



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
Implementation of the
BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Program
in Pier A Inlet

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Created in 1968, Battery Park City Authority d/b/a Hugh L. Carey Battery Park City Authority (“BPCA”) is a New York State public benefit corporation responsible for financing, developing, constructing, maintaining, and operating Battery Park City as a richly diversified mixed use community providing residential and commercial space, with related amenities such as parks, plazas, recreational areas, and a waterfront esplanade. A summary of BPCA’s structure, mission, and history, as well as the Battery Park City project area, may be viewed at: <http://bpca.ny.gov/>. Public information regarding BPCA’s finances, budget, internal controls, guidelines, and policies may be viewed at: <http://bpca.ny.gov/public-information/>.

VI. OVERVIEW

BPCA requests proposals (individually a “Proposal” and collectively the “Proposals”) from qualified firms (individually a “Proposer” and collectively the “Proposers”) to provide implementation of the BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Program in Pier A Inlet, as described in Exhibit A-1 (the “Work”).

Services shall include but not be limited to collecting and analyzing environmental data around Pier A inlet in accordance with the Monitoring Plan (Exhibit A-2); obtaining and complying with all required permits; developing a Quality Assurance Plan; preparing annual reports; and coordinating required meetings and schedules.

New York State-certified Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (“MBE”), Women-Owned Business Enterprises (“WBE”) and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises (“SDVOB”) are encouraged to submit Proposals.

VII. GENERAL PROVISIONS

This Request for Proposals (the “RFP” or “Solicitation”), including attachments, exhibits, and any amendments or addenda (collectively, the “RFP”) is subject to the rights reserved by BPCA, including, but not limited to BPCA’s right to:

- Reject any or all Proposals received in response to the Solicitation;
- Withdraw the Solicitation at any time, at BPCA’s sole discretion;
- Make an award under the Solicitation in whole or in part;
- Disqualify any Proposer whose conduct and/or Proposal fails to conform to the requirements of the Solicitation;
- Seek clarifications and/or revisions of the Proposal or any part of the Proposal;
- Use information obtained by BPCA through site visits; interviews; investigation of a Proposer’s qualifications, experience, ability or financial standing; and any other material or information provided by or received from the Proposer during the Proposal process;
- Prior to the review of Proposals, direct Proposers to submit Proposal modifications addressing subsequent amendments to the Solicitation;
- Request that Proposers submit best and final offers subsequent to the review of Proposals;
- Change any of the scheduled dates contained in this RFP;
- Waive any non-material requirements of this RFP;
- Negotiate with the selected Proposer within the scope of the Solicitation and in the best interests of BPCA;
- Conduct contract negotiations with another responsible Proposer if BPCA is unable to finalize contractual terms with the first selected Proposer;

- Utilize any and all ideas submitted in the Proposals received regardless of whether a Contract is offered; and
- Require clarification at any time during the Procurement process and/or require correction of arithmetic or other apparent errors for the purpose of assuring a full and complete understanding of a Proposal and/or to determine a Proposer’s compliance with the requirements of the Solicitation.

BPCA is not liable or responsible in any way for any expenses incurred in the preparation of a Proposal in response to this RFP. All information submitted in response to this RFP is subject to the Freedom of Information Law, Article 6 of the New York State Public Officers Law (“FOIL”), which requires public access to certain documents possessed by BPCA, unless a specific exemption applies. Proposers are responsible for identifying any information in their respective Proposals considered to be confidential and exempt from FOIL. BPCA, however, is obligated to disclose information consistent with the requirements of FOIL, NYS Public Officers Law Section 87.

VIII. TIMETABLE & DESIGNATED CONTACT

A. *Key Dates*

Subject to change at BPCA’s discretion, the following are key dates for this RFP:

Procurement Step	Date
RFP Issued	March 17, 2026
Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting	March 23, 2026
<i>Firms must RSVP with the Designated Contact at least 24hrs prior to the pre-proposal meeting</i>	
Deadline to Submit Questions to BPCA*	March 25, 2026, by 3pm
BPCA’s Response to Substantive Questions	March 30, 2026
<i>Responses will be provided in the form of an addendum to be posted on BPCA’s website (https://bpca.ny.gov/apply/rfp-opp/)</i>	
PROPOSAL DUE DATE	April 8, 2026, by 5pm
Proposer Interviews (if any)	Week of April 13
Contract Start Date	June 2026

*All questions regarding this RFP should be submitted in writing via email to the “Designated Contact”: Jennifer Wisnewski, BPCA’s Assistant Contracting Officer and Sustainability Liaison at jennifer.wisnewski@bpca.ny.gov

B. *Anticipated Contract Term*

The anticipated term of the contract awarded pursuant to this RFP (the “Contract”) will be thirty-nine (39) months, with three (3) one-year renewal options which may be exercised by BPCA in its sole discretion.

BPCA reserves the right to terminate the Contract at any time, with or without cause, in accordance with the terms of the Contract. BPCA's sample form of contract is attached as Exhibit F.

IX. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Minimum Qualification Requirements

The following are the minimum qualification requirements for this RFP. Proposals that fail to meet these requirements will be rejected.

1. Proposer must be lawfully authorized to do business in the State of New York
2. Proposer must have an office in or within ninety (90) miles of New York City;
3. Proposer, or one or more of its principals or partners, must have successfully undertaken at least five (5) similar aquatic habitat monitoring projects within the last five (5) years.

B. MBE/WBE/SDVOB Participation, Joint Ventures, and Sub-contracting Goals

Contractor requirements and procedures for business participation opportunities for New York State certified MBEs/WBEs/SDVOBs and equal employment opportunity requirements relating to minority group members and women are attached as Exhibit C. For questions relating to MBE/WBE/SDVOB participation, joint ventures and sub-contracting goals *only*, please contact the "MBE/WBE/SDVOB Designated Contact" Zag-Legrand Kimpolo-Nkaya at zag.kimpolo@bpca.ny.gov or 212-417-2339.

C. Restricted Period

New York State's State Finance Law sections 139-j and 139-k apply to this RFP, restricting Proposers' contacts with BPCA. Proposers are restricted from making any contact (defined as oral, written or electronic communications with BPCA under circumstances where a reasonable person would infer that a communication was intended to influence BPCA's conduct or decision with respect to a procurement) relating to this RFP with anyone other than the Designated Contact, as specified in Section III.A., or MBE/WBE/SDVOB Designated Contact, as specified in Section IV.B., from the time of Proposer's receipt of notice of this RFP through the date of the Final Award as defined in BPCA's Procurement Guidelines (the "Restricted Period"). BPCA employees must record certain contacts during the Restricted Period, including, but not limited to, any oral or written communications that could reasonably be seen as intended to influence BPCA's conduct or award of this RFP. Upon notice of an improper contact, BPCA shall make a determination regarding the Proposer's eligibility to continue participating in this RFP.

D. Submission of Proposals

Proposals must be received by BPCA no later than the Proposal Due Date set forth above.

- Each Proposer must e-mail their Technical Proposal to the following e-mail address: **technicalproposals@bpca.ny.gov**

The Technical Proposal must be clearly labeled as "Technical Proposal Enclosed – BPC Pier A Inlet Habitat Monitoring."

- Each Proposer must also e-mail their Cost Proposal to the following e-mail address: **costproposals@bpca.ny.gov**

The Cost Proposal must be separately attached and clearly labeled as “Cost Proposal Enclosed – BPC Pier A Inlet Habitat Monitoring”

- **Each Proposer is responsible for the successful delivery and receipt of their Proposal. BPCA does not accept Proposals sent via messenger, overnight courier, or certified mail to BPCA offices.** If a Proposer has already sent a Proposal via one of these methods, please e-mail the Proposal to the above e-mail address by the Due Date. If a Technical Proposal’s file size is too large to submit by e-mail, the Proposer must make alternate electronic accommodations (e.g., linking to a file sharing website), which shall also be transmitted through technicalproposals@bpca.ny.gov. Please contact the Designated Contact prior to the Due Date in order to ensure successful transmission of the documents prior to the Due Date.
- Proposals *must* arrive at the time and place specified herein. Please leave ample time for submission. Late Proposals, no matter the cause of their lateness, will NOT be accepted. Hard copy or faxed Proposals will NOT be accepted. A Proposer may, after submitting a Proposal, amend its Proposal by submitting an amended Proposal, clearly labeled " Amended Proposal – Pier A Inlet Habitat Monitoring” as long as the amended Proposal is submitted by the Due Date.

X. PROPOSAL FORMAT AND CONTENTS

A. *Proposal Format*

The Proposal must:

- Be formatted to 8½” x 11” sized pages;
- Have numbered pages; and
- Must be in Adobe PDF, Microsoft Word or Excel format.

B. *Proposal Content*

In addition to the separately sealed Cost Proposal, described in Section VIII below, each Proposal must include the following in the order listed, which shall comprise the Proposer’s Technical Proposal:

1. Executive Summary
2. Completed Proposal Submission Packet, attached as Exhibit B.
3. Financial Statements : Provide a copy of your firm’s most recent Audited Financial Statements (within the last year) or where an audited financial statement is not available, the most recent tax return. In the event you do not have an audited financial statement you must provide a statement to that effect and summary financial information for the calendar year most recently ended certified by an authorized officer.
4. Copies of the Proposer’s Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) W9 form (<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>)
5. Appendices:
 - Attach professional biographies for all key identified in your Proposal.
 - Attach a proposed project schedule in accordance with question 3a in Exhibit B on page B-3.]

- A detailed list identifying any and all exceptions taken to BPCA’s standard form of contract, attached as Exhibit F, explaining the reasons for such exceptions. Such exceptions must be detailed in an appendix to your Proposal labeled, “Appendix: Objections to BPCA Form of Contract.”
 - BPCA reserves the right to disallow any additional exceptions to the Contract after submission of the Proposals and to reject Proposals based on non-conformance with the standard form of Contract.

BPCA reserves the right to reject any Proposals that fail to include any required item described in this Section VI. B., including Cover Letters that are unsigned or fail to include each of the above representations (including an appendix, if applicable).

XI. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. General Requirements

The total cost of the required insurance listed in paragraphs 2) and 3) below, must be incorporated into the Cost Proposal. The additional insured protection afforded BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be on a primary and non-contributory basis. All policies must include a waiver of subrogation in favor of BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York, no policies may contain any limitations / exclusions for New York Labor Law claims, and cross liability coverage must be provided for BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York.

All of the carriers that provide the below required insurance must be rated “A-:VII” or better by A.M. Best and must provide direct written notice of cancellation or non-renewal to BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York at least 30 days before such cancellation or non-renewal is effective, except for cancellations due to non-payment of premium, in which case 10 days written notice is acceptable.

B. Insurance Requirements for the Selected Proposer

The selected Proposer will be required to obtain and provide proof of the types and amounts of insurance listed below: (i) as a condition precedent to the award of the contract for the Project; and (ii) continuing throughout the entire Term. The insurance policies listed below must also conform to the applicable terms of the Contract, as shown in BPCA’s sample form of contract attached.

- **Commercial General Liability Insurance**, written on ISO Form CG 00 01 or its equivalent and with no modification to the contractual liability coverage provided therein, shall be provided on an occurrence basis and limits shall not be less than:
 - \$2,000,000 per occurrence
 - \$4,000,000 general aggregate which must apply on a per location / per project basis
 - \$4,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be protected as additional insureds on ISO Form CG 2010 (11/85) or its equivalent on policies held by the selected Proposer and any of its subconsultants. Securing the required limits via a combination of primary and umbrella/excess liability policies is allowed.

