# Request for Proposal (RFP) for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

#### **ADDENDA**

Prospective bidders are responsible for reviewing any published addenda regarding this bid at ebmud.com/business center

#### **CONTACT**

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#### **RESPONSE DUE**

October 10, 2025 12:00 p.m. PST

#### **SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY TO\***

René Anglo, EBMUD rene.anglo@ebmud.com

#### Please include the following in the email:

RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 NUMBER Accounting 2025-01
Due October 10, 2025 12:00 p.m. PST
Professional Auditing Services
For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028
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#### EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

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#### 1. STATEMENT OF WORK

#### SCOPE

The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) intends to enter into an agreement with a qualified accounting firm (Certified Public Accountant) to provide auditing services to conduct annual audits of EBMUD for the three fiscal years from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028. The contract may be extended for two additional two-year periods from July 1, 2028 to June 30, 2030, and from July 1, 2030 to June 30, 2032.

East Bay Municipal Utility District (District) intends to award the contract to the Proposer(s) who best meets the requirements.

The services included under the resulting agreement will include annual financial and compliance audits including all Federal, State, and local grants and loans. The examination and reports thereon must be carried out in examination with generally accepted auditing standards, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Audit and Accounting Guide for audits of state and local governmental units, Government Auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (Yellow Book), and the Single Audit Act.

The objectives of the auditing services are to:

- Provide an auditor's opinion as to whether the financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- Provide the required statements and reports regarding grants and loans in accordance with the Single Audit Act and title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200.
- Comment on the system of internal control, and comment generally regarding improvements which can be made in EBMUD's financial information system from observations made during the course of the auditor's independent financial review.
- Comment on the nature and impact of any noted instances of non-compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations.
- Ensure all audited financial reports are presented in a form which is readable, understandable, useful as an internal management tool, and accurately communicates EBMUD's financial position to readers with non-financial backgrounds.

Standards of Professional Qualifications

All audit personnel assigned to work on this contract must meet the prerequisite educational background required by the State of California to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination and be full-time permanent employees of the accounting firm.

Facilities and Equipment

Except as provided below, the accounting firm shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all facilities and equipment which may be required for furnishing the audit services. EBMUD shall provide physical facilities such as desks, a conference space, access to the Internet and financial system (Elsie), as may be reasonably necessary for auditor's use while auditing EBMUD employees and reviewing records and information in possession of EBMUD. The location, quantity, quality, and time of the furnishings of said physical facilities would be at the sole discretion of EBMUD. In no event shall EBMUD be obligated to furnish any facility which may involve incurring any direct expense, including but not limiting the generality of this exclusion to long-distance telephone or other communication charges, vehicles, and reproduction facilities.

#### A. **PROPOSER QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Proposer Minimum Qualifications

#### Key Personnel:

RFP response shall include a complete list of all key personnel associated with the RFP. This list must include all key personnel who will provide services. For each person on the list, the following information shall be included:

- The person's relationship with the Proposer, including job title and years of employment with the Proposer;
- The role that the person will play in connection with the RFP;
- The person's telephone number and e-mail address;
- The person's educational background; and
- The person's relevant qualification, experience, certifications, and/or merits.
- 2. A statement indicating the number of employees (by level) and location that will work on the audit. Said statement must indicate the number of people that will be assigned to each of the set of reports.
- 3. An indication of the level of expertise of the personnel in providing comparable services to government and utility clients as demonstrated by listing the names of the government/utility organizations, type(s) of service performed and year(s) of engagement for services of this nature.
- 4. A description of your audit organization's participation in AICPA-sponsored or comparable quality control programs.
- 5. A statement indicating whether the bidder has received a positive peer review within the past three years.
- 6. Description of the Proposed Services: RFP response shall include a description of the terms and conditions of services to be provided during the contract term including response times. The Proposer may include the description: (1) specify how the services in the RFP response will meet or exceed the requirements of the District; (2) explain any special resources or approaches that make the services of the Proposer

- particularly advantageous to the District; and (3) identify any limitations or restrictions of the Proposer in providing the services that the District should be aware of in evaluating its response to this RFP.
- 7. The accounting firm should include information regarding its ability to provide information on auditing governmental utility agencies. The accounting firm may also include additional information as they deem necessary that would be relevant to EBMUD's proposal evaluation process.
- 8. Proposer shall possess all permits, licenses, and professional credentials necessary to perform services as specified under this RFP.
- 9. A recap of the experience in government/utility audits, for each senior and higher-level person who would be assigned to the EBMUD audit, including:
  - Name of individual
  - Their position on each audit
- 10. A description of the relevant governmental/utility and educational work experience of each individual assigned to the audit. This must include:
  - Governmental/utility seminars attended in the past three years.
  - Courses attended or taught within the past three years.
  - Whether the individual received continuing professional education in governmental/utility accounting and auditing in the past two years, as required by the California Department of Consumer Affairs.
  - Any professional credentials related to audit work, such as a CPA.
- 11. A separate listing of current and prior audit clients similar in size, nature and scope to EBMUD, indicating the following:
  - The type(s) of service performed, and the number of years served for each.
  - The names, addresses and phone numbers of personnel who may be contacted by the selection committee as references.

#### B. **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Reports Defined**

- Combined financial report and management report for the primary government composed of EBMUD's Water System, Wastewater System, Employees' Retirement System Trust Fund, and four Joint Powers Authority Custodial Funds.
- Combined financial report for the Employees' Pension and Health Benefit System.

- EBMUD's financial report for the Single Audit of grants and loans as required under the Single Audit Act.
- Financial report and management report for the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA). A joint powers agency where EBMUD handles the processing of financial transactions.
- Financial report and management report for the Freeport Regional Water Authority (FRWA). A joint powers agency where EBMUD handles the processing of financial transactions.
- Financial report and management report for the Dublin San Ramon Services District East Bay MUD Recycled Water Authority (DERWA). A joint powers agency where EBMUD handles the processing of financial transactions.
- Financial report and management report for the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority (UMRWA). A joint powers agency where EBMUD handles the processing of financial transactions. This entity has a September 30<sup>th</sup> fiscal year end.
- Joint Power Authorities' financial report for the Single Audit of grants and loans as required under the Single Audit Act.
- Letter of Responses to Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) opinion and comments.

#### C. **DELIVERABLES / REPORTS**

#### **Deliverables**

- The <u>EBMUD</u> financial statements and footnotes to the financial statements (financials) will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. A draft of the financials will be available for EBMUD review by the last Friday of August following the end of the fiscal year. A final signed-off report will be delivered to the Accounting Division by the first Thursday of September following the end of the fiscal year. Fifteen bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.
- The <u>Report to Management</u> will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. A draft of the financials will be available for EBMUD review by the last Friday of August following the end of the fiscal year. A final signed-off report will be delivered to the Accounting Division by the first Thursday of September following the end of the fiscal year. Fifteen bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.

- The <u>EBMUD Retirement System</u> financial statements and footnotes to the financial statements (financials) will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. A draft of the financials will be available for EBMUD review by the last Friday of August following the end of the fiscal year. A final signed-off report will be delivered to the Accounting Division by the first Thursday of September following the end of the fiscal year. Fifteen bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.
- The <u>BACWA</u> financial report and management report will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. Ten bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.
- The <u>FRWA</u> financial report and management report will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. Ten bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.
- The <u>UMRWA</u> financial report and management report will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. Ten bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by the last business day of December following the end of the fiscal year.
- The <u>DERWA</u> financial report and management report will be prepared, typed, and presented by the accounting firm. Ten bound copies and one PDF copy are to be delivered to the Accounting Division by mid-September following the end of the fiscal year.
- EBMUD's and Joint Powers Authorities' <u>Single Audit</u> report will be prepared, typed, and
  presented by the accounting firm. Ten bound copies and one PDF copy are to be
  delivered to the Accounting Division 30 business days prior to the statutory reporting
  deadline.
- Audit work will be required on all debt issues, to review accounting treatment and determine compliance with the bond covenants. Special compliance and financial reports may be required for future bond issues.

Copies of the past five years EBMUD audited ACFRs (starting from FY2020) can be viewed and downloaded from EBMUD's web site at <u>Financial reports</u> :: <u>East Bay Municipal Utility</u> District.

#### **Management Report**

For each of the three fiscal years ending June 30, 2026 through 2028 and for the two, 2-year extension periods for fiscal years of 2029 and 2030, if the agreement is extended, the

accounting firm shall submit a management report of its comments and recommendations concerning EBMUD's financial systems based upon observations made during the course of the auditor's examination of EBMUD's financial statements, records, internal controls, systems, and internal procedures.

#### **Debt Issues**

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#### II. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Audit work will be required on all debt issues starting FY 2026 and future years, to review accounting treatment and determine compliance with bond covenants. Special compliance and financial reports may be required for future bond issues. EBMUD may restructure or refund debt to fund capital projects.

Listed below are the major events planned to occur during the selection process in order to determine an auditor selection. (Note that the schedule is subject to change.)

EVENT	SCHEDULED DATE
RFP Issue Date	August 18, 2025
RFP Pre-Bid Meeting* (RSVP by 9/8/2025)	September 15, 2025
Auditor RFP Response Deadline	October 10, 2025
Invitational Letter Mailing	October 24, 2025
Panel Interview	November 12, 2025
Auditor Selection Notification	November 19, 2025
EBMUD Board approval	January 13, 2026

#### \* A virtual Pre-bid Meeting

**Note**: All dates are subject to change **by the District**.

Proposers are responsible for reviewing <a href="https://www.ebmud.com/business-center/requests-proposal-rfps/">https://www.ebmud.com/business-center/requests-proposal-rfps/</a> for any published addenda. Hard copies of addenda will not be mailed out.

All questions deemed to be pertinent by the District will be addressed in Addenda following the Pre-bid meeting.

#### III. DISTRICT PROCEDURES, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

#### A. RFP ACCEPTANCE AND AWARD

 RFP responses will be evaluated by the Selection Committee and will be scored and ranked in accordance with the RFP section entitled "Evaluation Criteria/Selection Committee." The oral interview will be conducted by the Director of Finance, Controller, and Accounting Manager.

