance with reasonable professional standards in the field consistent with that degree of skill and care ordinarily exercised by practicing environmental consulting professionals performing services of a scope, purpose, and magnitude comparable with the Services to be provided under this Agreement. If in the course of performing the Services, Consultant identifies any environmental condition, situation, issue or problem that may impact the performance of the Services or the Project, Consultant shall promptly provide notice to the Commission. The Consultant further promises that it will assign at all times during the term of the Agreement the number of experienced, appropriately trained employees necessary for the Consultant to perform the Services in the manner required by the Agreement.

c. **Consultant's Personnel.** Consultant must ensure that all Services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment are accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed, if required by law. Consultant must maintain current copies of any such licenses and provide these copies upon request by the Commission. Consultant remains responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all Services furnished, whether by the Consultant or others on its behalf. All deliverables will be prepared in a form and content satisfactory to the Commission and delivered in a timely manner consistent with the requirements of the Agreement.

d. **Confidentiality.** Consultant acknowledges that it is entrusted with or has access to valuable and confidential information and records of the Commission and User Agency. Consultant must at all times use its best efforts on behalf of the Commission to assure timely and satisfactory rendering and completion of its Services. Consultant must at all times act in the best interests of the Commission and User Agency consistent with Consultant's professional obligations assumed by Consultant in entering into this Agreement. Consultant promises to cooperate with the officials, employees and agents of the Commission and User Agency in furthering the Commission's and User Agency's interests. Consultant must perform all Services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Commission.

e. **Independent Contractor.** In performing the Services under this Agreement, Consultant shall at all times be an independent contractor, and does not and must not act or represent itself as an agent or employee of the Commission or the User Agency. As an independent contractor, Consultant is solely and wholly responsible for determining the means and methods for performing the Services. The Agreement will not be construed as an agreement of partnership, joint venture, or agency.

f. Limitations on Sub-Consultants. Consultant must not use any business or individual who is disqualified by the Commission or debarred under any other governmental agency's procedures to provide the Services under the Agreement.

g. Failure to Meet Performance Standard. If the Consultant fails to comply with its obligations under the standards of the Agreement, the Consultant must perform again, at its own expense, all Services required to be re-performed as a direct or indirect result of that failure. Any review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the Services by the Commission does not relieve Consultant of its responsibility to render the Services and deliverables with the professional skill and care and technical accuracy required by the Agreement. This provision in no way limits the Commission's rights against the Consultant, either under the Agreement, at law or in equity.

h. Changes to the Services. The Commission may from time to time, request changes to the terms of the Agreement or in the Scope of Services of the Consultant to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of compensation and revisions to the duration of the Services, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the Commission and Consultant, shall be incorporated in a written amendment to this Agreement. The Commission shall not be liable for any changes absent such written amendment.

4. Term.

a. The term of this Agreement shall begin on the Commencement Date specified in this agreements and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (b) below, shall expire upon completion of the Services and acceptance thereof by the Commission or, if the Services are of an ongoing nature, on the Completion Date specified in such Request for Services. The Commission and the Consultant may, from time to time, by mutual agreement, extend the term of this Agreement by amending this Agreement.

b. The Commission shall have the right, at any time, to terminate the term of this Agreement, with or without cause, by written notice given to the Consultant at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination. In addition, the Commission shall have the right, at any time and from time to time, with or without cause, to suspend the performance of the Consultant hereunder with respect to all or any part of the Services, by written notice given to the Consultant at least five (5) days prior to the effective date of suspension. Termination or suspension of this Agreement shall not relieve the Consultant from liability for the performance of any obligation of the Consultant under this Agreement performed or to have been performed by the Consultant on or before the effective date of termination or suspension. Provided the Consultant is not in default under this Agreement at the time of termination or suspension, the Commission agrees to pay to the Consultant, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, all compensation and reimbursements due to the Consultant for periods up to the effective date of termination or suspension. In no event shall the Commission be liable to the Consultant for any loss, cost or damage which the Consultant or any other party may sustain by reason of the Commission terminating or suspending this Agreement as provided herein; provided, however, that the Commission may, in its sole discretion, reimburse the Consultant for actual expenses approved by the Commission.

c. If the Project, in whole or substantial part, is stopped for a period longer than thirty (30) days under an order of any court or other governmental authority having jurisdiction of the Project, or as a result of an act of government, such as a declaration of national emergency making materials unavailable, through no act or fault of the Consultant, or if the Commission fails to make any payment or perform any other

obligation hereunder, the Consultant shall have the right to terminate this agreement, by written notice given to the Commission at least seven (7) days prior to the effective date of termination, and shall have the right to recover from the Commission all compensation and reimbursements due to the Consultant for periods up to the effective date of termination.

5. Compensation of Consultant; Reimbursement for Expenses. The Commission shall compensate the Consultant for the Services in the manner set forth Schedule D of this agreement. In addition, the Commission shall, upon submission by the Consultant, which the Consultant may do no more frequently than once every 30 days, and approval by the Commission of detailed invoices therefore, reimburses the Consultant for all Reimbursable Expenses. As used in this paragraph, the term "Reimbursable Expenses" shall mean those expenses identified as such in this agreements to this Agreement.

6. Rights and Obligations of Commission. In connection with the administration of the Project by the Commission and the performance of this Agreement by the Consultant, the Commission shall have the following rights and obligations, in addition to those provided elsewhere in this Agreement:

a. Information. The Commission shall provide the Consultant all reasonably requested information concerning the Commission's requirements for the Project and the Services.

b. Review of Documents. Subject to the provisions of subparagraph 3 (e) above, the Commission agrees to make a reasonable effort to examine documents submitted by the Consultant and render decisions pertaining thereto with reasonable promptness.

c. Site Data. To the extent the Commission determines to be necessary for the Consultant to perform the Services, the Commission may furnish, or may authorize the Consultant to obtain from a company or companies approved by the Commission as Reimbursable Expenses: (i) a certified survey of the site or sites; (ii) information concerning locations, dimensions and data pertaining to existing buildings and other improvements; (iii) title information; (iv) information concerning available service and utility lines; and (v) results of test borings and other information concerning subsoil conditions.

d. Tests and Reports. To the extent required for the Consultant to perform the Services, the Commission may furnish structural, civil, chemical, mechanical, soil mechanical and/or other tests and reports; however, the Commission may authorize the Consultant to procure such tests and reports from a company or companies approved by the Commission as Reimbursable Expenses.

e. Legal, Auditing and other Services. The Commission shall arrange and pay for such legal, auditing, insurance counseling and other services as the Commission, in its sole discretion, may determine to be required for the Project. Such payments shall not include legal or auditing expenses arising out of or relating to any errors or omissions, or claimed errors or omissions, of Consultant.

f. Designated Representatives. The Commission may designate, at its sole discretion, one or more representatives authorized to act in its behalf.

g. Indemnities. The Commission shall require, by appropriate provision in each contract let by the Commission after the date of this Agreement with respect to the Project that the contractor(s) and consultant(s) there under shall indemnify, save and hold harmless the Commission, the User Agency and the Consultant, and each of them, and

their respective commissioners, board members, officers, agents and employees, from all claims, demands, actions and the like, of every nature and description, made or instituted by third parties, arising or alleged to arise out of the work under such contract, and that the contractor there under shall purchase and maintain during the life of such contract such insurance as the Commission may require.

h. Ownership of Documents. All documents, data, studies and reports prepared by the Consultant or any party engaged by the Consultant, pertaining to the Project and/or the Services shall be the property of the Commission including copyrights as described in Section 3(m) above.

i. Audits. The Commission shall have the right to audit the books of the Consultant on all subjects relating to the Project and/or the Services.