- **Marine P&I Liability Insurance** of not less than \$1,000,000 if any vessels will be used. BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York as additional insured.
- **Automobile Liability Insurance** with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000. Coverage must apply to the Proposer's owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles and protect BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York as additional insured.
- **Workers' Compensation, Employer's Liability**, including US Longshore and Harbor Workers Endorsement. If any employees will work aboard vessels Maritime / Jones Act. Disability Benefits shall not be less than statutory limits, including United States Longshore and Harbor Workers Act coverage as applicable to the operations of the Proposer.
- **Professional Liability ("Errors & Omissions") Insurance** must be maintained at a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each claim.
- **Pollution Liability Insurance** must be maintained at a limit of not less than \$1,000,000

If policy or policies are written on a claims-made basis, coverage must be in place for a period of at least 12 months after the completion or termination of the Agreement.

C. Insurance Requirements for all Subcontractors

Any subconsultant(s) utilized by the selected Proposer will be required to obtain the types and amounts of insurance listed below: (i) as a condition of commencing any Work; and (ii) continuing throughout the duration of the subconsultant's Work. The insurance policies listed below must also conform to the applicable terms of the Contract, as shown in BPCA's sample form of contract attached:

- **Commercial General Liability Insurance**, written on ISO Form CG 00 01 or its equivalent and with no modification to the contractual liability coverage provided therein, shall be provided on an occurrence basis and limits shall not be less than:
 - \$1,000,000 per occurrence
 - \$2,000,000 general aggregate which must apply on a per location / per project basis
 - \$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be protected as additional insureds on ISO Form CG 2010 (11/85) or its equivalent on policies held by all subconsultants. Securing the required limits via a combination of primary and umbrella/excess liability policies is allowed.

- **Automobile Liability Insurance** with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000. Coverage must apply to the subcontractor's owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles and protect BPCA, BPCPC, and the State of New York as additional insured.
- **Workers' Compensation, Employer's Liability, and Disability Benefits** shall not be less than statutory limits, including United States Longshore and Harbor Workers Act coverage as applicable to the operations of the subcontractor.

- **Subconsultants will also be required to obtain all other insurances listed in Section (2) unless otherwise approved in writing by BPCA prior to commencement of any Subconsultant’s work.**

XII. COST PROPOSAL; FORMAT AND REQUIRED INCLUSIONS

Each proposal must include pricing as requested in the cost proposal form(s) in Exhibit E.

The Cost Proposal must be submitted per the requirements stated in Section V.D.

XIII. SELECTION PROCESS

A. *Evaluation*

Each timely submitted Proposal will be reviewed for compliance with the form and content requirements of this RFP. A committee of BPCA employees selected by BPCA (the “Committee”) will then review and evaluate the Proposals in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth below. While only Committee members will score the evaluation criteria, the Committee may consult an outside expert for advisement on the evaluation of matters requiring technical expertise. Before final selection, BPCA must determine that the proposed selected Proposer is responsible, in accordance with applicable law and BPCA’s Procurement Guidelines, which may be viewed at: <http://bpca.ny.gov/public-information/>.

B. *Interviews*

BPCA reserves the right to decide whether to interview any or all of the Proposers. The Committee may conduct interviews for many reasons, including to further assess a Proposer’s ability to perform the Work or provide specific services, or to seek information related to any other evaluation criteria. The proposed Lead PM, as well as other key personnel proposed to perform the Work, must be available to participate in the interview.

C. *Evaluation Criteria for Selection*

Selection will be based upon the following criteria:

- 1) Technical Evaluation:

CRITERIA	WEIGHT
Experience performing similar aquatic habitat monitoring projects	25%
Experience with regulatory permitting and reporting related to aquatic habitat monitoring services	20%
Proposed Approach to the work, Team staffing, communication, and schedule management protocols	30%
Experience of Proposed Project Team	15%
Response to Diversity Practices Questionnaire	10%

- 2) Cost Proposal evaluation.

D. *Basis for Contract Award*

The Contract will be awarded to the highest technically rated Proposer whose Proposal is determined to be responsive and in the best interests of BPCA, subject to a determination that the Cost Proposal is fair, reasonable, and provides the best value to BPCA given the requirements of the project.

XIV. NON-COLLUSION

By submitting a Proposal, each Proposer warrants and represents that any ensuing Contract has not been solicited or secured directly or indirectly in a manner contrary to the laws of the State of New York, and that said laws have not been violated and shall not be violated as they relate to the procurement or the performance of the Contract by any conduct, including the paying or giving of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, or gratuity or consideration of any kind, directly or indirectly, to any member of the board of directors, employee, officer or official of BPCA.

XV. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT

By submitting a Proposal or by assuming the responsibility of any Contract awarded hereunder, each Proposer certifies that it is not on the “Entities Determined To Be Non-Responsive Proposers/Offerers Pursuant to The New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012” list (“Prohibited Entities List”) posted on the New York State Office of General Services website at: <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/docs/ListofEntities.pdf> and further certifies that it will not utilize any subcontractor/consultant that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List on this Contract. The selected Proposer agrees that should it seek to renew or extend any Contract awarded hereunder, it must provide the same certification at the time the Contract is renewed or extended. The selected Proposer also agrees that any proposed assignee of the Contract will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before BPCA may approve a request for assignment of the Contract.

During the term of any Contract awarded hereunder, should BPCA receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law §165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, BPCA will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment activity which is in violation of the New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012 within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then BPCA shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or contract, including, but not limited to, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the selected Proposer in default of the awarded Contract.

BPCA reserves the right to reject any request for renewal, extension, or assignment for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the renewal, extension, or assignment of the Contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with the selected Proposer should it appear on the Prohibited Entities List hereafter.

XVI. EXECUTIVE ORDER 16

Pursuant to Executive Order 16 dated March 17, 2022, all State agencies and authorities are prohibited from entering into any new contract or renewing any existing contract with an entity conducting business operations in Russia. As part of this [solicitation, RFP/RFI], each firm is required to certify that the firm is not an ‘entity conducting business operations in Russia.’ Certification under Executive Order No. 16 can be found in section XIV of Exhibit B: Proposal Submission Packet.

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

EXHIBIT A-1

Statement of Services

I. Project Overview

Consultant is responsible for implementing the BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Program (the “Project”), included as Exhibit A-2, in Pier A Inlet for the duration of the Contract Term. The BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Plan is a monitoring plan covering the full length of Battery Park City.

The Project Area for this scope of work is focused on the aquatic habitat enhancements associated with the South Battery Park City Resiliency (“SBPCR”) Project located in Pier A Inlet. The habitat enhancements at Pier A inlet include:

- Rocky intertidal habitat creation along the shoreline, comprised of tide pools and rip rap. The introduction of these features in an otherwise open water area provides opportunities for increased biodiversity and allows for wave attenuation.
- Marsh terraces, which were also installed and include a series of pre-cast concrete boxes, placed at distinct elevations, filled with soil and planted with marsh vegetation. The marsh terraces will attenuate wave energy and increase biodiversity by enhancing and creating new habitat.

The objective of the Project is three-fold: 1) monitor performance related to regulatory requirements; 2) collect scientific data to contribute to estuary-wide studies and inform future installations; and 3) educate the public about the how ecological interventions can support the health of the Hudson River estuary.

II. Scope of Work

a. Summary of Data Collection Parameters

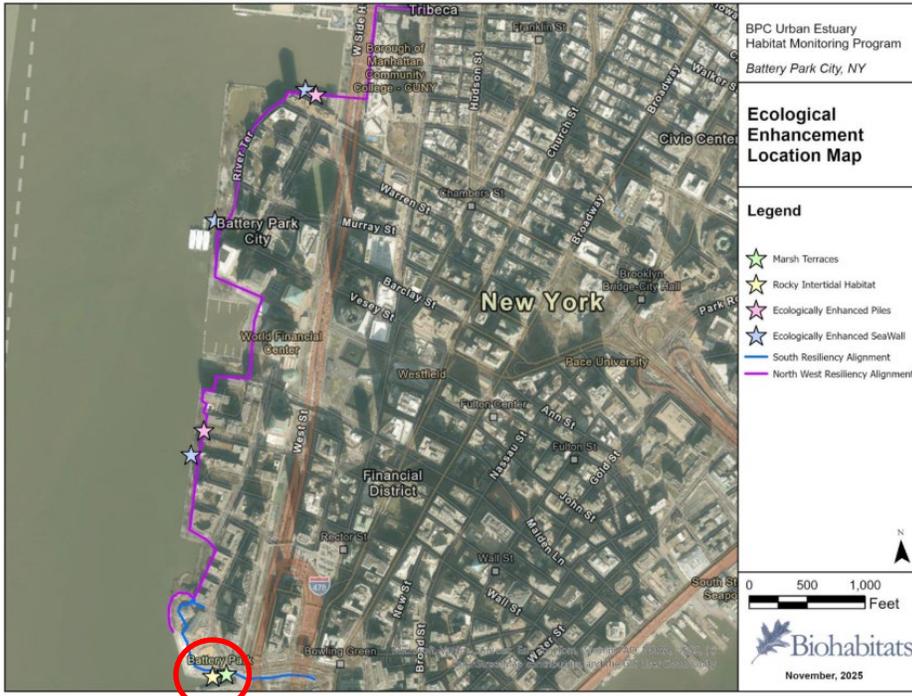
- i. Consultant shall collect data as prescribed in Section 3.1 and Table A of the BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Plan (Exhibit A-2). The areas for data collection may be modified by BPCA, but shall include:
 1. Plants
 2. Sessile Organisms
 3. Mobile Aquatic Organisms
 4. Structural Integrity
 5. Habitat Creation
 6. Habitat Disturbance
 7. Shoreline Slope
 8. Biomass Production and Carbon Sequestration
 9. Water Quality
 10. Hydrodynamics
 11. Sunlight Availability

b. Permitting

- i. The Consultant will be responsible for obtaining all required in-water monitoring permits. All work must be done in compliance with these issued permits.