- The Selection Committee will recommend award to the Proposer who, in its opinion, has submitted the RFP response that best serves the overall interests of the District. Award may not necessarily be made to the Proposer with the lowest overall cost. The final decision for award rest with the District's Board of Directors.
- 3. The District reserves the right to award to a single or to multiple General or Professional Service Providers, depending upon what is in the best interest of the District.
- 4. The District has the right to decline to award this contract or any part of it for any reason.
- 5. Any specifications, terms, or conditions issued by the District, or those included in the Proposer's submission, in relation to this RFP, may be incorporated into any purchase order or contract that may be awarded as a result of this RFP.
- 6. Award of contract. The District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to accept one part of a proposal and reject the other, unless the proposer stipulates to the contrary, and to waive minor technical defects and administrative errors, as the interest of the District may require. Award will be made, or proposals rejected by the District as soon as possible after proposals have been opened.

#### B. <u>EVALUATION CRITERIA/SELECTION COMMITTEE</u>

All proposals will be evaluated by the Selection Committee. The Selection Committee may be composed of District staff and other parties that have expertise or experience in this type of procurement. The Selection Committee will select a Proposer in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in this RFP. The evaluation of the RFP responses shall be within the sole judgment and discretion of the Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee will evaluate each RFP response meeting the qualification requirements set forth in this RFP. Proposer should bear in mind that any RFP response that is unrealistic in terms of the technical or schedule commitments, or unrealistically high or low in cost, will be deemed reflective of an inherent lack of technical competence or indicative of a failure to comprehend the complexity and risk of the District's requirements as set forth in this RFP.

RFP responses will be evaluated and scored according to the Evaluation Criteria below and scored according to a zero to five-point scale. The scores for all Evaluation Criteria will then be added to arrive at a weighted score for each RFP response. An RFP response with a high weighted total will be ranked higher than one with a lesser-weighted total.

The Evaluation Criteria are as follows:

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

#### A. Technical Criteria:

- 1. The number and qualifications of staff to be used in the audit.
- 2. The level of expertise and experience of personnel in performing government and utility audits for California agencies.
- 3. The education and training of personnel as it relates to governmental/utility accounting and auditing.
- 4. The willingness of the bidder to accept the contract terms described in this RFP.
- 5. Experience with similar organizations/agencies.
- 6. Willingness to perform in an informal advisory capacity to EBMUD.
- 7. Compliance with EBMUD's insurance requirements.
- 8. Participation in and results from the AICPA Peer Review Program or comparable quality control programs.

#### B. Cost:

- 1. Reasonableness (i.e., does the proposed pricing accurately reflect the Proposer's effort to meet requirements and objectives?).
- 2. Realism (i.e., is the proposed cost appropriate to the nature of the products and services to be provided?); and
- 3. Affordability (i.e., the ability of the District to finance this project).

Consideration of price in terms of overall affordability may be controlling in circumstances where two or more RFP responses are otherwise judged to be equal, or when a superior RFP response is at a price that the District cannot afford.

#### C. Implementation Plan and Schedule:

- 1. A well-defined audit plan, that adheres to the provisions on the MUD Act, as set forth in the bid.
- 2. The extent to which the audit plan has addressed making the final audit documents readable, understandable, useful as an internal management tool, and accurately communicating the EBMUD's financial position to readers with non-financial backgrounds.
- 3. The proposed schedule for completion of the required audit functions within the specified statutory deadlines.

Additional credit will be given for the identification and planning for mitigation of schedule risks which the Proposer believes may adversely affect any portion of the District's schedule.

#### D. | Relevant Experience:

1. Do the individuals assigned to the project have experience of similar assignments?

- 2. Are résumés complete and do they demonstrate backgrounds that would be desirable for individuals engaged in the work the project requires?
- 3. How extensive is the applicable education and experience of the personnel designated to work on the project?

#### E. References (See Exhibit A – RFP Response Packet):

If a short list process is used for a solicitation, references are only performed on the shortlisted Proposers and the score for reference checks is not included in the preliminary short list score.

#### F. Oral Presentation and Interview:

The oral interview may consist of standard questions asked by each of the Proposers and specific questions regarding the specific RFP response.

#### **G.** Understanding of the Project:

- 1. Has the Proposer demonstrated a thorough understanding of the purpose and scope of the project?
- 2. How well has the Proposer identified pertinent issues and potential problems related to the project?
- 3. Has the Proposer demonstrated that it understands the deliverables the District expects it to provide?
- 4. Has the Proposer demonstrated that it understands the District's time schedule and can meet it?

#### H. | Methodology:

- 1. Does the methodology depict a logical approach to fulfilling the requirements of the RFP?
- 2. Does the methodology match and contribute to achieving the objectives set out in the RFP?
- 3. Does the methodology interface with the District's time schedule?

#### I. | Contract Equity Program:

Proposers shall be eligible for SBE or DVBE preference points if they are a certified small business entity, as described in the guidelines contained in Exhibit A-Contract Equity Program, and they check the appropriate box, requesting preference, in Exhibit A-Proposer Information and Acceptance. Qualified DVBEs and/or SBEs will receive an additional 5 points to their total score.

#### C. PRICING

- 1. Prices quoted shall be firm for the first 36 months of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this RFP.
- 2. All prices quoted shall be in United States dollars.
- 3. Price quotes shall include any and all payment incentives available to the District.

4. Proposers are advised that in the evaluation of cost, if applicable, it will be assumed that the unit price quoted is correct in the case of a discrepancy between the unit price and extended price.

#### D. NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD AND PROTESTS

At the conclusion of the RFP response evaluation process, all entities who submitted a proposal package will be notified in writing by e-mail or USPS mail with the name of the Proposer being recommended for contract award. The document providing this notification is the Notice of Intent to Award.

Negotiations for a Consulting Services Agreement with a "not to exceed" contract price (for time and expenses) will be scheduled shortly after the Notice of Intent to Award. If an Agreement cannot be achieved, the District will proceed to negotiate with the next highest ranked Proposer.

Protests must be in writing and must be received no later than seven (7) workdays after the District issues the Notice of Intent to Award. The District will reject the protest as untimely if it is received after this specified time frame. Protests will be accepted from proposers or potential proposers only.

If the protest is mailed and not received by the District, the protesting party bears the burden of proof to submit evidence (e.g., certified mail receipt) that the protest was sent in a timely manner so that it would be received by the District within the RFP protest period.

Proposal protests must contain a detailed and complete written statement describing the reason(s) for protest. The protest must include the name and/or number of the proposal, the name of the firm protesting, and include a name, telephone number, email address and physical address of the protester. If a firm is representing the protester, they shall include their contact information in addition to that of the protesting firm.

Protests must be mailed, hand delivered, or emailed to the Manager of Purchasing, Mailstop 102, East Bay Municipal Utility District, 1010 Franklin St., Oakland, CA 94607 or P.O. Box 24055, Oakland, California 94623. Facsimile and electronic mail protests must be followed by a mailed or hand delivered identical copy of the protest and must arrive within the seven workday time limits. Any proposal protest filed with any other District office shall be forwarded immediately to the Manager of Purchasing.

In the event that the protest is denied, the protester can appeal the determination to the requesting organization's Department Director. The appeal must be submitted to the Department Director no later than five workdays from the date which the protest determination was transmitted by the District, to the

protesting party. The appeal shall focus on the points raised in the original protest, and no new points shall be raised in the appeal.

Such an appeal must be made in writing and must include all grounds for the appeal and copies of the original protest and the District's response. The proposal protester must also send the Purchasing Division a copy of all materials sent to the Department Director.

The Department Director will make a determination of the appeal and respond to the protester by certified mail in a timely manner. If the appeal is denied, the letter will include the date, time, and location of the Board of Directors meeting at which staff will make a recommendation for award and inform the protester it may request to address the Board of Directors at that meeting.

The District may transmit copies of the protest and any attached documentation to all other parties who may be affected by the outcome of the protest. The decision of the District as to the validity of any protest is final. This District's final decision will be transmitted to all affected parties in a timely manner.

#### E. <u>INVOICING</u>

- Following the Districts acceptance the complete and satisfactory performance of services, the District will render payment within 30 days of receipt of a correct invoice.
- 2. EBMUD will notify the Accounting Firm of any invoice adjustments required.
- 3. Invoices shall contain, at a minimum, District purchase order number, invoice number, remit to address, contact person (phone number and email), and itemized services description and date(s) the services were performed.
- 4. The District will pay General or Professional Service Provider in an amount not to exceed the negotiated amount(s) which will be referenced in the agreement signed by both parties.

#### F. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

1. In the event performance and/or deliverables have been deemed unsatisfactory, the District reserves the right to withhold future payments until the performance and/or deliverables are deemed satisfactory.

#### G. STATEMENT OF INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALITY

1. EBMUD shall make available to the consultant such materials from its files as may be required to perform the services under this agreement. These materials and information remain the property of EBMUD while in the consultant's possession and must be treated as confidential information. This material may not be released or disclosed without the written permission of EBMUD.

#### H. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

 Accounting firm expressly agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless EBMUD and its Directors, officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all loss, liability, expense, claims, suits, and damages, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or pertaining or relating to the ACCOUNTING FIRMS, its associates', employees', sub-accounting firms', or other agents' negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct, in the operation and/or performance under this Agreement.

#### I. MARKETING REFERENCE

1. The successful consultant must not make any reference to East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) in any literature, promotional material, brochures or sales presentations without the express prior written consent of EBMUD. ACCOUNTING FIRM further agrees to maintain confidence and not to disclose to any person or entity any data, information, technology, or material developed or obtained by the ACCOUNTING FIRM during the term of this engagement without EBMUD's prior written consent.