7. Indemnification of Commission. The Consultant hereby agrees to indemnify, keep and save harmless the Commission and the User Agency and their respective commissioners, board members, officers, agents, officials and employees from and against all claims, demands, suits, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, the fees and expenses of attorneys, that may arise out of or be based on any injury to persons or property that is or is claimed to be the result of an error, omission or act of the Consultant or any person employed by the Consultant to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

8. Insurance to be Maintained by Consultant. The Consultant shall purchase and maintain at all times during the performance of Services hereunder, for the benefit of the Commission, the User Agency and the Consultant, insurance coverage as set forth in Schedule E of this agreement.

9. Default.

a. Events of Default. Any one or more of the following occurrences shall constitute an Event of Default under this Agreement:

i. Failure or refusal on the part of the Consultant duly to observe or perform any obligation or agreement on the part of the Consultant contained in this Agreement, which failure or refusal continues for a period of ten (10) days (or such longer period as the Commission, in its sole discretion, may determine if such failure is not capable of being cured within such ten (10) day period) after the date on which written notice thereof shall have been give to the Consultant by the Commission;

ii. Any representation or warranty of the Consultant set forth herein or otherwise delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall have been false in any material respect when so made or furnished;

iii. The Consultant becomes insolvent or ceases doing business as a going concern, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or generally fails to pay, or admits in writing its inability to pay, its debts as they become due, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or is adjudicated a bankrupt or an insolvent, or files a petition seeking for itself any reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution, or similar arrangement under any present or future statute, law or regulation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or files an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or applies for, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver, liquidator or other custodian of it or of all or any substantial part of its assets or properties, or if it or its principals shall take any action in furtherance of any of the

foregoing; or

iv. There shall be commenced any proceeding against the Consultant seeking reorganization, arrangement, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any present or future statute, law or regulation relating to bankruptcy which is not vacated, stayed, discharged, bonded or dismissed within sixty (60) days thereof, or there shall be appointed, without the Consultant's consent or acquiescence, any trustee, receiver, liquidator or other custodian of Custodian or of all or any substantial part of the Consultant's assets and properties, and such appointment shall not have been vacated, stayed, discharged, bonded or otherwise dismissed within sixty (60) days thereof.

b. **Remedies.** If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, then the Commission may exercise any right, power or remedy permitted to it by law or in equity and shall have, in particular, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the right to terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the Consultant, in which event the Commission shall have no further obligations hereunder or liability to the Consultant except as to payment for Services actually received and accepted by the Commission through the effective date of termination. No courses of dealing on the part of the Commission or delay or failure on the part of the Commission to exercise any right shall operate as a waiver of such right or otherwise prejudice the Commission's rights, powers or remedies.

c. **Remedies not Exclusive.** No right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Commission is exclusive of any right or remedy herein or by law or equity provided or permitted, but each shall be cumulative of every other right or remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, and may be enforced concurrently therewith or from time to time.

10. **Disputes.**

a. **General.** All disputes arising under, related to or in connection with the terms of this Agreement or its interpretation, whether involving law or fact or both, including without limitation questions concerning allowability of compensation, and all claims for alleged breach of contract, shall be presented in writing to the Executive Director for final determination.

b. **Procedure.** Requests for determination of disputes will be made by the Consultant in writing specifically referencing this Section, and will include: 1) the issue(s) presented for resolution; 2) a statement of the respective positions of the Consultant and the Project Manager; 3) the facts underlying the dispute; 4) reference to the applicable provisions of the Agreement by page and section; 5) identify any other parties believed to be necessary to the resolution; and 6) all documentation which describes and relates to the dispute. Consultant will promptly provide the Executive Director with a copy of the request for determination of the dispute. The Project Manager will have thirty (30) business days to respond in writing to the dispute by supplementing the submission or providing its own submission to the Executive Director. Failure by the Project Manager to respond will not be deemed to be an admission of any allegations made in the request for dispute resolution, but will be deemed to constitute a waiver of the opportunity to respond to such allegation(s), if any. The Executive Director's decision may thereafter be reached in accordance with such other information or assistance as she or he may deem reasonable, necessary or desirable.

c. **Effect.** The Executive Director's final decision will be rendered in writing no more than forty-five (45) business days after receipt of the response by the Project Manager was filed or was due unless the Executive Director notifies the Consultant that additional time for the decision is necessary. The Executive Director's decision will be

conclusive, final, and binding on all parties. Consultant must follow the procedures set out in this Section and receive the Executive Director's final decision as a condition precedent to filing a complaint in the Circuit Court of Cook County or any other court.

The Consultant will not withhold performance of any Services required by the Commission under this Agreement during the dispute resolution period. The Executive Director's written determination will be complied with pending final resolution of the dispute.

11. **Confidentiality.** All of the reports, information, or data prepared or assembled by the Consultant under this Agreement are confidential, and the Consultant agrees that such reports, information or data shall not be made available to any party without the prior written approval of the Commission. In addition, the Consultant shall not, without the prior written consent of the Commission, prepare or distribute any news releases, articles, brochures, advertisements or other materials concerning this Agreement, the Project or the Services.

12. **Assignment.** The Consultant acknowledges that the Commission is induced to enter into this Agreement by the personal qualifications of the principals, staff and employees of the Consultant and agrees, therefore, that neither this Agreement nor any right or obligation hereunder may be assigned by the Consultant, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Commission. The Commission expressly reserves the right to assign or otherwise transfer all or any part of its interests hereunder without the consent or approval of the Consultant.

13. **Personnel.** The Consultant further acknowledges that the Consultant has represented to the Commission the availability of certain members of the Consultant's staff who will be assigned to the Project, and agrees, therefore, that in the event of the unavailability of such members due, the Consultant shall so notify the Commission in writing, and shall assign other qualified members of the Consultant's staff, as approved by the Commission, to the Project.

14. **Relationship of Parties.** The relationship of the Consultant to the Commission hereunder is that of an independent contractor, and the Consultant, except to the extent expressly provided to the contrary in this agreement, shall have no right or authority to make contracts or commitments for or on behalf of the Commission, to sign or endorse on behalf of the Commission any instruments of any nature or to enter into any obligation binding upon the Commission. This Agreement shall not be construed as an agreement of partnership, joint venture, or agency.