- ii. The Consultant shall prepare and submit any and all notices, submissions, requests (including any requests for variance, waiver or amendment) or any other documentation required under the terms of the permits) for performance of the Project.
- c. Quality Assurance Plan**
- i. The Consultant will develop a Quality Assurance Plan which shall be subject to BPCA's review and approval, and which will establish quality assurance and quality control standards and procedures to be applied to the collection and analysis of the data collected as part of the BPC Estuary Habitat Monitoring Plan.
- d. Annual Deliverables**
- i. At the end of each calendar year, the Consultant will provide an annual monitoring report detailing the data collected under each survey program including the annual monitoring results. The report will also document any recommendations for changes in the following years. The monitoring report will also document the overall success (e.g. function, performance, value) of the Project. Section 3.2 of the BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Plan (Exhibit A-2) outlines the minimum reporting requirements for the annual monitoring report.
 - ii. By November 15 of each year, the Consultant shall submit to BPCA a draft, electronic version of the invasive species eradication and maintenance plan for review and comment. BPCA will endeavor to provide comments within three (3) weeks of receiving the draft plan and Consultant will address any comments received and finalize the plan for submittal, along with the annual monitoring report, by December 31 of each year.
- e. General Requirements**
- The Consultant will:
- i. Establish an annual schedule for the completion of the Scope of Work tasks, subject to BPCA's review and approval. This schedule will include a kickoff meeting and, at a minimum, three progress meetings a year.
 - ii. All deliverables will be subject to BPCA's review, comment, and approval. The Consultant should assume a minimum of one-round of consolidated edits from BPCA per deliverable

Project Area of Pier A Inlet shown in red circle



Photos of Pier A Inlet (January 2026)

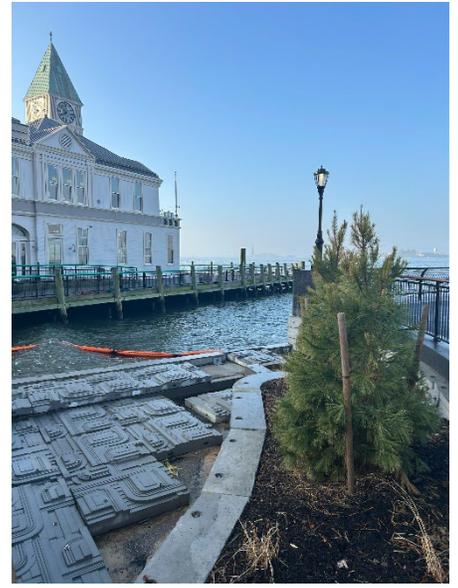


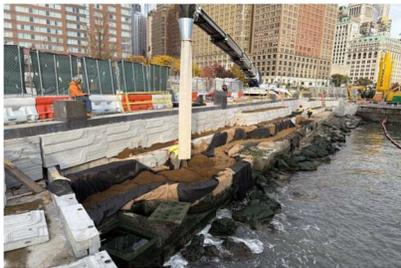
EXHIBIT A-2

**BATTERY PARK CITY
URBAN ESTUARY HABITAT MONITORING PLAN**

January 2026

Battery Park City Urban Estuary Habitat

Monitoring Plan



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1 Introduction

1.1 Background

In an effort to provide ecological uplift along Battery Park City’s (BPC) urban waterfront (Figures 1 and 2), the Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) is incorporating habitat enhancement features as part of its larger goals associated with the South

Battery Park City Resiliency (SBPCR) and North/West Battery Park City Resiliency (NWBPCR) projects. The enhancements will follow BPC’s waterfront, from the southernmost point of Pier A inlet to the North Esplanade. Recommendations and requirements listed in this document include monitoring and adaptive management strategies described in the Waterfront Edge Design Guidelines (WEDG) certification for Wagner Park and Joint Permit Application (JPA) NAN-2024-00433. The BPC Estuary Habitat Monitoring Plan was developed to evaluate the effectiveness and performance of the selected and proposed habitat enhancement features, which include:

Proposed Habitat Enhancement Strategies

- Rocky intertidal habitat (rip-rap and tide pools)
- Marsh terraces
- Ecologically enhanced piles
- Ecologically enhanced sea walls

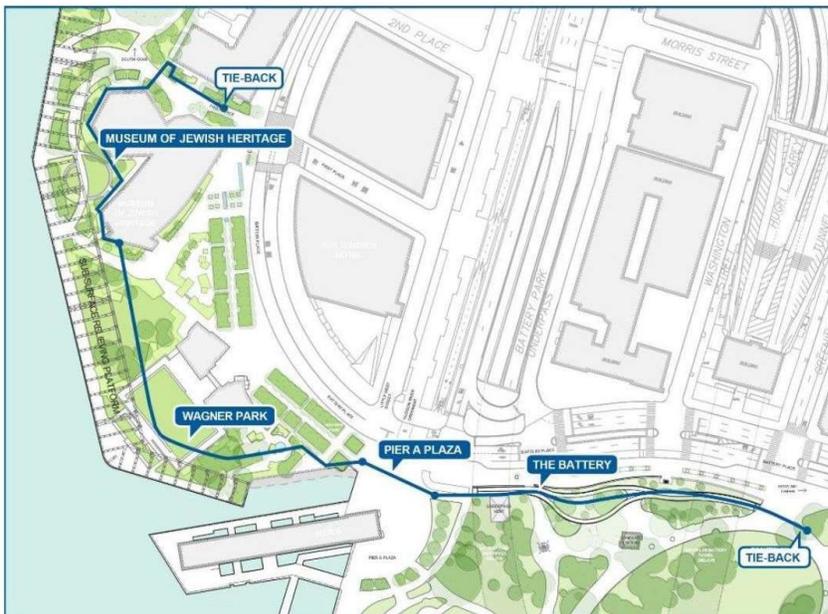


Figure 1. Battery Park City South Resiliency Project Alignment



Figure 2. Battery Park City North/West Resiliency Project Alignment

Key performance metrics and monitoring methodologies were identified during a precedent study (available upon request), which informed this monitoring plan. Multiple existing urban estuarine habitat enhancement projects were identified across a broad geographical area, and details regarding previous and ongoing monitoring for those projects were gathered and summarized. Details from the precedents were compared to basis of design materials and ecological goals of the BPC resilience projects. From this analysis, target ecological parameters and associated monitoring methods were selected for consideration in developing a monitoring plan for the SBPCR and NWBPCR projects.

Based on a review of the SBPCR and NWBPCR construction plans, basis of design documents, and permit requirements, the following ecological parameters of interest were identified as suitable for evaluating the habitat enhancement features that are part of the resilience projects and the estuarine conditions around BPC.

Target Ecological Parameters

- Water quality
- Habitat structure and diversity
- Species cover, diversity, and richness (nekton, benthic and epibenthic organisms, mollusks, birds, plants)
- Hydrodynamics
- Sediment dynamics
- Sunlight availability
- Shoreline slope

1.2 Project Goals

The goals of this project are to increase biodiversity, create habitat, improve water quality and educate residents and visitors about Hudson River ecosystems.

The habitat enhancements discussed in Section 2 aim to address the creation of habitat goals. Where there is no habitat or less desirable habitat, the enhancements will create new opportunities for organisms to live, forage and shelter along BPC's shoreline. After colonization of organisms on the structures, there should be a visible increase in biodiversity. The complex shapes, sizes and surfaces on the newly built structures will attract different species than the current seawall alone has been able to attract.

Aquatic vegetation and sessile organisms, many of which are filter feeders, are typically the first to colonize newly built structures in tidal marine systems. These organisms improve water quality around them significantly and can also create conditions that attract more sensitive species to use the structures and surrounding areas as habitat.

The ecological interventions represent a paradigm shift in urban waterfront infrastructure, where the design intent aims to result in ecological uplift. The monitoring will evaluate the degree to which performance objectives were achieved. Sharing the design intent and outcomes is important for educating the public about the urban Hudson River ecosystem interface. Developing an understanding of human and natural benefits can lead to inspiring advocates for natural infrastructure.

2 Habitat Enhancements

2.1 Enhancement Types

The types of habitat enhancement strategies present at a site can influence the type of organisms that use them, and the type of ecological functions and services provided.

The habitat enhancement strategies proposed as part of the BPC Resiliency Projects (Figure 3) include rocky intertidal habitat (rip-rap and tide pools), marsh terraces, ecologically enhanced piles, and ecologically enhanced sea walls.

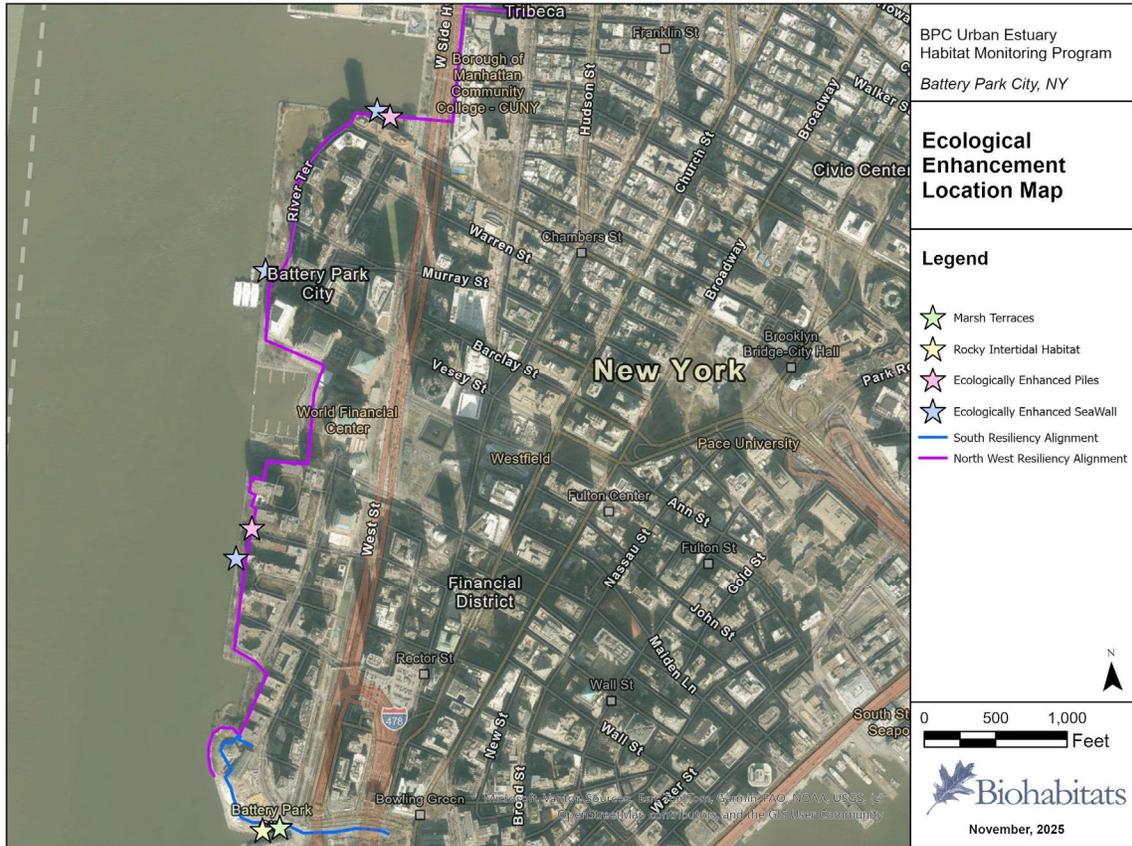


Figure 3. Ecological Enhancement Location Map

The section below describes each of the proposed habitat enhancement strategies, ways in which the strategies may be implemented successfully, and the ecological functions and services provided by each (Figure 4).

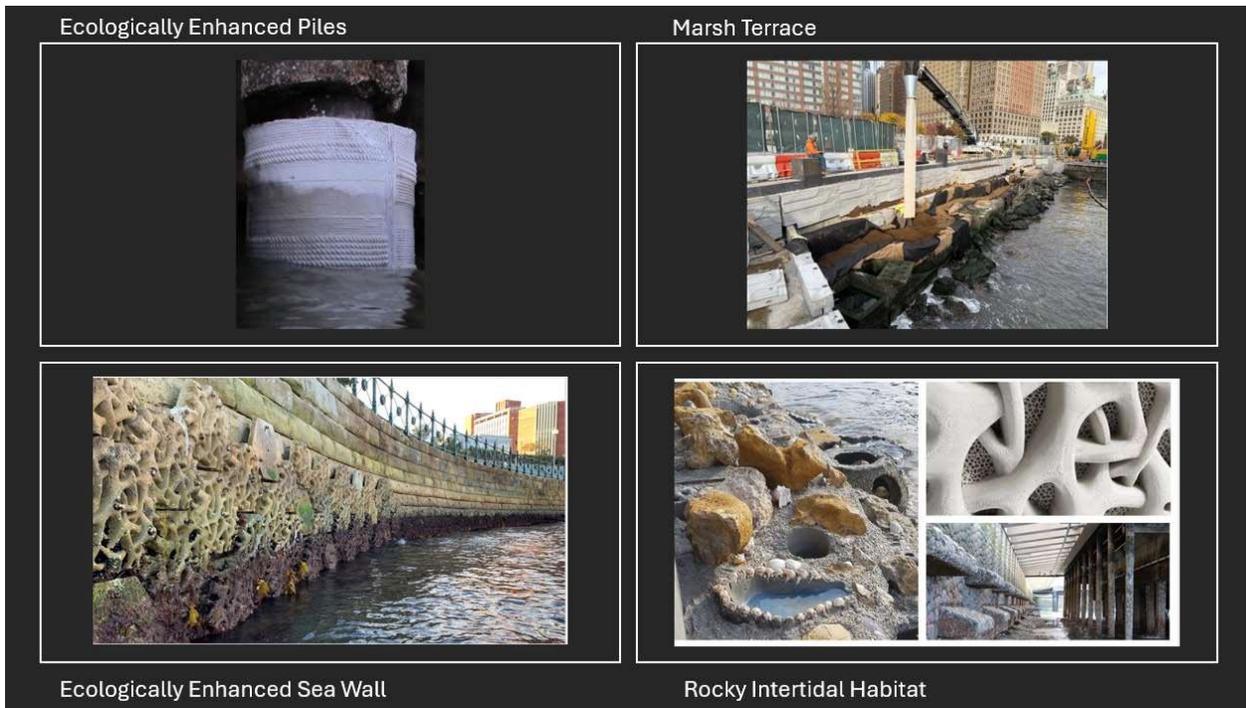


Figure 4. Habitat feature examples

2.2 Rocky Intertidal Habitat

There is currently a lack of intertidal habitat along the shoreline (Figure 5) of Battery Park City with nearly the entire shoreline consisting of vertical concrete walls.