#### IV. RFP RESPONSE SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

#### A. <u>DISTRICT CONTACTS</u>

All contact during the competitive process is to be through the contact listed on the first page of this RFP. The following people are to be contacted only for the purposes specified below:

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

Attn: Winsun Hsieh

EBMUD Accounting Department MS 402 E-Mail: winsun.hsieh@ebmud.com

PHONE: (510) 287-0258

FOR INFORMATION ON THE CONTRACT EQUITY PROGRAM:

Attn: Contract Equity Office PHONE: (510) 287-0114

AFTER AWARD:

Attn: David Glasser

EBMUD Accounting Department MS 402 E-Mail: david.glasser@ebmud.com

PHONE (510) 287-0479

#### B. <u>SUBMITTAL OF RFP RESPONSE</u>

1. At this time, no hard-copy proposals will be accepted. Upload your RFP response in pdf format and prior to the bid due date/time RFP submittals, in their entirety, shall be emailed to rene.anglo@ebmud.com. The District's email has limitations on attachment size. Make sure your response is less than 25 megabytes. If the file exceeds the limit, you will need to send multiple emails. Proposers are solely responsible for ensuring timely delivery of the proposals. The District shall not be responsible for any issues related to the transfer of files through email. You may call (510) 287-0298 to check receipt of the proposal.

All costs required for the preparation and submission of an RFP response shall be borne by the Proposer.

- 2. California Government Code Section 4552: In submitting an RFP response to a public purchasing body, the Proposer offers and agrees that if the RFP response is accepted, it will assign to the purchasing body all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2, commencing with Section 16700, of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, materials, or services by the Proposer for sale to the purchasing body pursuant to the RFP response. Such an assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing body tenders final payment to the Proposer.
- 3. Proposer expressly acknowledges that it is aware that if a false claim is knowingly submitted (as the terms "claim" and "knowingly" are defined in the California False Claims Act, Cal. Gov. Code, §12650 et seq.), the District will be entitled to civil remedies set forth in the California False Claim Act.
- 4. The RFP response shall remain open to acceptance and is irrevocable for a period of 180 days, unless otherwise specified in the RFP documents.
- 5. It is understood that the District reserves the right to reject any or all RFP responses.

#### C. RESPONSE FORMAT

- 1. Proposers shall not modify the existing text for any part of Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, or F or qualify their RFP responses. Proposers shall not submit to the District a re-typed or otherwise re-created version of these documents or any other District-provided document.
- 2. RFP responses, in whole or in part, are NOT to be marked confidential or proprietary. The District may refuse to consider any RFP response or part thereof so marked. RFP responses submitted in response to this RFP may be subject to public disclosure. The District shall not be liable in any way for the disclosure of any such records.



# EXHIBIT A RFP RESPONSE PACKET RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027 and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

To:	The EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT ("District")
From:	
	(Official Name of Proposer)

#### RFP RESPONSE PACKET GUIDELINES

- SUBMITTAL SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:
   EXHIBIT A RFP RESPONSE PACKET INCLUDING ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AS DESCRIBED IN "EXHIBIT A REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AND SUBMITTALS"
- PROPOSERS THAT DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS, AND/OR SUBMIT AN INCOMPLETE RFP RESPONSE MAY BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION AND THEIR RFP RESPONSE REJECTED IN WHOLE.
- IF PROPOSERS ARE MAKING <u>ANY</u> CLARIFICATIONS AND/OR AMENDMENTS, OR TAKING EXCEPTION TO ANY PART OF THIS RFP, THESE <u>MUST</u> BE SUBMITTED IN THE EXCEPTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, AND AMENDMENTS SECTION OF THIS EXHIBIT A RFP RESPONSE PACKET. THE DISTRICT, AT ITS SOLE DISCRETION, MAY ACCEPT AMENDMENTS/EXCEPTIONS, OR MAY DEEM THEM TO BE UNACCEPTABLE, THEREBY RENDERING THE RFP RESPONSE DISQUALIFIED.
- PROPOSERS SHALL NOT MODIFY THE DISTRICT LANGUAGE IN ANY PART OF THIS RFP OR ITS EXHIBITS, NOR SHALL THEY QUALIFY THEIR RFP RESPONSE BY INSERTING THEIR OWN LANGUAGE OR FALSE CLAIMS IN THEIR RESPONSE. ANY EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS MUST BE PLACED IN THE "EXCEPTIONS/ CLARIFICATIONS" PAGE, NOT BURIED IN THE PROPOSAL ITSELF.



#### PROPOSER INFORMATION AND ACCEPTANCE

- 1. The undersigned declares that all RFP documents, including, without limitation, the RFP, Addenda, and Exhibits, have been read and that the terms, conditions, certifications, and requirements are agreed to.
- 2. The undersigned is authorized to offer, and agrees to furnish, the articles and services specified in accordance with the RFP documents.
- 3. The undersigned acknowledges acceptance of all addenda related to this RFP. List Addenda for this RFP on the line below:

Addendum #	Date

- 4. The undersigned hereby certifies to the District that all representations, certifications, and statements made by the Proposer, as set forth in this RFP Response Packet and attachments, are true and correct and are made under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of California.
- 5. The undersigned acknowledges that the Proposer is, and will be, in good standing in the State of California, with all the necessary licenses, permits, certifications, approvals, and authorizations necessary to perform all obligations in connection with this RFP and associated RFP documents.
- 6. It is the responsibility of each Proposer to be familiar with all of the specifications, terms, and conditions and, if applicable, the site condition. By the submission of an RFP response, the Proposer certifies that if awarded a contract it will make no claim against the District based upon ignorance of conditions or misunderstanding of the specifications.
- 7. Patent indemnity: General or Professional Service Providers who do business with the District shall hold the District, its Directors, officers, agents, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses, for infringement or use of any patent, copyright or other proprietary right, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article, or appliance furnished or used in connection with the contract or purchase order.
- 8. Insurance certificates are not required at the time of submission. However, by signing Exhibit A RFP Response Packet, the Proposer agrees to meet the minimum insurance requirements stated in the RFP. This documentation must be provided to the District prior to the execution of an agreement by the

District and shall include an insurance certificate which meets the minimum insurance requirements, as stated in the RFP. The undersigned acknowledges that RFP responses, in whole or in part, are NOT to be marked 9. confidential or proprietary. The District may refuse to consider any RFP response or part thereof so marked. RFP responses submitted in response to this RFP may be subject to public disclosure. The District shall not be liable in any way for the disclosure of any such records. 10. The undersigned Proposer hereby submits this RFP response and binds itself to the District. The RFP, subsequent Addenda, Proposers Response Packet, and any attachments, shall be used to form the basis of a Contract, which once executed shall take precedence. 11. The undersigned acknowledges **ONE** of the following (please check only one box) \*: Proposer is not an SBE nor a DVBE and is ineligible for any Proposal preference, OR Proposer is an SBE or DVBE as described in the Contract Equity Program (CEP) and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Guidelines, and has completed the CEP and EEO forms at the hyperlink contained in the CEP and EEO section of this Exhibit A. \*If no box is checked it will be assumed that the Proposer is ineligible for Proposal preference, and none will be given. For additional information on SBE/DVBE Proposal preference please refer to the Contract Equity Program and Equal Employment Opportunity Guidelines at the above referenced hyperlink. Official Name of Proposer (exactly as it appears on Proposer's corporate seal and invoice): Street Address Line 1: Street Address Line 2: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_ Webpage: Type of Entity / Organizational Structure (check one):

Other:

Jurisdiction of Organization Structure:

Date of Organization Structure:

Joint Venture

| Non-Profit / Church

Partnership

Corporation

Limited Liability Partnership

Limited Liability Corporation

Federal Tax Identification Number	er:	
Department of Industrial Relatio	ns (DIR) Registration Number:	_
Primary Contact Information:		
Name / Title:		
	Fax Number:	
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Street Address Line 1:		
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If so, please list :		
CONTRACTOR OR CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE FIRST AND LAST NAME	DISTRICT EMPLOYEE FIRST AND LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP
SIGNATURE:		
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#### PROPOSAL FORM

Cost shall be submitted on this Proposal Form as is. The prices quoted shall <u>not</u> include Sales Tax or Use Tax; said tax, wherever applicable, will be paid by the District to the General or Professional Service Provider, if licensed to collect, or otherwise directly to the State.

No alterations or changes of any kind to the Proposal Form(s) are permitted. RFP responses that do not comply may be subject to rejection in total. The cost quoted below shall be the cost the District will pay for the term of any contract that is a result of this RFP process.

Quantities listed herein are annual estimates based on past usage and are not to be construed as a commitment. No minimum or maximum is guaranteed or implied.

Description	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	Unit Cost	Extended Cost
			\$	\$
			\$	\$
			TOTAL COST	\$



#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AND SUBMITTALS**

All of the specific documentation listed below is required to be submitted with the Exhibit A – RFP Response Packet. Proposers shall submit all documentation, in the order listed below, and clearly label each section of the RFP response with the appropriate title (i.e., Table of Contents, Letter of Transmittal, Key Personnel, etc.).

- 1. <u>Letter of Transmittal</u>: RFP response shall include a description of the Proposer's capabilities and approach in providing its services to the District and provide a brief synopsis of the highlights of the RFP response and overall benefits to the District. This synopsis should not exceed three (3) pages in length and should be easily understood.
- 2. **Key Personnel**: The RFP response shall include a complete list of all key personnel associated with the RFP. This list must include all key personnel who will provide services/training to District staff and all key personnel who will provide maintenance and support services. Only those individuals actually providing services to the District should be included in the proposal For each person on the list, the following information shall be included:
  - (a) The person's relationship with the Proposer, including job title and years of employment with the Proposer.
  - (b) The role that the person will play in connection with the RFP.
  - (c) The person's telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address.
  - (d) The person's educational background; and
  - (e) The person's relevant experience, certifications, and/or merits
- 3. Description of the Proposed Services: RFP response shall include a description of the terms and conditions of services to be provided during the contract term, including response times. The description shall contain a basis of estimate for services including its scheduled start and completion dates, the number of Proposer's and District personnel involved, and the number of hours scheduled for each person. The description shall identify spare or replacement parts that will be required in performing maintenance services, the anticipated location(s) of the spare parts, and how quickly the parts shall be available for repairs. Finally, the description must: (1) specify how the services in the RFP response will meet or exceed the requirements of the District; (2) explain any special resources or approaches that make the services of the Proposer particularly advantageous to the District; and (3) identify any limitations or restrictions of the Proposer in providing the services that the District should be aware of in evaluating its RFP response to this RFP.
- 4. <u>Implementation Plan and Schedule</u>: The RFP response shall include an implementation plan and schedule. In addition, the plan shall include a detailed schedule indicating how the

Proposer will ensure adherence to the timetables for the statutory filing deadlines for the District's audits.