15. **Miscellaneous.**

a. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, any of which shall be deemed an original.

b. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous oral or written representations or communications with respect to the subject matter hereof, all of which communications are merged herein. This Agreement shall not be modified, amended or in any way altered except by an instrument in writing signed by both of the parties hereto.

c. **Force Majeure.** Neither of the parties shall be liable to the other for any delay or failure in performance hereunder due to causes which are beyond the control of the party unable to perform. If a force majeure occurs, the party delayed or unable to perform shall give prompt notice to the other party, and the Commission may, at any time during the continuation of the force majeure event, elect to suspend the performance of the Consultant under this Agreement for the duration of the force majeure. The

Commission shall not be obligated to pay for Services to the extent and for the duration that performance thereof is delayed or prevented by force majeure, but, provided the Consultant is not in default of any obligation of the Consultant hereunder, the Commission shall pay to the Consultant, according to the terms hereof, all compensation and reimbursements due to the Consultant for periods up to the effective date of suspension.

d. **Governing Law.** This Agreement has been negotiated and executed in the State of Illinois and shall be construed under and in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Illinois.

e. **No Waiver.** The waiver by either party of any breach of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver as to any succeeding breach.

f. **Notices.** All notices required to be given hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be hand delivered or sent by United States certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, addressed to Commission and to the Consultant at their respective addresses set forth above. If given as herein provided, such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery, if delivered by hand, and on the second business day after mailing, if given by mail. The Commission or the Consultant may, from time to time, change the address to which notices hereunder shall be sent by giving notice to the other party in the manner provided in this subparagraph.

g. **Reimbursable Expenses** as herein referred to includes actual expenditures, as identified in this agreements, made by the Consultant.

h. **Severability.** In the event that any provisions of this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

i. **Successors and Assigns.** Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of each of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

j. **Consultant's Authority.** Execution of this Agreement by the Consultant is authorized by a resolution of its Board of Directors, if a corporation, or similar governing document if a partnership or a joint venture, and the signatures(s) of each person signing on behalf of the Consultant have been made with complete and full authority to commit the Consultant to all terms and conditions of this Agreement, including each and every representation, certification and warranty contained or incorporated by reference in it.

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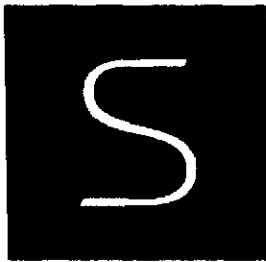
SCHEDULES FOLLOW.

SCHEDULE A

SCOPE OF SERVICE

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April 2, 2008

Mr. Kevin Hall, AIA
Project Manager
Public Building Commission of Chicago
50 West Washington Street, Room 200
Chicago, IL 60602

Additional Site Investigation, Remediation Plan and Oversight
Beverly Library Project
1962 West 95th Street, Chicago, IL

Dear Mr. Hall:

GSG Consultants, Inc. (GSG) is pleased to submit this proposal to provide environmental engineering services for the above referenced site. The environmental services include performing additional site investigation to delineate the extent of impacted soil at the site, preparing design plans and specification, and performing oversight during construction activities at the site. GSG will perform the site investigation activities in accordance with our contract with the Public Building Commission of Chicago (PBCC) and the Illinois EPA requirements and guidelines. Scope of Services section of this proposal outlines our approach for this project.

A. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The phase II ESA investigation will include the following tasks:

- A. Perform additional site investigation
- B. Prepare design plan and specification
- C. Perform oversight during construction activities

The following sections provide detailed description of each of the above tasks:

A. Perform Additional Site Investigation

The objective of the additional site investigation is to delineate the extent of arsenic impacted soil at the site. The additional site investigation will include collecting surface soil samples from the site and sidewalks and analyzing the soil samples for total arsenic. GSG will utilize the analytical results in the preparation of soil management plan and design specification for the construction phase of the project.

B. Prepare Remediation Design plan and specifications

GSG will prepare remediation design plan and specification for soil management and handling during construction activities at the site. GSS will incorporate previous site investigation and remediation activities completed to date into the remediation design plan. The remediation plans will include clear line of responsibility and work procedures and the discovery of unforeseen conditions during the site demolition. The specification will outline work procedures to minimize the impact of such discovery to the project schedule. GSG will also participate in the pre-bid conference meetings, and will prepare any required addendum or other related information.

C. Perform Remediation Oversight

GSG will perform remediation oversight during the site construction activities to ensure that all work activities are performed in accordance with the project remediation plans and specifications and all applicable local, state and federal regulations. Specifically, GSG will perform the following activities:

1. Provide oversight and document remedial activities to ensure that construction/remediation activities are performed in conformance with the project remediation plans and specifications. We will maintain one (1) full time field engineer during remediation activities to observe, monitor, and direct the contractor's work and measure and monitor the progress of the contractor and any Subcontractor personnel. GSG will monitor the work for cost and schedule performance and help resolve any disputes in a timely manner. GSG field inspector will prepare Inspector's Daily Reports that include type of workers, hours, equipment, measurements and calculations to determine actual quantities of equipment, materials, and work performed by the Contractor.
2. Review and approve Contractor's submittal related to remediation aspect of the project.
3. Attend weekly construction meetings and other meeting as requested by the PBCC.
4. Response to RFIs issued by the contractor for the proper execution of the work
5. Review contractor's Application for Payments, invoices, and all other supporting documentation in accordance with the Commission's policies and procedures, and make recommendations concerning contractor's progress and final payment request.
6. Obtain copies all waste stream authorizations for soil, product, and water prior to starting any remediation activities, and copies of all waste disposal manifests, receipts, trip tickets, and other form of documentation after completing remediation activities. We will also maintain accurate logs of wastewater discharge if a permit for water disposal at the MWRDGC, if water is discharged to the MWRDGC facility.



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7. Review analytical results of all backfill materials imported to the site to ensure that the fill materials meet the project specifications and the Illinois EPA regulatory requirements.
8. Prepare weekly progress report summarizing site location of areas remediated, areas backfilled, and volumes of wastes removed from the site.
9. Prepare final summary report upon the completion of the remediation activities at the site. The report will include copies of waste manifests, receipts, and other related documentation for the PBCC records.

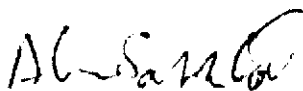
BUDGET

The following is GSG's maximum not-to-exceed budget to complete the work activities outlined in this proposal:

Description	Cost Estimate
A. Additional Site Investigation	\$ 8,000
B. Prepare Design Plans and Specifications	\$ 4,500
C. Remediation Oversight	
Field Engineer 200 hours @ \$65/hour	\$13,000
Project Manager 40 hours @ \$100/hour	\$ 4,000
Senior Project Manager 16 hours @ \$125/hour	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Total Cost Estimate	\$31,500

We appreciate the opportunity to present this proposal to the Public Building Commission of Chicago. We look forward to working with you on this project. Should you have any questions regarding our proposal, please feel free to call me at (312) 733-6262.