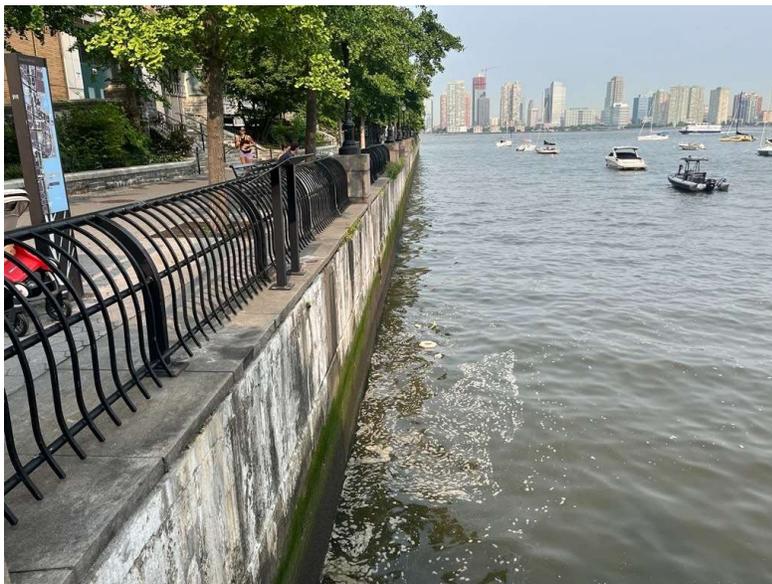


Figure 5. Existing shoreline

The SBPCR project includes rocky intertidal habitat creation along the shoreline within Pier A Inlet, which will be comprised of tide pools and rip rap (Figure 6). Tide pools provide nursery habitat for small fish, increased surface area for sessile organisms to settle and foraging habitat for shore birds, crustaceans, snails and other marine life. Rip rap similarly provides surface area and interstitial space where both mobile and sessile organisms can live and take refuge from larger predators. Depending on the amount of sessile organism colonization, water quality may also be improved in rocky intertidal habitats due to filter feeding. The introduction of both tide pools and rip rap in an otherwise open water area provides opportunities for increased biodiversity and allows for wave attenuation.



Figure 6. Example of EConcrete intertidal Coastalock structures

2.3 Marsh Terraces

Along Pier A Inlet, the SBPCR project includes the installation of marsh terraces which consist of a series of pre-cast concrete boxes, placed at distinct elevations, filled with soil and planted with marsh vegetation. The marsh terraces will attenuate wave energy and increase biodiversity by creating habitat. There are no existing marsh areas along the shoreline of Battery Park City.

2.4 Ecologically Enhanced Piles

At present, nearly all piles in Battery Park City are inboard of and covered by the existing seawall, located under the platform, and consist of both concrete and creosote/treated wood.

To ecologically enhance the existing piles, textured concrete formliners will be installed as a sheath to existing piles and increase rugosity and interstitial spaces along the pile surface to provide several benefits. The increased surface complexity should increase available habitat for sessile organisms, beneficial algae and other aquatic vegetation (Figure 7.); these additional flora and fauna improve water quality through filtration, uptake and settlement; and biodiversity will increase due to addition of habitat types.



Figure 7. Sessile organisms on ECONcrete pile jacket structure

2.5 Ecologically Enhanced Sea Walls

The current seawall is a fairly uniform smooth surface with very little surface area for colonization by sessile organisms or plants (Figure 8).



Figure 8. Existing Seawall Condition

Ecologically enhanced seawalls provide additional surface area and variable textured surfaces to promote colonization by sessile organisms and plants. This will improve water quality due to organismal colonization, increase biodiversity by creating foraging habitat for fish and other marine life in addition to providing erosion and flood mitigation like a traditional sea wall (Figure 9).

Figure 9. Fish foraging on EConcrete seawall structure



3 Monitoring

Based on discussion with BPCA, the objective of the Habitat Monitoring Program is three-fold: 1) monitor performance related to regulatory requirements; 2) collect scientific data to contribute to estuary-wide studies and inform future implementations; and 3) provide a platform for presenting the performance and value of habitat enhancement measures along BPC's waterfront to the public. To this end, Biohabitats evaluated tools utilized in the precedent studies that are related to Monitoring, Performance Reporting, and Engagement.

The BPC Estuary Habitat Monitoring Framework details the performance parameters and their associated protocols (Table A). Development of the framework matrix was informed by the 2020 New York Department of State (NYDOS) "Measuring Success: Monitoring Natural and Nature-Based Shoreline Features in New York State" Final Report. The framework in the NYDOS report ties in resilience services and indicators to help orient the framework user and allows for easier selection of monitoring tasks based on needs. Likewise, all performance parameters in the BPC monitoring framework are tied to effectively monitoring the target ecological parameters. The framework was refined by considerations of approximate monitoring task costs and efficiencies, frequency of monitoring efforts, and JPA and WEDG requirements.

A more extensive version of the monitoring framework is included in Appendix A. Appendix A also includes a summary of how certain monitoring tasks may complement and overlap.

Table A. BPC Estuary Habitat Monitoring Framework

Note: 1. Percent cover is used in the WEDG certification documents; however, is not a reasonable metric by which to measure insects or birds. A more appropriate measure is presence, abundance, and richness. 2. Color is used here to indicate which tasks can be completed together. See Appendix A for further details of tasks that might complement each other or be completed together.

Resilience Service Area	Performance Parameter	Indicators	Field/Desktop Protocols
Ecological Function	Species Cover, Diversity and Richness-Plants (JPA)	Plant presence, percent cover, richness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document plant species mix and distribution within each planted ecozone Document the intrusion of non-native or invasive species Measure observed species diversity Track changes in species distribution
Hazard Mitigation and Structural Integrity	Habitat Disturbance and Sediment Dynamics (WEDG)	Visible signs of disturbance (e.g. erosion) and Change in Sediment Distribution	Review park conditions and user patterns in habitat areas. Characterize structural changes (e.g. sediment buildup or erosion)
	Habitat Structure and Diversity (WEDG)	Visible materials degradation	Document cracking or displacement of terrace structures, EConcrete® veneers and EConcrete® features.
	Shoreline Slope (WEDG)	Change in feature elevation and abundance of debris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document wind or surface water erosion of planting soils Document settlement of planting soil, concrete planters and landscape areas Document presence of Waterborne debris
Ecological Function	Species Cover, Diversity and Richness-Sessile Organisms (WEDG)	Sessile organism presence, percent cover, richness and composition	Sample species coverage and measure subset for growth and density. Potential to integrate with ongoing iNaturalist.
	Species Cover, Diversity and Richness-Insects and Birds (WEDG)	Insect and bird presence, percent cover and richness	Sample species coverage and record observations of species utilization. Potential to integrate with ongoing iNaturalist.
	Habitat creation (functional surface)	Habitat creation (functional surface)	CAD design validation, photogrammetry, LiDAR/ROV mapping
	Biomass production	Biomass production	Quadrat photo-analysis, scrape samples for dry weight
	Carbon sequestration	Carbon sequestration	Lab analysis of calcifying organisms, biomass to carbon conversion factors
Water Quality	Change in water quality condition	Characterize water quality parameters	Sonde deployment set up to record water temperature, salinity, depth, turbidity and dissolved oxygen every 30 minutes.
	Change in water quality condition	Water filtration & quality	Functional trait models of filter feeders, calibrated from photo analysis of species composition & in-field probes for environmental factors
Hydrodynamics (WEDG)	Change in water movement and habitat condition	Change in water movement and habitat condition	Characterize habitat resilience to boat wakes, tidal energy, flooding frequency and storm events
Sunlight Availability	Observation of light	Observation of light	Document percentage of available light accessing habitat

3.1 Parameters and Frequency of Data Collection

This section includes the selected performance parameters to monitor as it relates to the proposed ecological enhancement features, the associated permit and certification requirements, and the intent to contribute to broader estuary-wide studies. Each section identifies which project (i.e. SBPCR or NWBPCR) includes monitoring for the parameter. See Appendix A for a summary table of parameters, locations, and frequencies.

SPECIES COVER, DIVERSITY AND RICHNESS

Plants (SBPCR)

Twice a year determine the plant species cover, diversity and richness by documenting the native and non-native plant species mix and distribution within each planted eco-zone on the tidal terrace at Wagner Park. This is to be accomplished by estimating the percent aerial cover by vegetative parts or by counting the number of stems of each plant species using a quadrat sampling or grid sampling methodology.

Sessile Organisms (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Once a year determine the sessile organism species cover, diversity and richness by documenting the native and non-native sessile organism species mix and distribution within each defined eco-zone (Figure 10). Options to document this include:

- ROV Survey: Sample native and non-native species percent cover using a series of quadrats along a transect perpendicular to the shore in each ecozone (including intertidal). Measure a subset for growth and density.
- Diver Transect: Sample native and non-native species percent cover using a series of quadrats along a transect perpendicular to the shore in each ecozone (including intertidal). Measure a subset for growth and density.
- eDNA sampling: Using materials sourced from an eDNA company, wear gloves and attach provided filter to syringe. Collect water through the syringe and push through the filter. Remove filter and place inside sample sup/bag with label of location taken and name of project. Repeat with additional filters as needed for different locations, cleaning syringe in between with deionized water.
- Data analysis using iNEXT.3dC: Download and install the iNEXT.3d package to existing R program on computer or use the online version which requires no R experience. Enter observed data requested by analysis tool (n-number of individuals, S.obs-number of observed species in reference sample, C.hatestimated sample coverage, and f1-f10- the first ten species abundance frequency counts in the sample). Once data is entered into tool, update general settings or leave defaults as is and run the model to show interpolation/extrapolation results in graph and table form.



Figure 10. Quadrat Sampling organisms on ecologically enhanced EONconcrete structures

Mobile Aquatic Organisms (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Determine mobile aquatic organism species diversity and richness by documenting the presence of fish, crustacean and other mobile species at various locations across the site. At each sampling location deploy a suite of crab, minnow and box traps which should be checked three to five times a week during the most active parts of the year (May to October) and at minimum once a week in the off-season. Record species, size and count of each individual captured.