5. <u>Sustainability Statement:</u> Contractors shall submit a statement regarding any sustainable, environmental or socially responsible initiatives or practices that they or their suppliers engage in. This information can be in relation to the specific services or work products solicited via this RFP, or in relation to the manufacture, delivery, or business practices of your firm.

#### 6. **References:**

Proposers must use the templates in the "References" section of this Exhibit A – RFP Response Packet to provide references.

- (a) References should have similar scope, volume, and requirements to those outlined in these specifications, terms, and conditions.
  - Proposers must verify the contact information for all references provided is current and valid.
  - Proposers are strongly encouraged to notify all references that the District may be contacting them to obtain a reference.
- (b) The District may contact some or all of the references provided in order to determine the proposer's performance record on work similar to that described in this RFP. The District reserves the right to contact references other than those provided in the RFP response and to use the information gained from them in the evaluation process.

#### 7. Exceptions, Clarifications, Amendments:

- (a) The RFP response shall include a separate section calling out all clarifications, exceptions, and amendments, if any, to the RFP and associated RFP documents, which shall be submitted with the proposer's RFP response using the template in the "Exceptions, Clarifications, Amendments" section of this Exhibit A RFP Response Packet.
- (b) THE DISTRICT IS UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO ACCEPT ANY EXCEPTIONS, AND SUCH EXCEPTIONS MAY BE A BASIS FOR RFP RESPONSE DISQUALIFICATION.

#### 8. **Contract Equity Program:**

(a) Every proposer must fill out, sign, and submit the appropriate sections of the Contract Equity Program and Equal Employment Opportunity documents located at the hyperlink contained in the last page of this Exhibit A. Special attention should be given to completing Form P-25, "Employment Data and Certification". Any proposer needing assistance in completing these forms should contact the District's Contract Equity Office at (510) 287-0114 prior to submitting an RFP response.



### **REFERENCES**

# RFP For Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

Proposer Name: Proposer	must provide a n	- ninimum of four references.		
Company Name:		Contact Person:		
Address:		Telephone Number:		
City, State, Zip:		E-mail Address:		
	Services Provid	ded / Date(s) of Service:		
Company Name:		Contact Person:		
Address:		Telephone Number:		
City, State, Zip:		E-mail Address:		
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Company Name:		Contact Person:		
Address:		Telephone Number:		
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Company Name:		Contact Person:		
Address:		Telephone Number:		
City, State, Zip:		E-mail Address:		
Services Provided / Date(s) of Ser	vice:			
Company Name:		Contact Person:		
Address:		Telephone Number:		
City, State, Zip:		E-mail Address:		
Services Provided / Date(s) of Ser	vice:			



Proposer Name:

\*Print additional pages as necessary

## **EXCEPTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, AMENDMENTS**

# RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

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#### **CONTRACT EQUITY PROGRAM & EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The District's Board of Directors adopted the Contract Equity Program (CEP) to enhance equal opportunities for business owners of all races, ethnicities, and genders who are interested in doing business with the District. The program has contracting objectives, serving as the minimum level of expected contract participation for the three availability groups: white-men owned businesses, white-women owned businesses, and ethnic minority owned businesses. The contracting objectives apply to all contracts that are determined to have subcontracting opportunities, and to all General or Professional Service Providers regardless of their race, gender, or ethnicity.

All Contractors and their subcontractors performing work for the District must be Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employers and shall be bound by all laws prohibiting discrimination in employment. There shall be no discrimination against any person, or group of persons, on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender including gender identity or expression, age, marital or domestic partnership status, mental disability, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), medical condition (including genetic characteristics or cancer), genetic information, or sexual orientation.

Contractor and its subcontractors shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR §§ 60-1.4(a), 60-300.5(a) and 60-741.5(a). These regulations prohibit discrimination against qualified individuals based on their status as protected veterans or individuals with disabilities and prohibit discrimination against all individuals based on their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin in the performance of this contract. Moreover, these regulations require that covered prime contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, protected veteran status or disability.

All Contractors shall include the nondiscrimination provisions above in all subcontracts. Please include the completed forms required with your proposal. Non-compliance with the Guidelines may deem a proposal non-responsive, and therefore ineligible for contract award. Your firm is responsible for:

- 1) Reading and understanding the CEP guidelines.
- 2) Filling out and submitting with your proposal the appropriate forms.

The CEP guidelines and forms can be downloaded from the District website at the following link: <a href="https://www.ebmud.com/business-center/contract-equity-program">https://www.ebmud.com/business-center/contract-equity-program</a>

If you have questions regarding the Contract Equity Program, please call (510) 287-0114.



# **EXHIBIT B INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

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and PROPOSER shall not commence work until such insurance has been approved by DISTRICT. The proof of insurance shall be on forms provided by DISTRICT directly following these Insurance Requirements.

PROPOSERS are not required to submit completed insurance verification documents with their bid but will be required to submit them upon notification of award. By signing Exhibit A – RFP Response Packet, the BIDDER agrees to meet the minimum insurance requirements stated in the RFP.

#### The following provisions are applicable to all required insurance:

CONTRACTOR/COMPANY NAME:

- A. Prior to the beginning of and throughout the duration of Services, and for any additional period of time as specified below, CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, maintain insurance in conformance with the requirements set forth below.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall provide Verification of Insurance as required by this Agreement by providing the completed Verification of Insurance as requested below by signing and submitting Exhibit B ("Insurance Requirements") to the DISTRICT. The Insurance Requirements may be signed by the insurance broker or the insurance broker's agent (Insurance Broker/Agent) for the CONTRACTOR, or by an officer of the CONTRACTOR (Officer), or by the CONTRACTOR's risk manager (Risk Manager). The Notice to Proceed shall not be issued, and CONTRACTOR shall not commence Services until a signed Verification of Insurance evidencing the specific coverages and limits required by this Agreement has been received by the DISTRICT.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall carry and maintain the minimum insurance requirements as defined in this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall require any contractor/subcontractor to carry and maintain the minimum insurance required in this Agreement to the extent the insurance applies to the scope of the services to be performed by contractor/subcontractor.
- D. Receipt of a signed Verification of Insurance by the DISTRICT shall not relieve CONTRACTOR of any of the insurance requirements, nor decrease liability of CONTRACTOR.

- E. Insurance must be maintained, and an updated Verification of Insurance must be provided to the DISTRICT before the expiration of insurance by having the Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager update, sign and return the Insurance Requirements to the DISTRICT's contract manager. The updated Insurance Requirements shall become a part of the Agreement but shall not require a change order to the Agreement. It is the CONTRACTOR's sole responsibility to provide or to ensure that an updated Verification of Insurance is provided to the DISTRICT. The DISTRICT has no obligation to solicit, remind, prompt, request, seek, or otherwise obtain any updated Verification of Insurance, and any actual or alleged failure on the part of the DISTRICT to obtain any updated Verification of Insurance under this Agreement shall not in any way be construed to be a waiver of any right or remedy of the DISTRICT, in this or any regard.
- F. The insurance required hereunder may be obtained by a combination of primary, excess and/or umbrella insurance, and all coverage shall be at least as broad as the requirements listed in this Agreement.
- G. Any deductibles, self-insurance, or self-insured retentions (SIRs) applicable to the required insurance coverage must be declared to and accepted by the DISTRICT.
- H. At the option and request of the DISTRICT, CONTRACTOR shall provide documentation of its financial ability to pay the deductible, self-insurance, or SIR.
- I. CONTRACTOR is responsible for the payment of any deductibles or SIRs pertaining to the policies required under this Agreement. In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to pay the required SIR, CONTRACTOR agrees that such SIR may be satisfied, in whole or in part, by the DISTRICT as the additional insured at the DISTRICT's sole and absolute discretion, unless to do so would terminate or void the policy(ies).
- J. Unless otherwise accepted by the DISTRICT, all required insurance must be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-V.
- K. CONTRACTOR shall defend the DISTRICT and pay any damages as a result of failure to provide the waiver of subrogation from the insurance carrier required by this Agreement.
- L. For any coverage that is provided on a claims-made coverage form (which type of form is permitted only where specified), the retroactive date must be shown, must be before the date of this Agreement, and must be before the beginning of any Services related to this Agreement.
- M. For all claims-made policies the updated Verification of Insurance must be provided to the DISTRICT for at least three (3) years after expiration or termination of this Agreement.