Sincerely,



Ala E Sassila, Ph.D., P.E.
Vice President



SCHEDULE B & C

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SCHEDULE D
COMPENSATION

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D.1 CONSULTANT'S FEE

- D.1.1 The Commission shall pay the Consultant for the satisfactory performance of the Services a Not-To-Exceed Fee ("Fee") of thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$31,500.00) for all work included in Schedule A. The Fee will, in the absence of a change in scope of the Project by the Commission or the issuance of Commission-originated additive change orders constitutes the Consultant's full fee for Basic Services.
- D.1.2. Consultant's Fee will include profit, overhead, general conditions, materials, equipment, computers, vehicles, office labor, field labor, insurance, deliverables, and any other costs incurred in preparation and submittal of deliverables.

D.2 HOURLY RATES FOR CONSULTANT AND SUBCONSULTANT PERSONNEL

- D.2.1 **Hourly Rates for Consultant and Subconsultant Personnel.** All Consultant and Subconsultant personnel and the hourly rate billable for each are subject to the prior approval of the Commission.
- D.2.2 **Hourly Rates** for Consultant and Subconsultant personnel are provided in Consultant's proposal, which follows Schedule D. The hourly rates provided by the Consultant will be used to determine the costs for any work related to the Project not included in Schedule A.

D.3 METHOD OF PAYMENT

- D.3.1 **Invoices.** The Consultant will submit an invoice to the Commission for Services performed, that will be paid in one lump sum after all Services required by this Agreement have been completed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Commission.

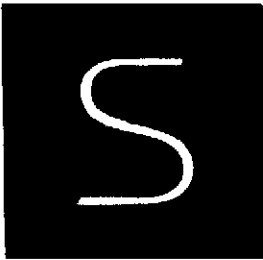
Each invoice must be supported with such reasonable detail and data as the Commission may require, including detail and data related to Subconsultant costs. In accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Consultant must maintain complete documentation of all costs incurred for review and audit by the Commission or its designated audit representative(s). Each invoice must be submitted in the format directed by the Commission. Invoices must be accompanied by a progress report in a format acceptable to the Commission. Such progress report must identify any variances from budget or schedule and explain the reasons for such variances.

- D.3.2 **Payment.** Payment will be processed within thirty (30) days after Commission receives an acceptable invoice from the Consultant.

D.3.3 Invoice Disputes. If the Commission disputes certain items in the Consultant's invoices, the amount not disputed will be paid in full. The amount in question must be resolved in accordance with the Disputes provisions of this Agreement.

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April 2, 2008

Mr. Kevin Hall, AIA
Project Manager
Public Building Commission of Chicago
50 West Washington Street, Room 200
Chicago, IL 60602

Additional Site Investigation, Remediation Plan and Oversight
Beverly Library Project
1962 West 95th Street, Chicago, IL

Dear Mr. Hall:

GSG Consultants, Inc. (GSG) is pleased to submit this proposal to provide environmental engineering services for the above referenced site. The environmental services include performing additional site investigation to delineate the extent of impacted soil at the site, preparing design plans and specification, and performing oversight during construction activities at the site. GSG will perform the site investigation activities in accordance with our contract with the Public Building Commission of Chicago (PBCC) and the Illinois EPA requirements and guidelines. Scope of Services section of this proposal outlines our approach for this project.

A. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The phase II ESA investigation will include the following tasks:

- A. Perform additional site investigation
- B. Prepare design plan and specification
- C. Perform oversight during construction activities

The following sections provide detailed description of each of the above tasks:

A. Perform Additional Site Investigation

The objective of the additional site investigation is to delineate the extent of arsenic impacted soil at the site. The additional site investigation will include collecting surface soil samples from the site and sidewalks and analyzing the soil samples for total arsenic. GSG will utilize the analytical results in the preparation of soil management plan and design specification for the construction phase of the project.

B. Prepare Remediation Design plan and specifications

GSG will prepare remediation design plan and specification for soil management and handling during construction activities at the site. GSS will incorporate previous site investigation and remediation activities completed to date into the remediation design plan. The remediation plans will include clear line of responsibility and work procedures and the discovery of unforeseen conditions during the site demolition. The specification will outline work procedures to minimize the impact of such discovery to the project schedule. GSG will also participate in the pre-bid conference meetings, and will prepare any required addendum or other related information.

C. Perform Remediation Oversight

GSG will perform remediation oversight during the site construction activities to ensure that all work activities are performed in accordance with the project remediation plans and specifications and all applicable local, state and federal regulations. Specifically, GSG will perform the following activities:

1. Provide oversight and document remedial activities to ensure that construction/remediation activities are performed in conformance with the project remediation plans and specifications. We will maintain one (1) full time field engineer during remediation activities to observe, monitor, and direct the contractor's work and measure and monitor the progress of the contractor and any Subcontractor personnel. GSG will monitor the work for cost and schedule performance and help resolve any disputes in a timely manner. GSG field inspector will prepare Inspector's Daily Reports that include type of workers, hours, equipment, measurements and calculations to determine actual quantities of equipment, materials, and work performed by the Contractor.
2. Review and approve Contractor's submittal related to remediation aspect of the project.
3. Attend weekly construction meetings and other meeting as requested by the PBCC.
4. Response to RFIs issued by the contractor for the proper execution of the work
5. Review contractor's Application for Payments, invoices, and all other supporting documentation in accordance with the Commission's policies and procedures, and make recommendations concerning contractor's progress and final payment request.
6. Obtain copies all waste stream authorizations for soil, product, and water prior to starting any remediation activities, and copies of all waste disposal manifests, receipts, trip tickets, and other form of documentation after completing remediation activities. We will also maintain accurate logs of wastewater discharge if a permit for water disposal at the MWRDGC, if water is discharged to the MWRDGC facility.



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7. Review analytical results of all backfill materials imported to the site to ensure that the fill materials meet the project specifications and the Illinois EPA regulatory requirements.
8. Prepare weekly progress report summarizing site location of areas remediated, areas backfilled, and volumes of wastes removed from the site.
9. Prepare final summary report upon the completion of the remediation activities at the site. The report will include copies of waste manifests, receipts, and other related documentation for the PBCC records.

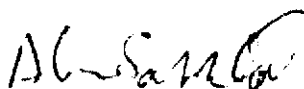
BUDGET

The following is GSG's maximum not-to-exceed budget to complete the work activities outlined in this proposal:

Description	Cost Estimate
A. Additional Site Investigation	\$ 8,000
B. Prepare Design Plans and Specifications	\$ 4,500
C. Remediation Oversight	
Field Engineer 200 hours @ \$65/hour	\$13,000
Project Manager 40 hours @ \$100/hour	\$ 4,000
Senior Project Manager 16 hours @ \$125/hour	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Total Cost Estimate	\$31,500

We appreciate the opportunity to present this proposal to the Public Building Commission of Chicago. We look forward to working with you on this project. Should you have any questions regarding our proposal, please feel free to call me at (312) 733-6262.

Sincerely,



Ala E Sassila, Ph.D., P.E.
Vice President



SCHEDULE E INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

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The Contractor must provide and maintain at Contractor's own expense, the minimum insurance coverage and requirements specified below, insuring all operations related to the Contract.

The insurance must remain in effect from: the date of the notice to proceed until Substantial Completion of the project, during completion of Punch List, as well as any time Contractor returns to perform additional work regarding warranties or for any other purpose.