HABITAT STRUCTURE AND DIVERSITY

Structural Integrity (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Once a year document cracking or displacement of marsh terrace structures, ecologically enhanced pile wraps and ecologically enhanced seawall veneers. Perform this assessment through sounding, Non-Destructive Testing (NDT), Chloride Ion Content and Compressive Strength testing.

Habitat Creation (functional surface) (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Within 6 months of construction final completion, measure the surface area (m²) of the habitat created within the project site using photogrammetry, LiDAR/ROV mapping for CAD design validation. Once a year conduct photogrammetry, LiDAR/ROV mapping for periodic structural scans to monitor any change in the functional surface.

Habitat Disturbance (SBPCR)

Once a year conduct visual inspections of park conditions and record user patterns to determine if users (human and wildlife) are intruding into planting bed areas or disturbing contiguous habitat areas. Characterize and document structural changes (e.g. sediment buildup or erosion).

Shoreline Slope (SBPCR)

Once a year document any change in feature elevations and note the abundance of debris accumulated on the shoreline feature. Through visual observation, photography, and notation on a plan set/map, document any wind or surface water erosion of planting soils, settlement of planting soil, concrete planters and landscape areas. Also, document the presence of any accumulated waterborne debris on the shoreline feature.

ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION

Biomass Production and Carbon Sequestration (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Biomass production is measured using the Loss on Ignition (LOI) method, in which a defined surface area is scraped to collect all biogenic material for quantification of organic (biomass) and inorganic (CaCO_3) fractions. Live cover is scraped and collected from a defined sampling unit, such as a 15 cm by 15 cm quadrat. The scraped mass is then dried in an oven (80 °C for 24 h), weighed (dry weight), burned in a furnace (650 °C for 6 h), and weighed again (ash-free dry weight). From the resulting weights, the organic and inorganic masses can be calculated. Results can then be standardized to gr/cm^2 to account for the number of quadrats sampled. This data allows for the assessment of biological productivity and the rate of calcification-based carbon storage, calculated by converting biogenic CaCO_3 buildup to grams of carbon sequestered (based on 120 g C per kg CaCO_3). This methodology enables site-specific evaluation of both organic growth and carbon assimilation across tidal zones.

Water Quality (SBPCR and/or NWBPCR)

Water quality monitoring is conducted through in-situ readings of dissolved oxygen, temperature, salinity, and turbidity using a handheld or deployed multiparameter probe. Measurements are taken within or 1 ft. below the water surface near ecologically enhanced concrete units and 1 ft. below the water surface adjacent control waters to evaluate the influence of biogenic and algal activity on local conditions. These site-specific measurements can be collected in addition to the data provided by the nearby Hudson River Environmental Conditions Observing System (HRECOS), which provides continuous real-time information for the water quality of specific locations in the Hudson River.

Hydrodynamics (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

To monitor changes in water movement and habitat condition, once a year conduct visual observations and characterize habitat feature resilience to boat wakes, tidal energy, flooding frequency and storm events. Existing tide gage at the Battery can provide real-time water surface measurements.

Sunlight Availability (SBPCR and NWBPCR)

Once a year during the growing season, assess the exposure of habitat features to available sunlight by documenting the percentage of available light accessing habitat features.

3.2 Reporting Requirements and Recommendations

Reporting of monitoring data is necessary to confirm structures and strategies that have been implemented are meeting ecological requirements set forth in permit documents and WEDG certification. This section lists reporting requirements and recommendations based on the following permits and best practices based on Biohabitats experience; NYSDEC Permit No. 2-6205-01882/00003; PID 9922, Waterfront Alliance's Waterfront Edge Design Guidelines Certification (WEDG) and The Department of the Army Joint Permit number NAN-2024-00433.

An annual monitoring report shall be prepared that evaluates and documents the annual monitoring results. The monitoring report will also document the overall success (e.g. function, performance, value) of the project. Habitat function will be determined by assessing the species cover, diversity and richness, habitat creation, sunlight availability and ecological function parameters discussed in Section 3.1. Habitat performance will be assessed by documenting the resilience of the habitats through the structural integrity, shoreline slope, and hydrodynamics parameters discussed in Section 3.1. Assessing the value of the habitat structures involves documenting the services they provide, such as water quality and carbon sequestration, discussed in the ecological function parameter in Section 3.1. Overall, documenting success of the project includes vegetation viability and percent cover; invasive species presence; hydrodynamics; presence, richness and percent cover of bird, insect and sessile organisms; identify problem areas (e.g. structure failure, erosion, habitat disturbance, debris accumulation); and proposed remediation measures, as necessary.

In addition, a brief memo documenting the overall site conditions with overview photographs shall be prepared. A draft, electronic version of the annual monitoring report and memorandum will be submitted to BPCA for review and comment by November 1 of each year. It should be assumed that comments from multiple reviewers will be consolidated and provided back within five (5) weeks of receiving the draft annual monitoring report. The contractor will address any comments received and finalize the annual monitoring report for submittal by December 31 of each year.

A draft, electronic version of the invasive species eradication and maintenance plan (see Section 3.3) will be submitted to BPCA along with the annual monitoring report for review and comment by November 15 of each year. It should be assumed that comments from multiple reviewers will be consolidated and provided back within

three (3) weeks of receiving the draft plan. The contractor will address any comments received and finalize the plan for submittal along with the annual monitoring report by December 31 of each year.

Upon completion of annual reporting deliverables, BPCA will determine the best mechanisms for sharing the monitoring data. Options may include graphically designed materials showing key data, dashboard or live data sharing tool (see detailed recommendations in Appendix B). The following data can be shared with the general public and pulled directly from the annual report (Table B).

Table B: Recommended strategies for presenting monitoring data to public

Data	Recommended Presentation of Data
Wildlife Sightings	Photos/Interactive map with locations and information about species (unless rare/threatened/endangered)/Remotely Operated underwater Vehicle (ROV) video
Water Quality	Report Card or graphic showing target range and where BPCA sites fall in the range/ information related to fishability or recreational water contact based on results
Habitat Disturbance	Interactive map with locations that are off limits and photos of effects of disturbance
Vegetation	Live feed/photos showing growth over time/time lapse or map with species observed and location/ ROV video
Hydrodynamics	Flood/tide/storm live feed, time lapse or photos/Bar Graphs with illustrations

3.3 Adaptive Management Recommendations

Adaptive Management is a formal process for continually improving management practices by learning from the outcomes of monitoring, operational and experimental approaches. Monitoring of the installed habitat enhancement features will allow for an adaptive approach to how they are managed in the future.

ROCKY INTERTIDAL

Monitoring may reveal that the rocky intertidal areas are not meeting performance standards due to erosion, structural damage, or debris accumulation. If erosion or structural damage are observed, the contractor, through coordination with BPCA, shall attempt to identify the cause, which may be wave action, vandalism, or ice. Depending on the cause, additional structural measures may be implemented to reinforce the habitat features. If vandalism is suspected, additional measures shall be taken to prohibit access to the area. If debris accumulation is impacting habitat function, a regular maintenance program may be implemented. Note that certain debris such as wood, natural wrack, and sediment may be beneficial to the site and improve ecological function.

MARSH TERRACES

Annually, the contractor will develop a vegetation management plan that uses the annual plant monitoring to determine the need for invasive species eradication and/or planting maintenance. As site conditions can change over time, the annual plan will include methods followed for monitoring of non-native invasive species presence and extent such as cataloging species and documenting areas of cover with sketched or GPS'd locations, and criteria for triggering invasive species control or other adaptive management activities on site. The plan will be a brief, concise report, approximately 5 pages in length, with supporting maps, as needed.

In addition to adaptively managing invasive species, the marsh terraces may require adaptive management of vegetation and growth media associated with hydrodynamic conditions. If it is observed that vegetation is not surviving, the depth and duration of inundation from the tide may be the cause. Target inundation periods and depths for the planted species should be compared to hydrodynamic data collected from the Battery tide gage or locally installed instruments in Pier A. The elevation of planting or species of vegetation may need to be adjusted to correspond with site conditions. If erosion is observed, larger substrate or erosion protection may need to be installed.

ECOLOGICALLY ENHANCED PILES

Adaptive management for the ecologically enhanced piles may relate to replacement of damaged or lost sections of enhancement wraps. If oyster establishment is a goal for BPCA, BPCA may consider adding seeded oyster materials to the ecologically enhanced piles.

ECOLOGICALLY ENHANCED SEA WALLS

Adaptive management for the ecologically enhanced sea walls may include replacement or repair of damaged sections. The maintenance contractor may also consider adding habitat complexity features such as panels or structures to the sea wall to further enhance habitat value. If oyster establishment is a goal for BPCA, BPCA may consider adding seeded oyster materials to the ecologically enhanced sea walls.

4 Conclusion

A robust and comprehensive monitoring plan has been developed to determine if the SBPCR and NWBPCR projects are reaching their intended goal of ecological uplift. The proposed regular monitoring of target ecological parameters on and around the habitat enhancement features installed along the Battery Park City shoreline can determine if the project goals of increased biodiversity, creating estuary habitat, and improving water quality are achieved. Regular monitoring and reporting efforts will be a useful tool to both engage the local community and inform the ongoing management needed for these enhancement features.

EXHIBIT B

(Proposal Submission Packet)

I. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION CHECKLIST AND CONFIRMATION STATEMENT

The Proposer hereby certifies that they meet the Minimum Qualification Requirements as stated in Section V.A of the RFP.

The Proposer hereby certifies that except as disclosed in the Proposal, no officer or employee of the Proposer is directly or indirectly a party to or in any other manner interested financially or otherwise in this RFP.

The Proposer hereby certifies that they have reviewed BPCA’s form of contract, attached as Exhibit F to the RFP, and either has no objections or has detailed their objections in an appendix to their Proposal.

The Proposer hereby certifies that they possess the experience, ability, resources and financial standing to perform the Services and shall, upon request by BPCA, provide documentation of such.

The Proposer hereby certifies that their Proposal submitted for Battery Park City Estuary Habitat Monitoring Phase 1 includes the following required documents and forms, or that, where any required form or document may not be included, a written explanation has been provided for that omission:

1. Forms & Items included in this Exhibit:

- This Checklist
- Answers to “Information Required”
- Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire / Certificate of No Change
- Statement of Non-Collusion
- Affirmation of Understanding of and Agreement Pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j(3) and §139-j(6)(b)
- Certification of Compliance with New York State Finance Law §139-k(5)
- Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations
- Encouraging the Use of New York State Businesses Statement
- Acknowledgement of Addenda Form
- MWBE Utilization Plan
- SDVOB Utilization Plan
- Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises And Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement
- Diversity Practices Questionnaire
- Executive Order 16 Certification
- Gender-Based Violence and the Workplace Certification

2. Additional Required Documents

- Executive Summary
- Copy of the Proposer’s IRS W9 Form (<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>)
- Copy of the Proposer’s financial statements per section V.B.c.i
- Copies of appendices listed in section V.B.c.iii

Name of Proposer:

Officer Name:

Officer Title:

(Signature of Officer)

II. INFORMATION REQUIRED

The information requested in Sections A and B below is mandatory, and your Proposal shall be rejected as non-responsive if it does not contain responses to these questions. Answers may be written in the space provided, or included on separate pages, as part of the Proposal.

A. *Minimum Qualifications-* Provide an itemized and brief narrative demonstrating how the Proposer meets **each** of the minimum qualification requirements set forth in Section V.A. of the RFP. Any projects identified must include the project title, a brief description of the scope of work, start date, end date (if applicable), location, and project owner or client.