- N. If claims-made coverage is canceled or is non-renewed and if the claims-made coverage is not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the effective date of this Agreement and prior to the start of any Services related to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended reporting period for a minimum of three (3) years after expiration or termination of the Agreement.
- O. In the event of a claim or suit, and upon request by the DISTRICT, CONTRACTOR agrees to provide a copy of the pertinent policy(ies) within 10 days of such request to the DISTRICT for review. Any actual or alleged failure on the part of the DISTRICT to request a copy of the pertinent policy(ies) shall not in any way be construed to be a waiver of any right or remedy of the DISTRICT, in this or any regard. Additionally, the DISTRICT may, at any time during CONTRACTOR's performance under this Agreement, request a copy of the Declarations pages and Schedule of Forms and Endorsements of any policy required to be maintained by CONTRACTOR hereunder, whether or not a suit or claim has been filed. Premium details may be redacted from any such document requested.
- P. The defense and indemnification obligations of this Agreement are undertaken in addition to, and shall not in any way be limited by, the insurance obligations contained herein.
- Q. Where additional insurance coverage is required, the additional insured coverage shall be primary and non-contributory, and will not seek contribution from the DISTRICT's insurance or self-insurance.
- R. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide immediate Notice to the DISTRICT of any loss or claim against CONTRACTOR arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way relating to this Agreement or to Services performed under this Agreement. The DISTRICT assumes no obligation or liability by such Notice but has the right (but not the duty) to monitor the handling of any such claim(s) if the claim(s) is likely to involve the DISTRICT.
- S. It is the obligation of the CONTRACTOR to ensure all contractors/subcontractors performing services under this Agreement maintain the necessary coverages and limits. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all contractors/subcontractors agree to the same indemnity obligation that CONTRACTOR agrees to in this Agreement based on the nature and scope of services being performed by each contractor/subcontractor. CONTRACTOR shall require that each contractor/subcontractor include the DISTRICT, its directors, officers, and employees as additional insureds on its liability policy(ies) (excepting Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation) for all ongoing and completed operations with coverage as broad as required of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. Failure or inability to secure fully adequate insurance shall in no way relieve the CONTRACTOR or all contractors/subcontractors of the responsibility for its own acts or the acts of any contractors/subcontractors or any employees or agents of either. All contractors/subcontractors are to waive subrogation against the DISTRICT on all policies. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for maintaining records evidencing contractors'/subcontractors' compliance with the necessary insurance coverages and

limits, and such records shall be made available to the DISTRICT within 10 days upon request.

- T. It is CONTRACTOR's responsibility to ensure its compliance with the insurance requirements. Any actual or alleged failure on the part of the DISTRICT to obtain proof of insurance required under this Agreement shall not in any way be construed to be a waiver of any right or remedy of the DISTRICT, in this or any regard.
- U. Notice of Cancellation/Non-Renewal/Material Reduction. The insurance requirements hereunder are mandatory, and the DISTRICT may, at its sole and absolute discretion, terminate the services provided by CONTRACTOR, should CONTRACTOR breach its obligations to maintain the required coverage and limits set forth in this Agreement. No coverage required hereunder shall be cancelled, non-renewed or materially reduced in coverage or limits without the DISTRICT being provided at least thirty (30) days prior written notice, other than cancellation for the non-payment of premiums, in which event the DISTRICT shall be provided ten (10) days prior written notice. Replacement of coverage with another policy or insurer, without any lapse in coverage or any reduction of the stated requirements does not require notice beyond submission to the DISTRICT of an updated Verification of Insurance which shall be met by having the Insurance Broker/ Agent, or Officer, or Risk Manager update, sign and return the Insurance Requirements.

#### I. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance Coverage

A. Workers' Compensation insurance including Employer's Liability insurance with minimum limits as follows:

Coverage A. Statutory Benefits Limits

Coverage B. Employer's Liability of not less than:

Bodily Injury by accident: \$1,000,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by disease: \$1,000,000 each employee
Bodily Injury by disease: \$1,000,000 policy limit

- B. If there is an onsite exposure of injury to CONTRACTOR, and/or contractor/subcontractor's employees under the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, the Jones Act, or under laws, regulations or statutes applicable to maritime employees, coverage is required for such injuries or claims.
- C. If CONTRACTOR is exempt from carrying Workers' Compensation Insurance, CONTRACTOR must return the completed Verification of Insurance confirming that CONTRACTOR has no employees and is exempt from the State of California Workers' Compensation requirements.

- D. If CONTRACTOR is self-insured with respect to Workers' Compensation coverage, CONTRACTOR shall provide to the DISTRICT a Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure from the California Department of Industrial Relations. Such self-insurance shall meet the minimum limit requirements and shall waive subrogation rights in favor of the DISTRICT as stated below in section "E."
- E. Waiver of Subrogation. Workers' Compensation policies, including any applicable excess and umbrella insurance, must contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement providing that CONTRACTOR and each insurer waive any and all rights of recovery by subrogation, or otherwise, against the DISTRICT, its directors, board, and committee members, officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. CONTRACTOR shall defend and pay any and all damages, fees, and costs, of any kind arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way relating to CONTRACTOR's failure to provide waiver of subrogation from the insurance carrier.

#### Verification of Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance Coverage

By checking the box and signing below, I hereby verify that the CONTRACTOR is exempt from the State of California's requirement to carry Workers' Compensation insurance.

As the CONTRACTOR's Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Workers' Compensation insurance as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance.

Self-Insured Retention: Amount: \$
Policy Limit: \$
Policy Number:
Policy Period: fromto
Insurance Carrier Name:
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager - Print Name:
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature:

#### II. Commercial General Liability Insurance ("CGL") Coverage

- A. CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be primary, and any insurance or self-insurance procured or maintained by the DISTRICT shall not be required to contribute to it.
- B. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.
- C. Minimum Requirements. CGL insurance with minimum per occurrence and aggregate limits as follows:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage \$2,000,000 per occurrence & aggregate Personal Injury/Advertising Injury \$2,000,000 per occurrence & aggregate Products/Completed Operations \$2,000,000 per occurrence & aggregate

- D. Coverage must be on an occurrence basis and be as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01.
- E. Coverage for Products, and Completed Operations, and Ongoing Operations must be included in the insurance policies and shall not contain any "prior work" coverage limitation or exclusion applicable to any Services performed by CONTRACTOR and/or contractor/subcontractor under this Agreement.
- F. There will be no exclusion for explosions, collapse, or underground liability (XCU).
- G. Insurance policies and Additional Insured Endorsement(s) shall not exclude liability and damages to work arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way relating to services performed by contractor/subcontractor on CONTRACTOR's behalf.
- H. Contractual liability coverage shall be included and shall not limit, by any modification or endorsement, coverage for liabilities assumed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement as an "insured contract."
- I. Waiver of Subrogation. The policy shall be endorsed to include a Waiver of Subrogation ensuring that the CONTRACTOR and its insurer(s) waive any rights of recovery by subrogation, or otherwise, against the DISTRICT, its directors, board, and committee members, officers, officials, agents, volunteers, and employees. CONTRACTOR shall defend and pay any and all damages, fees, and costs, of any kind, arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way resulting from CONTRACTOR's failure to provide the waiver of subrogation from its insurance carrier(s).

- J. Independent Contractor's Liability shall not limit coverage for liability and/or damages arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way resulting from Services provided under this Agreement.
- K. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the DISTRICT, its directors, board, and committee members, officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers must be covered as Additional Insureds on a primary and noncontributory basis on all underlying, excess and umbrella policies that shall be evidenced in each case by an endorsement. Coverage for the Additional Insureds must be as broad as ISO forms CG 20 10 (ongoing operations) and CG 20 37 (completed operations) for liability arising in whole, or in part, from work performed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, or in any way related to Services performed under this Agreement.
- L. A severability of interest provision must apply for all the Additional Insureds, ensuring that CONTRACTOR's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the policies' limit(s).

#### Verification of Commercial General Liability (CGL) Insurance Coverage

As the CONTRACTOR'S Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Commercial General Liability insurance, as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance:

Self-Insured Retention: Amount: \$	
Policy Limit:	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period: from	
Insurance Carrier Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager - Print Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature: _	

#### **III. Business Auto Liability Insurance Coverage**

A. CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be primary, and any insurance or self-insurance procured or maintained by the DISTRICT shall not be required to contribute to it.

- B. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.
- C. Minimum Requirements. Auto insurance with minimum coverage and limits as follows:

  Each Occurrence Limit (per accident) and in the Aggregate: \$2,000,000

  Bodily Injury and Property Damage: \$2,000,000
- D. Coverage must include either "owned, non-owned, and hired" autos or "any" automobile. This provision ensures the policy covers losses arising out of use of company-owned vehicles ("owned autos"), employee's personal autos ("non-owned autos" meaning not owned by company/insured) or autos that are rented or leased ("hired autos").
- E. If CONTRACTOR is transporting hazardous materials or contaminants, evidence of the Motor Carrier Act Endorsement-hazardous materials clean-up (MCS-90, or its equivalent) must be provided.
- F. If CONTRACTOR's Scope of Services under this Agreement exposes a potential pollution liability risk related to transport of potential pollutants, seepage, release, escape or discharge of any nature (threatened or actual) of pollutants into the environment arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way related to CONTRACTOR's and/or contractor's/subcontractor's performance under this Agreement, then Auto Liability Insurance policies must be endorsed to include Transportation Pollution Liability insurance. Alternatively, coverage may be provided under the CONTRACTOR's Pollution Liability Policies if such policy has no exclusions that would restrict coverage under this Agreement. Coverage shall also include leakage of fuel or other "pollutants" needed for the normal functioning of covered autos.
- G. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the DISTRICT, its directors, board, and committee members, officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers must be covered as Additional Insureds on a primary and noncontributory basis on all underlying and excess and umbrella policies.
- H. A severability of interest provision must apply for all the Additional Insureds, ensuring that CONTRACTOR's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the insurer's limits of liability.

As the CONTRACTOR'S Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Business Automobile Liability insurance, as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance:

Self-Insured Retention: Amount: \$	
Policy Limit: \$	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period: fromto	
Insurance Carrier Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager – Print Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature:	

#### IV. Professional Liability (also known as Errors and Omissions) Insurance Coverage

- A. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.
- B. Minimum Requirements: Professional Liability Insurance with minimum limits as follows:

Each Claim: \$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit: \$2,000,000

If Coverage is written on a claims-made form, the following shall apply:

- 1. The retroactive date must be shown and must be before the date of the Agreement or the beginning of the Services.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained, and evidence of insurance must be provided for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.
- 3. If claims-made coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policies form with a retroactive date prior to the effective date of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended reporting period for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.

C. Insurance shall include prior acts coverage sufficient to cover the services under this Agreement.

#### Verification of Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions) Insurance Coverage

As the CONTRACTOR'S Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Professional Liability insurance as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance.