INSURANCE TO BE PROVIDED

1) **Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability**

Workers' Compensation Insurance, as prescribed by applicable law covering all employees who are to provide a service under this Contract and Employers Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$500,000 each accident, illness or disease.

2) **Commercial General Liability (Primary and Umbrella)**

Commercial General Liability Insurance or equivalent with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage liability. Coverage must include the following: All premises and operations, products/completed operations (for minimum of two (2) years following project completion), explosion, collapse, underground, separation of insureds, defense, and contractual liability with no limitation endorsement. The Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago are to be named as additional insureds on a primary, non-contributory basis for any liability arising directly or indirectly from the work.

Subcontractors performing work for Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with the same terms herein.

3) **Automobile Liability (Primary and Umbrella)**

When any motor vehicles (owned, non-owned and hired) are used in connection with work to be performed, the Contractor must provide Automobile Liability Insurance, with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. The Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago are to be named as additional insureds on a primary, non-contributory basis.

Subcontractors performing work for Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with the same terms herein.

4) Contractors Pollution Liability

When any work is performed which may cause a pollution exposure, Contractors Pollution Liability must be provided covering bodily injury, property damage and other losses caused by pollution conditions that arise from the Contract scope of services with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. When policies are renewed or replaced, the policy retroactive date must coincide with or precede, start of work on the Contract. A claims-made policy, which is not renewed or replaced, must have an extended reporting period of two (2) years. The Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago are to be named as additional insureds on a primary, non-contributory basis.

Subcontractors performing work for Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with the same terms herein.

5) Professional Liability

When any architects, engineers, construction managers or other professional consultants perform work in connection with this Contract, Professional Liability Insurance covering acts, errors, or omissions must be maintained with limits of not less than \$2,000,000. When policies are renewed or replaced, the policy retroactive date must coincide with, or precede, start of work on the Contract. A claims-made policy, which is not renewed or replaced, must have an extended reporting period of two (2) years.

Subcontractors performing work for Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with the same terms herein.

6. Property

The Consultant is responsible for all loss or damage to Commission and/or City of Chicago property at full replacement or repair cost. The Consultant is responsible for all loss or damage to personal property (including but not limited to materials, equipment, tools, and supplies) owned, rented, or used by Consultant.

B. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must furnish the Public Building Commission Procurement Department, Richard J. Daley Center, Room 200, Chicago, IL 60602, original Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, to be in force on the date of this Contract, and Renewal Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, if any insurance policy has an expiration or renewal date occurring during the term of this Contract. The Contractor must submit evidence of insurance to the Public Building Commission prior to Contract award. The receipt of any certificate does not constitute agreement by the Commission that the insurance requirements in the Contract have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate are in compliance with all Contract requirements. The failure of the Commission to obtain certificates or other insurance evidence from Contractor is not a waiver by the Commission of any requirements for the Contractor to obtain and maintain the specified insurance. The Contractor will advise all insurers of the Contract provisions regarding insurance. Non-conforming insurance does not relieve Contractor of the

obligation to provide insurance as specified in this contract. Nonfulfillment of the insurance conditions may constitute a breach of the Contract, and the Commission retains the right to stop work until proper evidence of insurance is provided, or the Contract may be terminated.

The Commission reserves the right to obtain copies of insurance policies and records from the Contractor and/or its subcontractors at any time upon written request.

The insurance must provide for 60 days prior written notice to be given to the Commission in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled, or non-renewed.

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions on referenced insurance must be borne by Contractor.

The Contractor agrees that insurers waive their rights of subrogation against the Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago, their respective Board members, employees, elected officials, officers, or representatives.

The insurance coverage and limits furnished by Contractor in no way limit the Contractor's liabilities and responsibilities specified within the Contract or by law.

Any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago do not contribute with insurance provided by the Contractor under the Contract.

The required insurance to be carried is not limited by any limitations expressed in the indemnification language in this Contract or any limitation placed on the indemnity in this Contract given as a matter of law.

If contractor is a joint venture or limited liability company, the insurance policies must name the joint venture or limited liability company as a named insured.

The Contractor must require all subcontractors to provide the insurance required herein, or Contractor may provide the insurance for subcontractors. All subcontractors are subject to the same insurance requirements of Contractor unless otherwise specified in this Contract.

If Contractor or subcontractor desires additional coverage, the party desiring the additional coverage is responsible for the acquisition and cost

The Public Building Commission maintains the rights to modify, delete, alter or change these requirements.

EXHIBIT A
DISCLOSURE OF RETAINED PARTIES

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DISCLOSURE OF RETAINED PARTIES

A. Definitions and Disclosure Requirements

1. As used herein, "Contractor/Consultant/Architect" means a person or entity who has any contract or lease with the Public Building Commission of Chicago ("Commission").
2. Commission bids, leases, contracts, and/or qualification submittals must be accompanied by a disclosure statement providing certain information about lobbyists whom the Contractor/Consultant/Architect has retained or expects to retain with respect to the contract or lease. In particular, the Contractor/Consultant/Architect must disclose the name of each such person, his or her business address, the name of the relationship, and the amount of fees paid or estimated to be paid. The Contractor/Consultant/Architect is not required to disclose employees who are paid solely through the Contractor/Consultant/Architect's regular payroll.
3. "Lobbyists" means any person (a) who for compensation or on behalf of any person other than himself undertake to influence any legislative or administrative action, or (b) any part of whose duties as an employee of another includes undertaking to influence any legislative or administrative action.

B. Certification

Contractor/Consultant/Architect hereby certifies as follows:

1. This Disclosure relates to the following transaction: PS1293
Description or goods or services to be provided under Contract: PS1293
Additional Site Investigation, Prepare Design Plans, and Remediation Oversight Services
2. Name of Contractor/Consultant/Architect: GSG Consultants, Inc.
3. **EACH AND EVERY** lobbyist retained or anticipated to be retained by the Contractor/Consultant/Architect with respect to or in connection with the contract or lease is listed below. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Retained Parties:

Name	Business Address	Relationship (Attorney, Lobbyist, etc.)	Fees (indicate whether paid or estimated)
Stat Analysis Corp	2242 W. Harrison	Subcontractor	Estimated *

Check Here If No Such Persons Have been Retained or Are Anticipated To Be Retained: _____

* Depending upon requirements

DISCLOSURE OF RETAINED PARTIES

4. The Contractor/Consultant/Architect understands and agrees as follows:
- The information provided herein is a material inducement to the Commission execution of the contract or other action with respect to which this Disclosure of Retained Parties form is being executed, and the Commission may rely on the information provided herein. Furthermore, if the Commission determines that any information provided herein is false, incomplete, or inaccurate, the Commission may terminate the contract or other transaction, terminate the Contractor/Consultant/Architect's participation in the contract or other transactions with the Commission.
 - If the Contractor/Consultant/Architect is uncertain whether a disclosure is required, the Contractor/Consultant/Architect must either ask the Commission's Representative or his or her manager whether disclosure is required or make the disclosure.
 - This Disclosure of Retained Parties form, some or all of the information provided herein, and any attachments may be made available to the public on the Internet, in response to a Freedom of Information Act request, or otherwise. The Contractor/Consultant/Architect waives and releases any possible rights or claims it may have against the Commission in connection with the public release of information contained in the completed Disclosure of Retained Parties form and any attachments.