B. *Information Sought Relating to the Work*

1) Experience performing similar aquatic habitat monitoring projects (25%)

a. Describe your firm's background, services, size, and history as these factors may be relevant to the Services – with particular emphasis on aquatic habitat monitoring services, especially for similar urban projects or projects within the Tri-State Area.

b. Describe your firm's experience with environmental monitoring and production of reports.

c. Provide at least three (3) client references for whom your firm has performed similar work to that requested in this RFP. For each client, describe the project, the project's date, and services performed, and provide the name, address, and telephone number for a person at client's firm familiar with such work.

2) Experience with Regulatory Permitting and Reporting (20%)

a. Describe your firm's experience with regulatory permitting and reporting related to aquatic habitat monitoring services.

3) Proposed Approach to Execute the Work, Team Staffing, Communication methods, and Schedule Management Protocols (30%)

- a. Describe your proposed approach to, and methodology for, performance of the Services. Your response should clearly address (i) your overall technical approach to executing the scope of work and implementing the Monitoring Plan; (ii) proposed staffing assignments, team structure, and roles of key personnel; (iii) your approach to obtaining and complying with required permits and coordinating with regulators; (iv) quality assurance and quality control procedures; (v) communication protocols with BPCA, including meetings, reporting, and issue escalation; and (vi) your proposed schedule, key milestones, and schedule management protocols to ensure timely completion of deliverables., team structure, permit requirements, communication protocols, and schedule management

4) Experience of Proposed Project Team (15%)

- a. Identify the person who will be the Lead Project Manager (the “Lead PM”) and primary contact in providing services to BPCA, and any other persons who will be listed as a “key person” in any contract with BPCA. These people must attend the interview if your firm is invited.

- b. List each key member of the team you intend to assign to this engagement and include for each listed individual: (a) area(s) of specialization; (b) title and/or position within your firm; (c) the services to be performed; and d) their experience and qualifications.

- c. Provide an organizational chart and identify any subconsultants you intend to use for this engagement and describe the services to be performed by each subconsultant.

C. Questions and Information Sought Relating to the Proposal and Proposer’s Firm & Eligibility

3. Clearly identify any information in your Proposal that you believe to be confidential and exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Law (“FOIL”) and state your reasoning therefor. Please note that this question is for informational purposes only, and BPCA will determine FOIL applicability in its sole discretion

4. Identify any exceptions taken to BPCA’s Standard Form of Contract, attached as Exhibit E, explaining the reasons for such exceptions. Such exceptions must be detailed in an appendix to your Proposal labeled “Appendix: Objections to BPCA Form of Contract.” No exceptions to the Contract will be considered by BPCA after submission of the Proposals. BPCA maintains the right to reject Proposals based on non-conformance with the Standard Form of Contract.

5. Within the past three (3) years, have there been any significant developments in your firm such as changes in ownership or restructuring? Do you anticipate any significant changes in the near future? If so, please describe them. How does your firm identify and manage conflicts of interest?

6. Are there any potential conflict of interest issues posed by your firm’s performance of the Services on behalf of BPCA?

7. Has your firm, or have any of the firm’s partners/employees, been disciplined or censured by any regulatory body within the last five (5) years? If so, please describe the relevant facts.

8. Within the last five (5) years, has your firm, or a partner or employee in your firm, been involved in litigation or other legal proceedings relating to the provision of professional services? If so, please provide an explanation and the current status or disposition of the matter.

9. List any professional or personal relationships your firm’s employees may have with BPCA’s Board Members and/or employees, a list of which is attached as Exhibit D.

10. If selected, will your firm assign any person to this engagement who was previously an employee of BPCA or BPCA’s affiliate, the Battery Park City Parks Conservancy (“BPCPC”)? If so, please: i) identify when (month and year) that person’s employment at BPCA/BPCPC terminated, and ii) describe that person’s involvement, if any, with matters related to this RFP during his/her employment at BPCA/BPCPC.

11. In the past five (5) years, have any public sector clients terminated their working relationship with your firm? If so, please provide a brief statement of the reasons. Provide the name of the client and provide a contact person, address and telephone number.

III. VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

A. *Instructions:*

The Standard Vendor Responsibility Form should be filled out by someone in your firm who knows about tax filings, prior findings of non-responsibility by a governmental authority, etc., and can certify the accuracy of all information requested in the form (such as legal status, tax status, and debarment status).

You must answer every question on the questionnaire.

NOTE: You may fill out the “Certificate of No Change” form instead ONLY if your firm has submitted the Vendor Responsibility form to Battery Park City Authority already during this calendar year. If this is the first time your firm is proposing to do work for Battery Park City Authority this year, then you must fill out the entire Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire.

A. Standard Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire

- a. Legal Business Name:
- b. Federal Employer Id No.
(FEIN):
- c. D/B/A – Doing Business As
(if applicable):
County Filed:
- d. Website Address
(If Applicable)
- e. Principal Place of Business Address:

- f. Telephone:
- g. Fax (If Applicable):
- h. Authorized Contact for this
Questionnaire:
 - i. Name:
 - ii. Title:
 - iii. Telephone:
 - iv. Email:
- i. Type Of Business (please
check appropriate box and
provide additional
information)
 - Corporation (Sole Proprietor).
State of Incorporation:
 - Corporation (General Partnership).
State of Incorporation:
 - Corporation (Not-For-Profit).
Charities Registration Number:
 - Corporation (Limited Liability Company/LLC).
Jurisdiction Filed In:
 Corporation (Limited Partnership).
State/County filed in:
 - Individual
 - Other – Specify:

- j. If not incorporated or
formed in New York State,
please provide a current
Certificate of Good

Standing from your state or applicable local jurisdiction.

- k. List the name and title of each principal owner, officer, major stockholder (10% or more of the voting shares for publicly traded companies, 25% or more of the shares for all other companies), director, and member, as applicable:

- l. Authorized Contact for the Proposed Contract:

- i.Name:
- ii.Title:
- iii.Telephone:
- iv.Email:

Vendor Name:

Vendor FEIN:

- B. Does the vendor use, or has it used in the past five (5) years, any other business name, FEIN, or D/B/A other than what is listed in question a-c above? Yes No

If yes, please provide the name(s), FEIN(s), and D/B/A(s) and the address for each such company and D/B/A on a separate page and attach to this response.

- C. Within the past five (5) years, has the vendor, any principal, owner, officer, major stockholder (10% or more of the voting shares for publicly traded companies, 25% or more of the shares for all other companies), affiliate¹ or any person involved in the bidding, contracting or leasing process been the subject of any of the following:

- a. a judgment or conviction for any business related conduct constituting a crime under federal, state or local government law including, but not limited to, fraud, extortion, bribery, racketeering, price-fixing or proposal collusion or any crime related to truthfulness and/or business conduct? Yes No
- b. a criminal investigation or indictment for any business related conduct constituting a crime under federal, state or local government law including, but not limited to, fraud, extortion, bribery, racketeering, price-fixing or proposal collusion or any crime related to truthfulness and/or business conduct? Yes No
- c. an unsatisfied judgment, injunction or lien for any business related conduct obtained by any federal, state or local government agency including, but not limited to, judgments based on taxes owed and fines and penalties assessed by any federal, state or local government agency? Yes No
- d. an investigation for a civil or criminal violation for any business related conduct by any federal, state or local agency? Yes No
- e. a grant of immunity for any business-related conduct constituting a crime under federal, state or local governmental law including, but not limited to, fraud, extortion, bribery, racketeering, price-fixing, proposal collusion or any crime related to truthfulness and/or business conduct? Yes No

¹"Affiliate" meaning: (a) any entity in which the vendor owns more than 50% of the voting stock; (b) any individual, entity or group of principal owners or officers who own more than 50% of the voting stock of the vendor; or (c) any entity whose voting stock is more than 50% owned by the same individual, entity or group described in clause (b). In addition, if a vendor owns less than 50% of the voting stock of another entity, but directs or has the right to direct such entity's daily operations, that entity will be an "affiliate" for purposes of this questionnaire.

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| f. | a federal, state or local government suspension or debarment from the contracting process? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. | a federal, state or local government contract suspension or termination for cause prior to the completion of the term of a contract? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. | a federal, state or local government denial of a lease or contract award for non-responsibility? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. | an administrative proceeding or civil action seeking specific performance or restitution in connection with any federal, state or local contract or lease? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| j. | a federal, state or local determination of a willful violation of any public works or labor law or regulation? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| k. | a sanction imposed as a result of judicial or administrative proceedings relative to any business or professional license? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| l. | a consent order with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or a federal, state or local government enforcement determination involving a violation of federal, state or local environmental laws? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| m. | an Occupational Safety and Health Act citation and Notification of Penalty containing a violation classified as serious or willful? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| n. | a rejection of a proposal on a New York State contract or a lease with the State for failure to comply with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| o. | a citation, violation order, pending administrative hearing or proceeding or determination issued by a federal, state or local government for violations of: | | |
| | i. health laws, rules or regulations | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | ii. unemployment insurance or workers' compensation coverage or claim requirements | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | iii. ERISA (Employee Retirement Income Security Act) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | iv. human rights laws | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | v. federal U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services laws | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | vi. Sherman Act or other federal anti-trust laws | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

- p. entered into an agreement to a voluntary exclusion from contracting with a federal, state or local governmental entity? Yes No
- q. a denial, decertification, revocation or forfeiture of Women's Business Enterprise, Minority Business Enterprise or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status? Yes No
- r. a rejection of a low proposal on a federal, state or local contract for failure to meet statutory affirmative action or Minority or Women's Business Enterprise or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status requirements on a previously held contract? Yes No
- s. a finding of non-responsibility by an agency or authority due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j? Yes No

For each YES answer to questions D.a-s above, provide details on additional pages regarding the finding, including but not limited to cause, current status, resolution, etc.

Vendor Name:

Vendor FEIN:

D. During the past three (3) years has the vendor failed to:

- a. File returns or pay any applicable federal, state or local government taxes? Yes No

If yes, identify the taxing jurisdiction, type of tax, liability year(s) and tax liability amount the company failed to file/pay and the current status of the liability.

- b. File returns or pay New York State Unemployment Insurance? Yes No

If yes, indicate the years the company failed to file/pay the insurance and the current status of the liability.

- E. Have any bankruptcy proceedings been initiated by or against the vendor or its affiliates within the past seven (7) years (whether or not closed) or is any bankruptcy proceeding pending by or against the vendor or its affiliates, regardless of the date of filing? Yes No

If yes, indicate if this is applicable to the submitting vendor or one of its affiliates:

If it is an affiliate, include the affiliate's name and FEIN:

Provide the court name, address and docket number:

Indicate if the proceedings have been initiated, remain pending or have been closed:

If closed, provide the date closed:

- F. Does the vendor have the financial resources necessary to fulfil the requirements of the proposed contract? Yes No

Vendor Name:

Vendor FEIN:

G. Certification:

State of:)
) ss:
County of:)

CERTIFICATION:

The undersigned, personally and on behalf of the vendor identified in questions B.a-c above, does hereby state and certify to Battery Park City Authority – State of New York that the information given above is true, accurate and complete. It is further acknowledged that Battery Park City Authority – State of New York will rely upon the information contained herein and in any attached pages for purposes of evaluating our company for vendor's responsibility for contract award and Battery Park City Authority – State of New York may, in its discretion, by means which it may choose, verify the truth and accuracy of all statements made herein. It is further acknowledged that intentional submission of false or misleading information may constitute a felony under Penal Law Section 175.35 or may constitute a misdemeanor under Penal Law Sections 175.30, or 210.45, and may also be punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment of up to five years under 18 USC Section 1001 and may result in a denial of contract award or contract termination.