Self-Insured Retention: Amount: \$	
Policy Limit: \$	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period: fromto	
Insurance Carrier Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager- Print Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature:	

#### V. Pollution Liability Insurance Coverage

- A. CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be primary, and any insurance or self-insurance procured or maintained by the DISTRICT shall not be required to contribute to it.
- B. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.
- C. Minimum Requirements: Pollution Liability Insurance with minimum limits, as follows:

Each Claim or Occurrence Limit: \$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit: \$2,000,000

D. Coverage must be included for bodily injury and property damage, including coverage for loss of use and/or diminution in property value, and for clean-up costs arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way related to the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of contaminants or pollutants, arising out of,

pertaining to, or in any way resulting from any Services performed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement; including any transportation of hazardous wastes, hazardous materials, or contaminants.

- E. If Coverage is written on a claims-made form, the following shall apply:
  - 1. The retroactive date must be shown and must be before the date of the Agreement or the beginning of the Services.
  - 2. Insurance must be maintained, and evidence of insurance must be provided for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.
  - 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the effective date of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended reporting period for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.
- F. Insurance written on a claims-made basis shall include prior acts coverage sufficient to cover the services provided by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.

#### **Verification of Pollution Liability Insurance Coverage**

As the CONTRACTOR'S Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Pollution Liability insurance, as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance.

Self-Insured Retention: Amount: \$	
Policy Limit: \$	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period: fromto	
Insurance Carrier Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager - Print Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature:	

#### VI. Excess and/or Umbrella Liability Insurance Coverage (Optional – See Paragraph A below)

A. The insurance requirements set forth above may be satisfied by a combination of primary and excess or umbrella policies. Where excess or umbrella policies are used the following shall apply:

- B. CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be primary, and any insurance or self-insurance procured or maintained by the DISTRICT shall not be required to contribute to it.
- C. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.
- D. Minimum Requirements: It is expressly understood by the parties that CONTRACTOR'S Excess and/or Umbrella Liability policies shall, at minimum, comply with all insurance requirements set forth within this Agreement, and shall be at least as broad as coverage required of the underlying policies required herein.
  - Coverage for Products, Completed Operations, and Ongoing Operations must be included in the insurance policies and shall not contain any "prior work" coverage limitation or exclusion applicable to any Services performed under this Agreement and, if it is a claimsmade policy, it must be maintained for a minimum of three (3) years following final completion of the Services.
  - 2. There will be no exclusion for explosions, collapse, or underground damage (XCU).
  - Insurance policies and Additional Insured Endorsements shall not exclude coverage for liability and damages from services performed by contractor/subcontractor on CONTRACTOR's behalf.
  - 4. Contractual liability coverage shall be included and shall not limit, by any modification or endorsement, coverage for liabilities assumed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement as an "insured contract."
  - 5. Independent Contractor's Liability shall not limit coverage for liability and/or damage arising out of, pertaining to, or in any way related to Services provided under this Agreement.
  - 6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the DISTRICT, its directors, officers, officials, agents, volunteers, and employees must be covered as Additional Insureds on a primary and noncontributory basis on all excess and umbrella policies. The Additional Insureds must be covered for liability arising in whole or in part from any premises, Products, Ongoing Operations, and Completed Operations by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, in any way related to Services performed under this Agreement.

- 7. A severability of interest provision must apply for all the Additional Insureds, ensuring that the CONTRACTOR's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the policy's limits.
- 8. CONTRACTOR and its excess and/or umbrella Liability insurance coverage must waive any rights of subrogation against the DISTRICT, its directors, officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers, and CONTRACTOR shall defend and pay any damages as a result of failure to provide the waiver of subrogation from the insurance carrier(s).

#### Verification of Excess and/or Umbrella Liability Insurance Coverage

As the CONTRACTOR'S Insurance Broker/Agent, Officer, or Risk Manager, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Excess and/or Umbrella Liability insurance, as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance.

Excess/Umbrella Limits: Amount \$	
Policy Limit: \$	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period fromto	
Insurance Carrier Name:	
Underlying Policy(ies) listed above to which Excess/Umbrella applies:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager - Print Name:	
Insurance Broker/Agent or Officer or Risk Manager's Signature:	

#### VII. Cyber Liability Insurance Coverage

- A. CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be primary and any insurance or self-insurance procured or maintained by the DISTRICT shall not be required to contribute to it.
- B. The insurance requirements under this Agreement shall be the greater of (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policies or proceeds available to the Named Insured. It is agreed that these insurance requirements shall not in any way act to reduce coverage that is broader or that includes higher limits than the minimums required herein. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of this Agreement are sufficient to cover the obligations of the CONTRACTOR.

C. Minimum Requirements: Cyber Liability Insurance with minimum limits as follows:

Each Claim or Occurrence Limit: \$2,000,000

Aggregate Limit: \$2,000,000

- D. If Coverage is written on a claims-made form, the following shall apply:
  - 1. The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the Agreement or the beginning of the Services.
  - 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.
  - 3. If claims-made coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policies form with a retroactive date prior to the effective date of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended period of coverage for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Services.
- E. Coverage shall include, but not be limited to the following:
  - Liability arising from the theft, dissemination and/or use of confidential information, including but not limited to, personally identifiable information (PII), protected health information (PHI), security codes, access codes, passwords, or personal identification numbers (PINS).
  - 2. Notification costs, credit monitoring and other expert services, regulatory fines and penalties, and defense costs.
  - 3. Network security liability arising from the unauthorized use of, access to, or tampering with computer systems.
  - 4. Liability arising from the introduction of a computer virus into, or otherwise causing damage to vendor (first party) or customer's (third party) computer, computer system, network or similarly related property and the data, software and programs thereon.

#### **Verification of Cyber Liability Insurance Coverage**

As the CONTRACTOR'S insurance broker/agent, I hereby verify that I have reviewed and confirmed that the CONTRACTOR carries Cyber Liability insurance as required by this Agreement, including the relevant provisions applicable to all required insurance.

Self-Insured: Amount: \$		
Policy Limit: Per Claim \$	Aggregate: \$	
Policy Number:		
Policy Period: from:	to:	

Insurance Carrier Name:	
Insurance Broker or Agent: Print Name:	
Insurance Broker or Agent's Signature:	

## EXHIBIT C PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

## CONSULTING AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, and 2028 Accounting 2025-01

THIS Agreement is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of *(month)*, 202\_, by and between **EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, a public entity, hereinafter called "DISTRICT," and *(CONTRACTOR'S FULL LEGAL NAME, BOLD, ALL CAPS followed by type of entity [corporation, etc.])*, hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR."

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, DISTRICT requires consulting services for (need for project); and

WHEREAS, DISTRICT has completed (completed projects that pertain to this project - optional); and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has submitted a proposal to provide consulting services for auditing services for Fiscal Years 2026, 2027 and 2028 and CONTRACTOR represents that it has the experience, licenses, qualifications, staff expertise and where necessary the required Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") registration to perform said services in a professional and competent manner; and

WHEREAS, DI	STRICT Board	of Directors	has authorize	d the contract b	by Motion
Number		_;			

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by DISTRICT and CONTRACTOR that for the considerations hereinafter set forth, CONTRACTOR shall provide said services to DISTRICT, as set forth in greater detail herein.

#### **ARTICLE 1 - SCOPE OF WORK**

- 1.1. CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish services set forth in Exhibit A, Scope of Services, attached hereto and incorporated herein. The services authorized under this Agreement shall also include all reports, manuals, plans, and specifications as set forth in Exhibit A.
- 1.2. It is understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR has the professional skills necessary to perform the work agreed to be performed under this Agreement, that DISTRICT relies upon the professional skills of CONTRACTOR to do and perform CONTRACTOR's work in a skillful and professional manner, and CONTRACTOR thus agrees to so perform the work. CONTRACTOR represents that it has all the necessary licenses to perform the work and shall maintain them during the term of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees that the work performed under this Agreement shall follow practices usual and customary to the accounting profession and that CONTRACTOR is the engineer in responsible charge of the work for all activities performed under this Agreement. Acceptance by DISTRICT of the work performed under this Agreement does not operate as a release of CONTRACTOR from such professional responsibility for the work performed.
- 1.3. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain in confidence and not disclose to any person or entity, without DISTRICT's prior written consent, any trade secret or confidential information, knowledge or data relating to the products, process, or operation of DISTRICT. CONTRACTOR further agrees to maintain in confidence and not to disclose to any person or entity, any data, information, technology, or material developed or obtained by CONTRACTOR during the term of this Agreement. The covenants contained in this paragraph shall survive the termination of this Agreement for whatever cause.
- 1.4. The originals of all computations, drawings, designs, graphics, studies, reports, manuals, photographs, videotapes, data, computer files, and other documents prepared or caused to be prepared by CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors in connection with these services shall be delivered to and shall become the exclusive property of DISTRICT. DISTRICT is licensed to utilize these documents for DISTRICT applications on other projects or extensions of this project, at its own risk. CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors may retain and use copies of such documents, with written approval of DISTRICT.
- 1.5. CONTRACTOR is an independent contractor and not an employee of DISTRICT. CONTRACTOR expressly warrants that it will not represent that it is an employee or servant of DISTRICT.

- 1.6. CONTRACTOR is retained to render professional services only and all payments made are compensation solely for such services as it may render and recommendations it may make in carrying out the work.
- 1.7. It is further understood and agreed by the parties hereto that CONTRACTOR in the performance of its obligations hereunder is subject to the control or direction of DISTRICT as to the designation of tasks to be performed, the results to be accomplished by the services hereunder agreed to be rendered and performed, and not the means, methods, or sequence used by CONTRACTOR for accomplishing the results.
- 1.8. If, in the performance of this agreement, any third persons are employed by CONTRACTOR, such person shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision, and control of CONTRACTOR. All terms of employment, including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring, and discharging, or any other terms of employment or requirements of law, shall be determined by CONTRACTOR, and DISTRICT shall have no right or authority over such persons or the terms of such employment.
- 1.9. It is further understood and agreed that as an independent contractor and not an employee of DISTRICT, neither CONTRACTOR nor CONTRACTOR's assigned personnel shall have any entitlement as a DISTRICT employee, right to act on behalf of DISTRICT in any capacity whatsoever as agent, nor to bind DISTRICT to any obligation whatsoever. CONTRACTOR shall not be covered by DISTRICT's worker's compensation insurance; nor shall CONTRACTOR be entitled to compensated sick leave, vacation leave, retirement entitlement, participation in group health, dental, life or other insurance programs, or entitled to other fringe benefits payable by DISTRICT to employees of DISTRICT.