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that I am authorized to execute this Disclosure of Retained Parties on behalf of the Contractor/Consultant/Architect and that the information disclosed herein is true and complete.


Signature

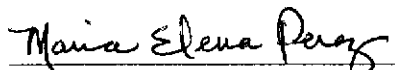
05-16-08
Date

Guillermo Garcia
Name (Type or Print)

President
Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 16th day of May 2008


Notary Public

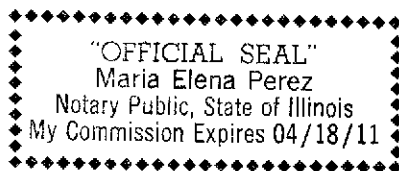


EXHIBIT B
DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

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Date: 05/16/08

DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

Name: GSG Consultants, Inc.

Address: 855 W. Adams St., Suite 200, Chicago, IL 60607

Telephone No.: 312-733-6262

Federal Employer I.D. #: 36-3844476 Social Security #: _____

Nature of Transaction:

- ☐ Sale or purchase of land
☐ Construction Contract
☒ Professional Services Agreement
☐ Other

Instructions: FOR USE WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE TRANSACTIONS. Any firm proposing one of the above transactions with the Public Building Commission of Chicago must complete this Disclosure Affidavit. Please note that in the event the Contractor is a joint venture, the joint venture and each of the joint venture partners must submit a completed Disclosure Affidavit.

The undersigned Guillermo Garcia, as President
(Name) (Title)

and on behalf of GSG Consultants, Inc.
("Bidder/ Proposer" or "Contractor") having been duly sworn under oath certifies that:

I. DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTERESTS

Pursuant to Resolution No. 5371 of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Building Commission of Chicago, all bidders/proposers shall provide the following information with their bid/proposal. If the question is not applicable, answer "NA". If the answer is none, please answer "none".

Bidder/Proposer/Contractor is a: ☒ Corporation ☐ LLC
☐ Partnership ☐ LLP
☐ Joint Venture ☐ Not-for-Profit Corporation
☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Other

SECTION 1. FOR PROFIT CORPORATION OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

a. State of Incorporation or organization Illinois

b. Authorized to do business in the State of Illinois: Yes [☒] No []

c. Names of all officers of corporation or LLC
(or attach list):

Names of all directors of corporation or LLC
(or attach list):

Name (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)	Name (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)
<u>Guillermo Garcia</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Guillermo Garcia</u>	<u>President</u>
<u>Arturo Saenz</u>	<u>Vice-President</u>	<u>Arturo Saenz</u>	<u>Vice-President</u>
<u>Ala Sassila</u>	<u>Vice-President</u>		

d. Indicate here or attach a list of names and addresses of all shareholders owning shares equal to or in excess of seven and one-half percent (7.5%) of the proportionate ownership of the corporation and indicate the percentage interest of each.

Name (Print or Type)	Address	Ownership Interest
<u>Guillermo Garcia</u>	<u>855 W. Adams St., Chicago, IL</u>	<u>51</u> %
<u>Arturo Saenz</u>	<u>855 W. Adams St., Chicago, IL</u>	<u>39</u> %
<u>Ala Sassila</u>	<u>855 W. Adams St., Chicago, IL</u>	<u>10</u> %

e. For LLC's, state whether member-managed or identify managing member:

_____.

f. Is the corporation or LLC owned partially or completely by one or more other corporations or legal entities?

Yes [] No [☒]

If "yes" provide the above information, as applicable, for each such corporation or entity such that any person with a beneficial ownership interest of 7.5% or more in the corporation contracting in the PBC is disclosed. For example, if Corporation B owns 15% of Corporation A, and Corporation A is contracting with the PBC, then Corporation B must complete a Disclosure Affidavit. If Corporation B is owned by Corporations C and D, each of which owns 50% of Corporation B, then both Corporations C and D must complete Disclosure Affidavits.

SECTION 2. PARTNERSHIPS

- a. If the bidder/proposer or Contractor is a partnership, indicate the name of each partner and the percentage of interest of each therein. Also indicate, if applicable, whether general partner (GP) or limited partner (LP)

Name of Partners (Print or Type)	Percentage Interest
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %

SECTION 3. SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP

- a. The bidder/proposer or Contractor is a sole proprietorship and is not acting in any representative capacity on behalf of any beneficiary: Yes ☐ No ☐
If NO, complete items b. and c. of this Section 3.
- b. If the sole proprietorship is held by an agent(s) or a nominee(s), indicate the principal(s) for whom the agent or nominee holds such interest.

Name(s) of Principal(s). (Print or Type)

- c. If the interest of a spouse or any other party is constructively controlled by another person or legal entity, state the name and address of such person or entity possessing such control and the relationship under which such control is being or may exercised.

Name(s)

Address(es)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

SECTION 4. LAND TRUSTS, BUSINESS TRUSTS, ESTATES & OTHER ENTITIES

If the bidder/proposer or Contractor is a land trust, business trust, estate or other similar commercial or legal entity, identify any representative, person or entity holding legal title as well as each beneficiary in whose behalf title is held including the name, address and percentage of interest of each beneficiary.

Name(s)

Address(es)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

SECTION 5. NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS

a. State of incorporation _____

b. Name of all officers and directors of corporation (or attach list):

Name (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)	Name (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)
_____	_____	_____	_____
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NOTE: The Public Building Commission of Chicago may require additional information from any entity or individual to achieve full disclosure relevant to the transaction. Further, any material change in the information required above must be provided by supplementing this statement at any time up to the time the Public Building Commission of Chicago takes action on the contract or other action requested of the Public Building Commission.

II. CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

A. CONTRACTOR

1. The Contractor, or any affiliated entities of the Contractor, or any responsible official thereof, or any other official, agent or employee of the Contractor, any such affiliated entity, acting pursuant to the direction or authorization of a responsible official thereof has not, during a period of three years prior to the date of execution of this certification:
 - a. Bribe or attempted to bribe, or been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe a public officer or employee of the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois, any agency of the federal government or any state or local government in the United States (if an officer or employee, in that officer's or employee's official capacity); or
 - b. Agreed or colluded, or been convicted of agreement or collusion among bidders or prospective bidders in restraint of freedom of competition by agreement to bid a fixed price or otherwise; or

- c. Made an admission of such conduct described in 1(a) or (b) above which is a matter of record but has not been prosecuted for such conduct.
2. The Contractor or agent, partner, employee or officer of the Contractor is not barred from contracting with any unit of state or local government as a result of engaging in or being convicted of bid-rigging² in violation of Section 3 of Article 33E of the Illinois Criminal Code of 1961, as amended (720 ILCS 5/33E-3), or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as the offense of bid-rigging during a period of five years prior to the date of submittal of this bid, proposal or response.³
3. The Contractor or any agent, partner, employee, or officer of the Contractor is not barred from contracting with any unit of state or local government as a result of engaging in or being convicted of bid-rotating⁴ in violation of Section 4 of Article 33E of the Illinois Criminal Code of 1961, as amended (720 ILCS 5/33E-4), or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as the offense of bid-rotating.
4. The Contractor understands and will abide by all provisions of Chapter 2-56 of the Municipal Code entitled "Office of the Inspector General" and all provisions of the Public Building Commission Code of Ethics Resolution No.5339, as amended by Resolution No. 5371.
5. The Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal, state or local department or agency.
 - b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid or proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgement rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes; commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records; making false statements; or receiving stolen property;
 - c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (5)(b) above; and
 - d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid or proposal had one or more public transactions (federal, state or local) terminated for cause or default.