Name of Business:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Officer Name:

Officer Title:

Signature of Officer

IV. CERTIFICATE OF NO CHANGE FORM

NOTE: You may fill out the “Certificate of No Change” form instead ONLY if your firm has submitted the Vendor Responsibility form to Battery Park City Authority already during this calendar year. If this is the first time your firm is proposing to do work for Battery Park City Authority this year, then you must fill out the entire Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire.

CERTIFICATE OF NO CHANGE

STATE OF ()

COUNTY OF) ss.:

The undersigned, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am _____, the _____ (title) of _____ (hereinafter the “Contractor”), which is currently submitting an amendment to a State Contract.
2. Contractor previously submitted the completed Battery Park City Authority Standard Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire, dated _____, in connection with another State Contract.
3. Attached is an accurate and true copy of such previously submitted Standard Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire.
4. I hereby certify that with the exception of the information specified in Question 12, and as changed herein, there has been no material change in the information pertaining to the Contractor specified on such attached Questionnaire.

AUTHORIZED CONTACT FOR THE PROPOSED CONTRACT:

Name & Title: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Signature

Print Name

Title

V. **STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION**

- A. By submission of this Proposal, Proposer and each person signing on behalf of Proposer certifies, (and in the case of a joint Proposal each party thereto certifies) as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his knowledge and belief:
- a. The prices in this Proposal have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other Proposer or with any competitor.
 - b. or with any competitor. B) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this Proposal have not been knowingly disclosed by the Proposer and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Proposer prior to opening, directly or indirectly to any other Proposer or to any competitor.
 - c. No attempt has been made or will be made by Proposer to induce any other person, partnership, firm or corporation to submit or not to submit a Proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- B. A Proposal shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made where sub-paragraphs A.a, A.b, and A.c above have not been complied with provided however, that if in any case Proposer cannot make the foregoing certification and the Proposer shall so state and shall furnish with its Proposal a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons therefore. Where sub-paragraphs A.a, A.b, and A.c above have not been complied with, Proposal shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made unless BPCA determines that such disclosure was not made for the purpose of restricting competition.
- The fact that a Proposer (a) has published price lists, rates, or tariffs covering items Being procured, (b) has informed prospective customers of proposed or pending Publication of a new or revised price lists for such item, or (c) has sold the same items To other customers at the same prices being proposed, does not constitute, without more, a disclosure within the meaning of paragraph A.a above.
- C. This Proposal, if made by a corporate Proposer, shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of the Proposer and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of the Proposal and the inclusion thereof of the statement of non-collusion as the act and deed of the corporation.

(Insert Name of Proposer and Sign Below)

By:

_____ (Print full legal name of person, firm, partnership, or corporation)

_____ (Signature)

_____ (Address)

_____ Corporate ID Number

_____ Federal ID Number

_____ Date

STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION Continued

If the Proposer is an individual, the Proposer's legal residence is as follows:

Street Address	City	State	ZIP
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If Proposer is a Firm or Partnership, complete the following:

Name of Members or Partners

Legal Residence

If Proposer is a Corporation, complete the following:

Names of All Officers

President:

Vice President:

Secretary:

Treasurer:

Other Officers/Titles (if applicable):

VI. OFFEROR'S AFFIRMATION OF UNDERSTANDING OF AND AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO STATE FINANCE LAW §139-j(3) AND §139-j(6)(b)

For reference, the applicable sections of the New York State Finance Law can be found here: <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/STF/139-J>

Offeror affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of Battery Park City relative to permissible Contacts as required by State Finance Law §139-j(3) and §139-j(6)(b).

By: _____ Date: _____

(Signature)

(Name – Printed)

(Title)

Contractor Name: _____
(Company)

Contractor Address: _____

VII. OFFEROR'S CERTIFICATION OF COMPLAINE WITH STATE FINANCE LAW §139-k(5)

For reference, the applicable sections of the New York State Finance Law can be found here:
<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/STF/139-K>

I certify that all information provided to Battery Park City Authority, its subsidiaries and affiliates with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

By: _____ Date: _____

(Signature)

(Name – Printed)

(Title)

Contractor Name: _____
(Company)

Contractor Address: _____

VIII. OFFEROR DISCLOSURE OF PRIOR NON-RESPONSIBILITY DETERMINATIONS

Name of Individual or Entity Seeking to Enter into the Procurement Contract:

Address:

Name and Title of Person Submitting this Form:

Project Name:

Date:

1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding of non-responsibility regarding the individual or entity seeking to enter into the Procurement Contract in the previous four years? Yes No

If yes, please answer the next questions:

2. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j? Yes No
3. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity? Yes No
4. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details regarding the finding of non-responsibility below:

Governmental Entity:
Date of Finding of Non-responsibility:
Basis of Finding of Non-Responsibility:
(add additional pages if required)

5. Has any Governmental Entity or other governmental agency terminated or withheld a Procurement Contract with the above-named individual or entity due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information? Yes No

If yes, please provide details below:

Governmental Entity:
Date of Termination or Withholding of Contract:

Basis of Termination or Withholding:
(add additional pages if required)

Offeror certifies that all information provided to the Governmental Entity with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

By: _____ Date: _____

(Signature)

(Name – Printed)

(Title)

Contractor Name: _____
(Company)

Contractor Address: _____

IX. ENCOURAGING USE OF NEW YORK STATE BUSINESSES IN CONTRACT PERFORMANCE

New York State businesses have a substantial presence in State contracts and strongly contribute to the economies of the state and the nation. In recognition of their economic activity and leadership in doing business in New York State, Proposers for this Contract for commodities, services or technology are strongly encouraged and expected to consider New York State businesses in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such partnering may be as subcontractors, suppliers, protégés or other supporting roles.

Proposers are strongly encouraged, to the maximum extent practical and consistent with legal requirements, to use responsible and responsive New York State businesses in purchasing commodities that are of equal quality and functionality and in utilizing services and technology. Furthermore, Proposers are reminded that they must continue to utilize small, minority and women-owned businesses, consistent with current State law.

Utilizing New York State businesses in State contracts will help create more private sector jobs, rebuild New York’s infrastructure, and maximize economic activity to the mutual benefit of the contractor and its New York State business partners. New York State businesses will promote the contractor’s optimal performance under the Contract, thereby fully benefiting the public sector programs that are supported by associated procurements.

Public procurements can drive and improve the State’s economic engine through promotion of the use of New York businesses by its contractors. The State therefore expects proposers/proposers to provide maximum assistance to New York businesses in their contracts. The potential participation by all kinds of New York businesses will deliver great value to the State and its taxpayers.

Proposers can demonstrate their commitment to the use of New York State businesses by responding to the question below. Each proposer must include a response to this question with their proposal. Please note that a “yes” response requires supporting information. If yes, identify New York State businesses that will be used and attach identifying information.

Will New York State businesses be used in the performance of this contract?

Yes No

X. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA FORM

RFP TITLE: _____

Complete Part I or Part II, whichever is applicable, and sign in Part III.

Part I

Listed below are the dates of issue for each Addendum received in connection with this RFP:

Addendum # 1, Dated _____, ____

Addendum # 2, Dated _____, ____

Addendum # 3, Dated _____, ____

Addendum # 4, Dated _____, ____

Addendum # 5, Dated _____, ____

Addendum # 6, Dated _____, ____

Part II Acknowledgement of No Receipt

_____ No Addendum was received in connection with this RFP

Part III

Proposer's Name: _____

Proposer's Authorized Representative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

XI. MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE/WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBW/WBE) UTILIZATION PLAN

Please fill out utilization plan for MBE/WBE(s) participation and use the same form for all additional MBE/WBE Firms.

Contractor Information:

Project Name:

Project No.:

Site #:

Date:

Name of Contractor:

Address:

Contact Person:

Phone:

Fax:

Federal ID No.:

Tax ID:

Is Your Firm: MBE WBE

Work to Begin:

Work to be Completed:

MBE/WBE Information:

Sub-Contractor or Vendor:

Name:

Address:

Contact Person:

Phone:

Fax:

Federal ID No.:

Tax ID:

Is This Firm: MBE WBE

Total Percent of Contract Holder %

Trade:

Scope of Work to be done by MBE/WBE:

Work to Begin:

Work to be Completed:

MBE/WBE Information:

Sub-Contractor or Vendor:

Name:

Address:

Contact Person:

Phone:

Fax:

Federal ID No.:

Tax ID:

Is This Firm: MBE WBE

Total Percent of Contract Holder %

Trade:

Scope of Work to be done by MBE/WBE:

Work to Begin:

Work to be Completed:

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE/WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBW/WBE)
UTILIZATION PLAN (continued)

The Minimum MBE/WBE Business Participation	Workforce Percentages set for this project is as
Goal Expected for your Firm is as Follows:	Follows:
Trade(s)	Trade(s)
Minority Owned Business %	Minority Workforce %
Women Owned Business %	Female Workforce %

Please attach copies of the most recent New York State Certification Letters for all MBE/WBE Firms Listed on this Utilization Plan. If there are any changes in the information on this plan you must immediately re-submit this plan with the most recent date.

XII. SERVICE DISABLED VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES (SDVOB) UTILIZATION PLAN

Please fill out utilization plan for SDVOB(s) participation and use the same format for all additional SDVOB sub-contractors.

Contractor Information

Contractor: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Federal ID No.: _____ Fax: _____

SDVOB Information

Sub-Contractor: _____ Federal ID No.: _____

Name: _____ Work to Begin _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Work to Finish On: _____

Contact Person: _____

Estimate % of Contract to be Awarded to SDVOB: _____

Scope of Work to be Done by SDVOB: _____

SDVOB Information

Sub-Contractor: _____ Federal ID No.: _____

Name: _____ Work to Begin _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Work to Finish On: _____

Contact Person: _____

Estimate % of Contract to be Awarded to SDVOB: _____

Scope of Work to be Done by SDVOB: _____

SDVOB Information

Sub-Contractor:

Federal ID No.:

Name:

Work to Begin

Address:

Phone:

Work to Finish On:

Contact Person:

Estimate % of Contract to be Awarded to SDVOB:

Scope of Work to be Done by SDVOB:

SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES (SDVOB) UTILIZATION PLAN (continued)

Workforce Percentage Information

Trade (s)

Minority Workforce: %

Female Workforce: %

XIII. MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

I, _____ (the “Contractor”), agree to adopt the following policies with respect to the project being developed at, or services rendered to, the Battery Park City Authority (“BPCA”).

MBE/WBE

This organization will and will cause its contractors and subcontractors to take good faith actions to achieve the MBE/WBE contract participations goals set by the State for that area in which the State-funded project is located, by taking the following steps:

- (1) Actively and affirmatively soliciting bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State certified MBEs or WBEs, including solicitations to MBE/WBE contractor associations.
- (2) Requesting a list of State-certified MBEs/WBEs from BPCA and soliciting bids from these MBEs/WBEs directly.
- (3) Ensuring that plans, specifications, request for proposals and other documents used to secure bids will be made available in sufficient time for review by prospective MBEs/WBEs.
- (4) Where feasible, dividing the work into smaller portions to enhance participations by MBEs/WBEs and encourage the formation of joint venture and other partnerships among MBE/WBE contractors to enhance their participation.
- (5) Documenting and maintaining records of bid solicitation, including those to MBEs/WBEs and the results thereof. The Contractor will also maintain records of actions that its subcontractors have taken toward meeting MBE/WBE contract participation goals.
- (6) Ensuring that progress payments to MBEs/WBEs are made on a timely basis so that undue financial hardship is avoided, and that bonding and other credit requirements are waived or appropriate alternatives are developed to encourage MBE/WBE participation.