#### **ARTICLE 2 - COMPENSATION**

2.1. For the Scope of Services described =36hereto and incorporated herein. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that construction work on public works projects requires DIR registration and is subject to prevailing wage rates and includes work performed during the design and preconstruction phases of construction including, but not limited to, inspection and land surveying work. CONTRACTOR certifies that the proposed cost and pricing data used herein reflect the payment of prevailing wage rates where applicable and are complete, current, and accurate. 2.2. In case of changes affecting project scope resulting from new findings, unanticipated conditions, or other conflicts or discrepancies, CONTRACTOR shall promptly notify DISTRICT of the identified changes and advise DISTRICT of the recommended solution. Work shall not be performed on such changes without prior written authorization of DISTRICT.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - NOTICE TO PROCEED**

3.1. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution of the second signature. CONTRACTOR shall commence work upon receipt of DISTRICT's Notice to Proceed, which shall be in the form of a letter signed by DISTRICT's Project Manager. DISTRICT's Notice to Proceed will authorize the Contracted Services described in Exhibit A with ceiling prices described in ARTICLE 2 - COMPENSATION. No work shall commence until the Notice to Proceed is issued.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - TERMINATION**

- 4.1. This Agreement may be terminated by DISTRICT immediately for cause or upon 10 days written notice, without cause, during the performance of the work.
- 4.2. If this Agreement is terminated CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to compensation for services satisfactorily performed to the effective date of termination; provided however, that DISTRICT may condition payment of such compensation upon CONTRACTOR's delivery to DISTRICT of any and all documents, photographs, computer software, videotapes, and other materials provided to CONTRACTOR or prepared by CONTRACTOR for DISTRICT in connection with this Agreement. Payment by DISTRICT for the services satisfactorily performed to the effective date of termination, shall be the sole and exclusive remedy to which CONTRACTOR is entitled in the event of termination of this Agreement and CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to no other compensation or damages and expressly waives same. Termination under this ARTICLE 4 TERMINATION shall not relieve CONTRACTOR of any warranty obligations or the obligations under 1.4 and 7.1.
- 4.3. This Agreement may be terminated by CONTRACTOR upon 10 days written notice to DISTRICT only in the event of substantial failure by DISTRICT to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement through no fault of CONTRACTOR.

#### **ARTICLE 5 - PROJECT MANAGERS**

5.1. DISTRICT designates *David Glasser, Controller*, as its Project Manager, who shall be responsible for administering and interpreting the terms and conditions of this

Agreement, for matters relating to CONTRACTOR's performance under this Agreement, and for liaison and coordination between DISTRICT and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR may be requested to assist in such coordinating activities as necessary as part of the services. In the event DISTRICT wishes to make a change in DISTRICT's representative, DISTRICT will notify CONTRACTOR of the change in writing.

5.2. CONTRACTOR designates (insert CONTRACTOR Project Manager's name) as its Project Manager, who shall have immediate responsibility for the performance of the work and for all matters relating to performance under this Agreement. Any change in CONTRACTOR's designated personnel or subcontractor shall be subject to approval by the DISTRICT Project Manager.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - CONTRACT EQUITY PROGRAM COMPLIANCE**

- 6.1. CONTRACTOR expressly agrees that this Agreement is subject to DISTRICT'S Contract Equity Program ("CEP"). CONTRACTOR is familiar with the DISTRICT'S CEP and Equal Opportunity Guidelines and has read and understood all of the program requirements. CONTRACTOR understands and agrees to comply with the CEP and all requirements therein, including each of the Good Faith Efforts. CONTRACTOR further understands and agrees that non-compliance with the CEP requirements may result in termination of this Agreement.
- 6.2. Designated CEP compliance for the duration of this Agreement is listed in Exhibit D, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. CONTRACTOR shall maintain records of the total amount actually paid to each subcontractor. Any change of CONTRACTOR's listed subcontractors shall be subject to approval by DISTRICT's Project Manager.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

#### 7.1. Indemnification

CONTRACTOR expressly agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless DISTRICT and its Directors, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all loss, liability, expense, claims, suits, and damages, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from CONTRACTOR's, its associates', employees',

subcontractors', or other agents' negligent acts, errors or omissions, or willful misconduct, in the operation and/or performance under this Agreement.

#### 7.2. Insurance Requirements

Insurance Requirements are as stated in Exhibit C, Insurance Requirements.

#### **ARTICLE 8 - NOTICES**

Any notice which DISTRICT may desire or is required at any time to give or serve CONTRACTOR may be delivered personally, or be sent by United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

(insert consulting firm's name) (insert address)

Attention: (insert contact, usually the Contractor's project manager),

or at such other address as shall have been last furnished in writing by CONTRACTOR to DISTRICT.

Any notice which CONTRACTOR may desire or is required at any time to give or serve upon DISTRICT may be delivered personally at EBMUD, 375 11th Street, Oakland, CA 94607-4240, or be sent by United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Director of *Finance* P.O. Box 24055 Oakland, CA 94623-1055 Email: David.Glasser@ebmud.com

or at such other address as shall have been last furnished in writing by DISTRICT to CONTRACTOR.

Such personal delivery or mailing in such manner shall constitute a good, sufficient and lawful notice and service thereof in all such cases.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - MISCELLANEOUS**

9.1. This Agreement represents the entire understanding of DISTRICT and CONTRACTOR as to those matters contained herein. No prior oral or written understanding shall be of any force or effect with respect to those matters

- covered hereunder. This Agreement may only be modified by amendment in writing signed by each party.
- 9.2. This Agreement is to be binding on the successors and assigns of the parties hereto. The services called for herein are deemed unique and CONTRACTOR shall not assign, transfer or otherwise substitute its interest in this Agreement or any of its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of DISTRICT.
- 9.3. Should any part of this Agreement be declared by a final decision by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, invalid or beyond the authority of either party to enter into or carry out, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, which shall continue in full force and effect, provided that the remainder of this Agreement can be interpreted to give effect to the intentions of the parties.
- 9.4. Multiple copies of this Agreement may be executed by the parties and the parties agree that the Agreement on file at the DISTRICT is the version of the Agreement that shall take precedence should any differences exist among counterparts of the Agreement.
- 9.5. This Agreement and all matters relating to it shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
- 9.6. DISTRICT's waiver of the performance of any covenant, condition, obligation, representation, warranty or promise in this Agreement shall not invalidate this Agreement or be deemed a waiver of any other covenant, condition, obligation, representation, warranty or promise. DISTRICT's waiver of the time for performing any act or condition hereunder does not constitute a waiver of the act or condition itself.
- 9.7. There shall be no discrimination in the performance of this Agreement, against any person, or group of persons, on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender including gender identity or expression, age, marital or domestic partnership status, mental disability, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), medical condition (including genetic characteristics or cancer), veteran or military status, family or medical leave status, genetic information, or sexual orientation. CONTRACTOR shall not establish or permit any such practice(s) of discrimination with reference to the Agreement or any part. Any violation of this section shall be deemed to be in material breach of this Agreement.

Contractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR §§ 60-1.4(a), 60-300.5(a)

and 60-741.5(a). These regulations prohibit discrimination against qualified individuals based on their status as protected veterans or individuals with disabilities, and prohibit discrimination against all individuals based on their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin in the performance of this contract. Moreover, these regulations require that covered prime contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, protected veteran status or disability.

CONTRACTOR shall include the nondiscrimination provisions above in all subcontracts.

9.8. CONTRACTOR affirms that it does not have any financial interest or conflict of interest that would prevent CONTRACTOR from providing unbiased, impartial service to DISTRICT under this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - TERM**

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Unless terminated pursuant to ARTICLE 4 - TERMINATION herein, this Agreement shall expire when all tasks have been completed and final payment has been made by DISTRICT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto each herewith subscribe the same in duplicate.

#### **EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

Ву:	Date
(Name), Title	
Approved As To Form	
By: for the Office of General Counsel	
for the office of deficial counsel	
(CONSULTING FIRM'S NAME, ALL CAPS & BOLD,	)
Ву:	Date
(Name),	
(Title)	



#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

#### **East Bay Municipal Utility District**

(insert Project Title)

#### I. CONTRACTOR SERVICES

CONTRACTOR shall provide the following:

**Contracted Services** 

(State each task with associated task number; specifically call out any survey work)

**Optional Services** 

(State each task with associated task number)

#### II. PROJECT SCHEDULE

(List schedule milestones and completion dates)



#### **COMPENSATION**

### East Bay Municipal Utility District (Project Title)

Compensation for services provided in Exhibit A, SCOPE OF SERVICES, shall be in accordance with the methods and specific amounts described in this Exhibit.

- 1. DISTRICT shall pay CONTRACTOR only the actual costs incurred, subject to the Maximum Cost Ceiling. CONTRACTOR certifies that the cost and pricing information used herein are complete, current and accurate. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it will expend public funds and hereby agrees to use every appropriate method to contain its fees and minimize costs under this Agreement.
- 2. Compensation for CONTRACTOR services authorized shall be on a cost reimbursement basis and include Direct Labor, Indirect Costs, Subcontractor Services and Other Direct Costs. Costs to be paid comprise the following:

#### 2.1. <u>Direct Labor</u>

Direct labor costs shall be the total number of hours worked on the job by each employee times the hourly rate for the employee's labor. Hours worked shall be rounded-up to the nearest quarter-hour (0.25) increment. Labor rates shall be based on a normal 8-hour day, 40-hour week.