B. SUBCONTRACTORS

1. The Contractor has obtained from all subcontractors being used in the performance of this contract or agreement, known by the Contractor at this time, disclosures substantially in the form of Section 1, and certifications substantially in the form of Section 2, of this Disclosure Affidavit. Based on such disclosures and certification(s), and any other information known or obtained by the Contractor, is not aware of any such subcontractor or subcontractor's affiliated entity or any agent, partner, employee or officer of such subcontractor or subcontractor's affiliated entity having engaged in or been convicted of (a) any of the conduct describe in Section II(A) (1)(a) or (b) of this certification; (b) bid-rigging, bid-rotating, or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as bid-rigging or bid-rotating, or having made an admission of guilt of the conduct described in Section II(A)(1)(a) or (b) which is matter of record but has/have not been prosecuted for such conduct.
2. The Contractor will, prior to using them as subcontractors, obtain from all subcontractors to be used in the performance of this contract or agreement, but not yet known by the Contractor at this time, certifications substantially in the form of this certification. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written permission of the Commission, use any of such subcontractors in the performance of this contract if the Contractor, based on such certifications or any other information known or obtained by Contractor, became aware of such subcontractor, subcontractor's affiliated entity or any agent, employee or officer of such subcontractor or subcontractor's affiliated entity having engaged in or been convicted of (a) any of the conduct describe in Section II(A)(1)(a) or (b) of this certification or (b) bid-rigging, bid-rotating or any similar offenses of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as bid-rigging or bid-rotating or having made an admission of guilt of the conduct described in Section II(A)(1)(a) or (b) which is a matter of record but has/have not been prosecuted for such conduct. The Contractor shall cause such subcontractors to certify as to Section II(A)(5). In the event any subcontractor is unable to certify to Section II(A)(5), such subcontractor shall attach an explanation to the certification.
3. For all subcontractors to be used in the performance of this contract or agreement, the Contractor shall maintain for the duration of the contract all subcontractors' certifications required by Section II(B)(1) and (2) above, and Contractor shall make such certifications promptly available to the Public Building Commission of Chicago upon request.
4. The Contractor will not, without the prior written consent of the Public Building Commission of Chicago, use as subcontractors any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, joint venture or other entity from whom the Contractor is unable to obtain a certification substantially in the form of this certification.
5. The Contractor hereby agrees, if the Public Building Commission of Chicago so demands, to terminate its subcontractor with any subcontract if such subcontractor was ineligible at the time that the subcontract was entered into for award of such subcontract. The Contractor shall insert adequate provisions in all subcontracts to allow it to terminate such subcontract as required by this certification.

C. STATE TAX DELINQUENCIES

1. The Contractor is not delinquent in the payment of any tax administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue or, if delinquent, the Contractor is contesting, in accordance with the procedures established by the appropriate Revenue Act, its liability for the tax or amount of the tax.

2. Alternatively, the Contractor has entered into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Revenue for the payment of all such taxes that are due and is in compliance with such agreement.
3. If the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the above statements [(Section II (C))], the Contractor shall explain below. Attach additional pages if necessary.

None

If the letters "NA", the word "None" or no response appears on the lines above, it will be conclusively presumed that the Undersigned certified to the above statements.

4. If any subcontractors are to be used in the performance of this contract or agreement, the Contractor shall cause such subcontractors to certify as to paragraph (C)(1) or (C)(2) of this certification. In the event that any subcontractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such subcontractor shall attach an explanation to this certification.

D. OTHER TAXES/FEEES

1. The Contractor is not delinquent in paying any fine, fee, tax or other charge owed to the City of Chicago.
2. If Contractor is unable to certify to the above statement, Contractor shall explain below and attach additional sheets if necessary.

None

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E. PUNISHMENT

A Contractor who makes a false statement material to Section II(A)(2) of this certification commits a Class 3 felony. 720 ILCS 5/33E-11(b).

F. JUDICIAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

1. The Contractor is not a party to any pending lawsuits against the City of Chicago or the Public Building Commission of Chicago nor has Contractor been sued by the City of Chicago or the Public Building Commission of Chicago in any judicial or administrative proceeding.
2. If the Contractor cannot certify to the above, provide the (1) case name; (2) docket number; (3) court in which the action is or was pending; and (4) a brief description of each such judicial or administrative proceeding. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

None

If the letters "NA", the word "None" or no response appears on the lines above, it will be conclusively presumed that the Undersigned certified to the above statements.

III. CERTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

- A. Neither the Contractor nor any affiliated entity of the Contractor has, during a period of five years prior to the date of execution of this Affidavit: (1) violated or engaged in any conduct which violated federal, state or local Environmental Restriction⁵, (2) received notice of any claim, demand or action, including but not limited to citations and warrants, from any federal, state or local agency exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions relating to a violation or alleged violation of any federal, state or local statute, regulation or other Environmental Restriction; or (3) been subject to any fine or penalty of any nature for failure to comply with any federal, state or local statute, regulation or other Environmental Restriction.

If the Contractor cannot make the certification contained in Paragraph A of Section III, identify any exceptions:

None

(Attach additional pages of explanation to this Disclosure Affidavit, if necessary.)

If the letters "NA", the word "None" or no response appears on the lines above, it will be conclusively presumed that the Undersigned certified to the above statements.

- B. Without the prior written consent of the Public Building Commission of Chicago, Contractor will not employ any subcontractor in connection with the contract or proposal to which this Affidavit pertains without obtaining from such subcontractor a certification similar in form and substance to the certification contained in Paragraph A of this Section III prior to such subcontractor's performance of any work or services or furnishing any goods, supplies or materials of any kind under the proposal or the contract to which this Affidavit pertains.
- C. Until completion of the Contract's performance under the proposal or contract to which this Affidavit pertains, the Contractor will not violate any federal, state or local statute, regulation or other Environmental Restriction, whether in the performance of such contract or otherwise.

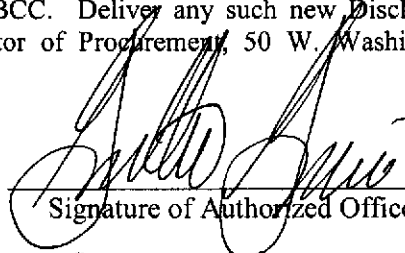
IV. INCORPORATION INTO CONTRACT AND COMPLIANCE

The above certification shall become part of any contract awarded to the Contractor set forth on page 1 of this Disclosure Affidavit and are a material inducement to the Public Building Commission of Chicago's execution of the contract, contract modification or contract amendment with respect to which this Disclosure Affidavit is being executed and delivered on behalf of the Contractor. Furthermore, Contractor shall comply with these certifications during the term and/or performance of the contract.

V. VERIFICATION

Under penalty or perjury, I certify that I am authorized to execute this Disclosure Affidavit on behalf of the Contractor set forth on page 1, that I have personal knowledge of all the certifications made herein and that the same are true.

The Contractor must report any change in any of the facts stated in this Affidavit to the Public Building Commission of Chicago within 14 days of the effective date of such change by completing and submitting a new Disclosure Affidavit. Failure to comply with this requirement is grounds for your firm to be deemed non-qualified to do business with the PBCC. Deliver any such new Disclosure Affidavit to: Public Building Commission of Chicago, Director of Procurement, 50 W. Washington, Room 200, Chicago, IL 60602.



Signature of Authorized Officer

Guillermo Garcia

Name of Authorized Officer (Print or Type)
President

Title

312-733-6262

Telephone Number

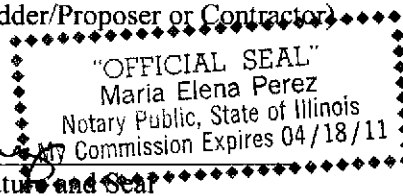
State of Illinois

County of Cook

Signed and sworn to before me on this 16th day of May, 2008 by

Guillermo Garcia (Name) as President (Title) of

GSG Consultants, Inc. (Bidder/Proposer or Contractor)


Maria Elena Perez

Notary Public Signature and Seal

Notes 1-5 Disclosure Affidavit

1. Business entities are affiliated if, directly or indirectly, one controls or has the power to control the other, or if a third person controls or has the power to control both entities. Indicia of control include without limitation: interlocking management or ownership; identity of interests among family members; shared facilities and equipment; common use of employees; or organization of another business entity using substantially the same management, ownership or principals as the first entity.
2. For purposes of Section II (A) (2) of this certification, a person commits the offense of and engages in bid-rigging when he knowingly agrees with any person who is, or but for such agreement should be, a competitor of such person concerning any bid submitted or not submitted by such person or another to a unit of state or local government when with the intent that the bid submitted or not submitted will result in the award of a contract to such person or another and he either (1) provides such person or receives from another information concerning the price or other material term or terms of the bid which would otherwise not be disclosed to a competitor in an independent non-collusive submission of bids or (2) submits a bid that is of such a price or other material term or terms that he does not intend the bid to be accepted. see 720 ILCS 5/33-E-3.
3. No corporation shall be barred from contracting with any unit of state or local government as a result of a conviction, under either Section 33E-3 or Section 33E-4 of Article 33 of the State of Illinois Criminal Code of 1961, as amended, of any employee or agent of such corporation if the employee so convicted is no longer employed by the corporation and: (1) it has been finally adjudicated not guilty or (2) it demonstrates to the governmental entity with which it seeks to contract and that entity finds that the commission of the offense was neither authorized, requested, commanded, nor performed by a director, officer or a high managerial agent on behalf of the corporation as provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 5-4 of the State of Illinois Criminal Code.
4. For purposes of Section II(A) of this certification, a person commits the offense of and engages in bid rotating when, pursuant to any collusive scheme or agreement with another, he engages in a pattern over time (which, for the purposes hereof, shall include at least three contract bids within a period of ten years, the most recent of which occurs after January 1, 1989) of submitting sealed bids to units of state or local government with the intent that the award of such bids rotates, or is distributed among, persons or business entities which submit bids on a substantial number of the same contracts. See 720 ILCS 5/33E-4.
5. "Environmental Restriction" means any statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, permit, permit condition, order or directive relating to or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning the release or threatened release of hazardous materials, special wastes or other contaminants into the environment, and to the generation, use, storage, transportation, or disposal of construction debris, bulk waste, refuse, garbage, solid wastes, hazardous materials, special wastes or other contaminants including but not limited to (1) Section 7-28-440 or 11-4-1500 or Article XIV of Chapter 11-4 or Chapter 7-28 or 11-4 of the Municipal Code of Chicago; (2) Comprehensive Environment Response and Compensation and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 *et seq.*); (3) the Hazardous Material Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. § 1801 *et seq.*); (4) the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. § 7401 *et seq.*); (5) the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.*); (6) the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 *et seq.*); (7) the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 (15 U.S.C. § 2601 *et seq.*); (8) the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. § 300f); (9) the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. § 651 *et seq.*); (10) the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (42 U.S.C. § 11001 *et seq.*); and (10) the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/1 through 5/56.6).

EXHIBIT C

W-9 Form

**ADDITIONAL SITE INVESTIGATION, PREPARE DESIGN PLANS,
and REMEDITATION OVERSIGHT SERVICES
BEVERLY BRANCH LIBRARY
1962 W. 95TH STREET
CHICAGO, IL**

(COMMISSION'S W-9 FORM EXECUTED BY CONSULTANT FOLLOWS THIS PAGE.)

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

Name (as shown on your income tax return) GSG Consultants, Inc.	
Business name, if different from above	
Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) 855 West Adams Street, Suite 200	
City, state, and ZIP code Chicago, IL 60607	
List account number(s) here (optional)	
Requester's name and address (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

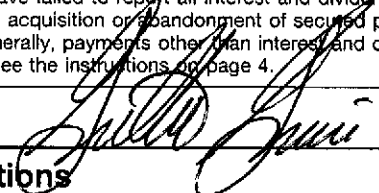
Social security number
or
Employer identification number 36-3844476

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶ 	Date ▶ 05-16-08
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,

- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name" line.

Limited liability company (LLC). Check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification ("D" for disregarded entity, "C" for corporation, "P" for partnership) in the space provided.

For a single-member LLC (including a foreign LLC with a domestic owner) that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulations section 301.7701-3, enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. Enter the LLC's name on the "Business name" line.

For an LLC classified as a partnership or a corporation, enter the LLC's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name" line.

Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name" line.

Note. You are requested to check the appropriate box for your status (individual/sole proprietor, corporation, etc.).

Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the business name, sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),

2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,

3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,

4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or

5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:

6. A corporation,

7. A foreign central bank of issue,

8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,

9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,

10. A real estate investment trust,

11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,

12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),

13. A financial institution,

14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or

15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The chart below shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 13. Also, a person registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 who regularly acts as a broker
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7

¹See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

²However, the following payments made to a corporation (including gross proceeds paid to an attorney under section 6045(f), even if the attorney is a corporation) and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited liability company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting www.irs.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, and 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 2.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ³
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
6. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
7. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
8. Corporate or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832	The corporation
9. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
10. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
11. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
12. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the second name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN.
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

Call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 if you think your identity has been used inappropriately for tax purposes.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS personal property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.consumer.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT(438-4338).

Visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, and certain other income paid to you, mortgage interest you paid, the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA, or Archer MSA or HSA. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of your tax return. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions to carry out their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Payers must generally withhold 28% of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.