#### 2.2. Indirect Costs

DISTRICT shall pay CONTRACTOR an overhead expense equal to *(insert overhead rate)* percent of labor costs incurred by CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that this overhead compensation is <u>in lieu</u> of itemized payments for indirect and overhead expenses, which includes, but is not limited to:

- Clerical, word processing and/or accounting work.
- · Vehicle usage and mileage between CONTRACTOR's office and DISTRICT offices or work locations within DISTRICT service area. For work outside of DISTRICT's service area, DISTRICT approval to charge for vehicle usage and mileage and other travel expenses must be obtained prior to the expenses being incurred.

- · Parking. (DISTRICT does <u>NOT</u> provide parking to CONTRACTOR in the DISTRICT Administration Building, located at 375 11th Street, Oakland, California. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for parking elsewhere).
- · Postage, or for certified or registered mail. Extraordinary postage, overnight delivery, or messenger delivery charges must be approved in advance.
- Routine copying costs for in-house copying.
- · Local telephone charges, including cellular phone, modem and telecopier/ FAX charges.
- · Office space lease.
- · Office supplies.
- · Computer equipment.
- · Computer usage charges.
- · Books, publications and periodicals.
- Insurance.
- Miscellaneous hand tools or equipment rental.
- · Safety training, seminars or continuing education.
- Utilities.
- Local meals, transportation or other travel charges.
- · Inadequately described or miscellaneous expenses.

The above items are illustrative, rather than exhaustive.

#### 2.3. <u>Subcontractor Services</u>

Subcontractor services shall be billed at cost (plus a *(insert rate)* percent markup).

#### 2.4. Other Direct Costs

Other Direct Costs shall be approved by DISTRICT in advance in writing, and shall be billed at cost, without markup. These costs include, but are not limited to the following:

- 2.4.1. Automobile expenses at *(insert rate)* cents per mile when CONTRACTOR is required to travel <u>outside</u> of DISTRICT's service area. Mileage will NOT be reimbursed for rental car expenses, where the rental agreement specifies unlimited mileage.
- 2.4.2. DISTRICT will pay for necessary and reasonable travel expenses

provided the travel is approved in advance by DISTRICT Project Manager, and providing that:

- Each expense is separately identified (air fare, hotel, rental car) with an amount and date incurred. Confirming documents may be requested.
- · Charged mileage for vehicle mileage shall not exceed the current allowable Internal Revenue Service rate.
- · Air travel is coach or economy rate for refundable tickets. Business and first class rates will not be reimbursed.
- Lodging accommodations are moderately priced.
- · Meal charges are reasonable. (Reimbursement for meals will only be made in conjunction with out-of-town travel.)
- Taxis or shuttles are used rather than rental cars whenever cost effective.
- · Rental cars are intermediate or compact class only.

#### 2.5. Budget Amounts

Contracted Services	Optional Services	Maximum Cost Ceiling
\$(dollars)	\$(dollars)	\$(dollars)

<sup>\* (</sup>Maximum Cost Ceiling is the sum of Contracted and Optional Services. If your scope has no Optional Services, delete the Contracted and Optional Services columns.)

The Maximum Cost Ceiling shown above is based upon the cost estimate and labor hours attached hereto as EXHIBIT B-1 — Cost Distribution and EXHIBIT B-2 — Labor Distribution\* Costs described above, comprising Direct Labor, Indirect Costs, Subcontractor Services and Other Direct Costs shall be payable up to the Maximum Cost Ceiling as specified herein.

#### 2.6. Billing and Payment

CONTRACTOR shall invoice DISTRICT monthly for the actual costs incurred for work performed during the previous month. Actual costs shall include Direct Labor, Indirect Costs, Subcontractor Services, and Other Direct Costs

as specified herein. Actual costs shall be invoiced by task as described in EXHIBIT A – Scope of Services. Invoices shall set forth a description of the actual costs incurred and the services performed, the date the services were performed and the amount of time spent rounded to the nearest quarterly hour increment (0.25) on each date services were performed and by whom. Supporting documentation for the invoice shall be organized to clearly identify the task charged and shall be supported by such copies of invoices, payroll records, and other documents as may be required by DISTRICT to authenticate invoiced costs. Copies of all invoices from any subcontractor(s) and outside service(s) shall be attached.

DISTRICT shall pay CONTRACTOR within thirty (30) days, upon receipt of a proper CONTRACTOR invoice provided that all invoices are accompanied by sufficient cost documentation, and DISTRICT Form P-47 (Subcontractor Payment Report - CEP Participation), to allow the determination of the reasonableness and accuracy of said invoice.

#### 2.7.

The Maximum Cost Ceiling is in effect for the entire Scope of Services. If the authorized Maximum Cost Ceiling is reached, CONTRACTOR shall complete the agreed-upon work for the authorized Maximum Cost Ceiling. Labor hours may be reallocated within the tasks without renegotiation of the Agreement with written approval from DISTRICT Project Manager in such a manner so as not to exceed the Maximum Cost Ceiling. In no event shall the Maximum Cost Ceiling be increased unless there is a written amendment of this Agreement.

#### 2.8. Budget Status Reports

For the duration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall provide DISTRICT with *monthly* budget status reports that include, in tabular or graphical format, for each report period: (1) the original cumulative projected cash flows for the duration of the project (prepared at the start of the project), (2) the actual cash flows for the work completed to date, (3) the current projected cash flows to complete the project, and (4) the earned value (the amount of work actually completed to date compared to the budget expended). Current projected cash flows shall be based on all CONTRACTOR and subcontractor time sheets up to a date within 3 weeks of the date of the budget status report.

(Note: this table is prepared by the Contractor. The following is provided to show format.)

#### EXHIBIT B-1 – Cost Distribution

#### East Bay Municipal Utility District RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027 and 2028

	CONTRACTOR				Subcontractors**								
		Direct Labor Subcontractor # 1 Subco			ontractor # 2								
	Project	Project					Project	Assist.		Project	Assist.		
	Manager	Engineer	Drafting				Engineer	Engineer		Engineer	Engineer		
Hourly Rate					Indirect				Total			Total	
(\$/hr.)	(***)	(***)	(***)	Total	Costs	ODCs*	(***)	(***)	Cost	(***)	(***)	Cost	Total
1.													
Contracted													
Services													
Task 1.1:													
Task 1.2:													
Task 2.1:													
Task 2.2:													
Subtotal I.													
II. Optional													
Services													
Task 3:													
Task 4:													
Subtotal II.													
TOTAL of													
Subtotals I.													
& II													

- \* ODCs = Other Direct Costs.
- \*\* Includes any prime contractor markup in subcontractor hourly rates.
- \*\*\* Insert hourly rate.

(Note: this table is prepared by the Contractor. The following is provided to show format.)

#### EXHIBIT B-2 – Labor Distribution\*

#### East Bay Municipal Utility District RFP for Professional Auditing Services For Fiscal Years 2026, 2027 and 2028

	CONTRACTOR			Subcontractors***							
					Su	ıbcontracto	r # 1	Su	ubcontractor # 2		
	Project										
	Manage	Project			Project	Assist.		Project	Assist.		
	r	Engineer	Drafting	Subtotal	Engineer	Engineer	Subtotal	Engineer	Engineer	Subtotal	Total
I. Contracted Services											
Task 1.1:											
Task 1.2:											
Task 2.1:											
Task 2.2:											
Subtotal I.											
II. Optional Services											
Task 3:											
Task 4:											·
Subtotal II.											
TOTAL											

(\* Include both Contractor and subcontractor hours. Also, include the percent time commitment for key personnel if a critical issue for success of the project.)

#### **EXHIBIT D**

#### **CEP COMPLIANCE**

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#### **CEP COMPLIANCE**

## East Bay Municipal Utility District (Project Title)

FIRMS UTILIZED	MINIMUM	AMOUNT*	MINIMUM	PERCENT**
(Name of Subcontractor's firm	)	\$(dollars)		(1 to 99)
(Name of Subcontractor's firm	)	\$(dollars)		(1 to 99)
TOTAL	\$(dollars)		(1 to 99)	

- \* Does not include CONTRACTOR's markup. (Include this footnote only if your contract includes markup on subcontractors.)
- \*\* Based on a Maximum Cost Ceiling amount of \$(dollars).



## EXHIBIT E IRAN CONTRACTING ACT CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Public Contract Code (PCC) § 2204, an Iran Contracting Act Certification is required for solicitations of goods or services of \$1,000,000 or more.

To submit a bid or proposal to East Bay Municipal Utility District (District), you must complete **ONLY ONE** of the following two paragraphs. To complete paragraph 1, check the corresponding box **and** complete the certification for paragraph 1. To complete paragraph 2, check the corresponding box and attach a copy of the written permission from the District.

1. We are not on the current list of persons engaged in investment activities in Iran created by the California Department of General Services ("DGS") pursuant to PCC § 2203(b), and we are not a financial institution extending twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) or more in credit to another person, for 45 days or more, if that other person will use the credit to provide goods or services in the energy sector in Iran and is identified on the current list of persons engaged in investment activities in Iran created by DGS.

#### **CERTIFICATION FOR PARAGRAPH 1:**

I, the official named below, CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, that I am duly authorized to legally bind the proposer/bidder to the clause in paragraph 1. This certification is made under the laws of the State of California.

Firm:			
Ву:		Date:	
	(Signature of Bidder)	<u> </u>	
Title:			
Signed at:		County, State of:	

OR

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2. We have received written permission from the District to submit a bid or proposal pursuant to PCC § 2203(c) or (d). A copy of the written permission from the District is included in our bid or proposal.



# EXHIBIT F INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY INFORMATION TO BE EXCLUDED FROM PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUESTS

EBMUD is required to respond to California Public Records Act (CA PRA) requests. Request for Proposals (RFP) are subject to CA PRA requests. If you are submitting sensitive security information about your products or services as part of your response to an RFP for software services, you must submit it as part of Exhibit F for it to be categorized as exempt from CA PRA requests. Any information submitted outside of Exhibit E may be released in response to a CA PRA request.

If you are submitting any information as an attachment, be sure to add the phrase EXHIBIT E to the title and/or filename.