EEO

(a) This organization will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, will undertake or continue existing diversity programs to ensure that minority group members are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State contracts.

(b) This organization shall state in all solicitation or advertisements for employees that in the performance of the State contract all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex disability or marital status.

(c) At the request of BPCA, this organization shall request that each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of this organization’s obligations herein.

(d) The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. The Contractor and subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

(e) This organization will include the provisions of sections (a) through (d) of this agreement in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each subcontractor as to work in connection with the State contract.

Agreed to this _____ day of _____

By _____

Print: _____ Title: _____

_____ is designated as the Consultant's Minority Business Enterprise Liaison responsible for administering the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises - Equal Employment Opportunity (MBE/WBE - EEO) program.

MBE/WBE Contract Goals

0% Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Participation

___ % Minority Business Enterprise Participation

___ % Women's Business Enterprise Participation

EEO Contract Goals (if applicable)

___ % Minority Labor Force Participation

___ % Female Labor Force Participation

(Authorized Representative)

Title: _____

Date: _____

XIV. Certification Under Executive Order No. 16 Prohibiting State Agencies and Authorities from Contracting with Businesses Conducting Business in Russia

Executive Order No. 16 provides that “all Affected State Entities are directed to refrain from entering into any new contract or renewing any existing contract with an entity conducting business operations in Russia.” The complete text of Executive Order No. 16 can be found [here: https://www.governor.ny.gov/executive-order/no-16-prohibiting-state-agencies-and-authorities-contracting-businesses-conducting](https://www.governor.ny.gov/executive-order/no-16-prohibiting-state-agencies-and-authorities-contracting-businesses-conducting).

The Executive Order remains in effect while sanctions imposed by the federal government are in effect. Accordingly, vendors who may be excluded from award because of current business operations in Russia are nevertheless encouraged to respond to solicitations to preserve their contracting opportunities in case the sanctions are lifted during a solicitation or even after award in the case of some solicitations.

As defined in Executive Order No. 16, an “entity conducting business operations in Russia” means an institution or company, wherever located, conducting any commercial activity in Russia or transacting business with the Russian Government or with commercial entities headquartered in Russia or with their principal place of business in Russia in the form of contracting, sales, purchasing, investment, or any business partnership.

Is Vendor an entity conducting business operations in Russia, as defined above? Please answer by checking one of the following boxes:

- 1. No, Vendor does not conduct business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.
- 2.a. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but has taken steps to wind down business operations in Russia or is in the process of winding down business operations in Russia. (Please provide a detailed description of the wind down process and a schedule for completion.)
- 2.b. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but only to the extent necessary to provide vital health and safety services within Russia or to comply with federal law, regulations, executive orders, or directives. (Please provide a detailed description of the services being provided or the relevant laws, regulations, etc.)
- 3. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that they are knowledgeable about the Vendor’s business and operations and that the answer provided herein is true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Vendor Name (Legal Entity): _____

By (Signature): _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

XV. Gender-Based Violence and the Workplace Certification

New York State Finance Law §139-M requires bidders on competitive state procurements to certify that they have a written policy addressing gender-based violence and the workplace and that such policy meets the following minimum requirements:

- **Share Information:** Employers must provide information regarding gender-based violence where employees can see and access it, including displaying the NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline information and a gender-based violence and the workplace poster.
- **Refer Employee-Survivors to Services:** The policy must require that the employer refer employees who disclose current or past victim status to the NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline and/or a local service provider. For bidders outside of New York State, referrals should be made to a local provider or statewide hotline. While referrals are required to be provided by the employer, it is not required for the employee to access services.
- **Prohibit Retaliation:** The policy must clearly state that discrimination or retaliation against employees who identify as victims or survivors of gender-based violence is prohibited.
- **Comply with Laws:** Ensure your policy follows State law. For employers based in New York State, this means that the policy must follow the SAFE Leave Act, New York State Human Rights Law, and any other relevant laws and regulations.
- **Offer Implementation Support:** OPDV is able to assist employers in developing and implementing this policy. Employers must provide information to supervisors and human resources, where available, about this technical assistance from OPDV. OPDV can be contacted at workplace@opdv.ny.gov.

By submission of this certification, each person signing on behalf of any organization certifies, and in the case of a joint submission each party thereto certifies its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that they have and have implemented a written policy addressing gender-based violence and the workplace.

Organization’s signature below certifies its compliance with State Finance Law §139-M.

Organization: _____

By (signature): _____

Name (Please Print): _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

This form must be signed by an authorized executive or legal representative.

If the organization cannot make the above certification, they must provide a statement with their bid detailing the reasons therefor:

EXHIBIT C

(Diversity Practices Questionnaire and Equal Employment Opportunities for Minority Group Members and Women)

NEW YORK STATE LAW

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations BPCA is required to promote opportunities for the maximum feasible participation of New York State-certified MBEs/WBEs (collectively, “MWBE(s)”) and the employment of minority group members and women in the performance of BPCA contracts. Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 17-B and 9 NYCRR §252, BPCA recognizes its obligation under the law to promote opportunities for maximum feasible participation of certified SDVOBs.

Business Participation Opportunities

For purposes of this solicitation, BPCA hereby waives the requirement for MBE, WBE and SDVOB participation goals based on the availability of subcontracting opportunities. Contractors remain encouraged to seek participation opportunities for MWBE and SDVOB firms to the extent possible. Proposals shall include a utilization plan(s) which can be found in Exhibit B.

EXHIBIT D

(List of BPCA & BPCPC Board Members and Employees)

LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS

Donald Capoccia
Martha Gallo
Anthony Kendall
Catherine McVay Hughes
Lester Petracca
Clinton Plummer
Angela Pinsky

List of employees as of 01-23-2026

Afzal, Betzayda M.
Afzal, Curtis
Alexander, Danah
Alvarez, Elsa C.
Anders, Dana J.
Anderson, Conrad J
Babb, David
Baichu, Sharmila
Baki, Muriel Barnett
Baptiste, Marie R
Beaver, Rebecca
Beecham, Brett D.
Belliard, Freddy
Bender, Marieke E
Benon, Yipin K.
Berendschot, Octavie
Bergen, Zachary
Best, Jacqueline
Blake, Nidia Xcenia
Bonnely, Sully
Buivid, Nancy
Buquicchio, Anthony
Campbell, Peter M.
Caraballo, Angel
Centeno, Monica
Chen, David
Cho, Terence
Cid, Alexis Torres
Cogan, Jonathan William
Compaan, Jason

Curtin, Sarah F
Davis, Elizabeth Nelson
De Padua, Gilbert
Diaz, Ismael
Diaz-Larui, Paul N.
Dickson, Daniel Allen
Dopson, Tonia T.
Eggleston, Terrence
Ellison, AnnMaria
Flores, Tamara G.
Fonseca, Juan
Fortune, Dennis
Frederick, Pamela M.
Fuhrman, Heather
Gallagher, James J.
Gonzalez, Anatasia I.
Gregg, Evelyn
Gross, Jonathan A
Gutin, Dmitriy
Hansen, Robert T.
Harper, Justin
Heerah, Sankar
Hernandez, Raul
Hoey, Brendan
Hood, Megan
Howard, Angela M.
Hudon, Craig A.
Jogie, Amy S.
Johnson, Jasmine Mikayla
Jones, Gamal A
Jones, Saladin
Julien, Ebonique M.
Kimpolo Nkaya, Zag Legrand
Koenig, Karl H.
Lalama Moreno, Cristina Alexandra
Lei, Jeffrey
Leon, Boris
Lerner, Marianna
Lima, Triny
Liu, Johnny
Lopcy, Rene J.
Lopez, Janira C
Magana, Maria
Maggi, Michael

Maggi, Robert
Maisonet, Evelin
Mann, Rajinder
Martinez, Eric
Martinez, Maria
McNeill, Princess K.
Mesine-Michael, Vanessa
Metal, Rami
Mikati, Rayyan
Miranda, Doreen
Mohammed, Ronnie
Moukettis, Irene
Murray, Ryan Patrick
Murtha, Lauren M.
Nathan, Jahmeliah E.
Ngo, Jane Anh
O'Toole, Kevin
Ortiz, Maril E.
Paillant, Willem
Palma, Ma Enore
Parker, Jonathan J
Patel-Haribaran, Nimisha
Pearlman, Gladys
Pena , Carlen
Pimentel, Rynell
Powell, Katherine
Rachnowitz, Jason
Ramirez, Madelin G.
Ramos, Joel
Reynolds, Aline E
Rhoades, Takoda
Richards, Kwame
Rivera, Angel
Rivera, Manuel
Rivera, Ruben
Rufino, Joel
Russell, Paul C
Sanders, Monica
Santiago, Carlos
Saul, Kimberlae
Sbordone, Nicholas T
Schwartz, Jean
Sewraj-Kumar, Rekha
Simon, Sean A.

Singh, Kemnarine
Smedley, Sarah J.
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Striggles, Patricia Antionette
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EXHIBIT E-1

(Cost Proposal Submission Form)

COST PROPOSAL

(Proposer to submit executed Cost Proposal on its letterhead)

Battery Park City Authority
One World Financial Center – 24th Floor
New York, New York 10281

Attention: Ms. Jennifer Wisnewski
Designated Contact

Dear Ms. Wisnewski:

The undersigned (the “Proposer”) hereby proposes to provide all specified work necessary to provide all work specified in Exhibit A for the **Implementation of the BPC Urban Estuary Habitat Monitoring Program in Pier A Inlet**, and agrees to commence the Services immediately upon receipt of an Initial Letter of Intent or executed contract for the sums written below.

A. Base Proposal

A total not-to-exceed amount of \$ _____ (_____ Dollars and _____ Cents) to perform all work as described in, and associated with, Exhibit A (inclusive of amounts in Items B and C, below).

B. Itemized Proposal

Provide a breakdown for the total proposed NTE amount for all Work in Exhibit A. **PLEASE SUBMIT THIS BREAKDOWN ON YOUR OWN FORM.**

C. Form of Technical Salary Rates

Technical salary rate ranges for all categories of personnel and areas of specialty, according to the attached Technical Salary Rates Sheet (Exhibit E-2), together with a Multiplier covering benefits, burdens, and all overhead and profit.

D. Reimbursable Expenses

A total not-to-exceed amount of \$ _____ (_____ Dollars and _____ Cents) for any reimbursable costs to be incurred in performing the work as described in Exhibit A.

Name of Proposer: _____

By: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT E-2
FORM OF TECHNICAL SALARY RATES

Proposers shall complete the table below by listing all appropriate titles/functions necessary to ensure the highest quality work. Hourly rates shall be fully burdened and inclusive of all costs, including overhead and profit.

TITLE/FUNCTION	HOURLY RATE (\$/hour)

Proposers shall propose an annual escalation rate for this multi-year contract. Annual escalation rates shall not exceed 3%.

ESCALATION RATE ___%

EXHIBIT F

(BPCA Sample Form of Contract)

CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

between

HUGH L. CAREY BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY

and

Contract No.

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CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) by and between BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY d/b/a HUGH L. CAREY BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY, (“BPCA,” the “Authority” or “Owner”), a body corporate and politic, constituting a public benefit corporation, having a place of business at 200 Liberty Street, 24th Floor, New York, New York 10281, and [COMPANY], formed under the laws of the State of [INCORP. STATE], having an office at [CITY, STATE AND ZIP] (the “Consultant”).

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, Owner has fee title to certain real property located in the City, County and State of New York, generally known as Battery Park City; and

WHEREAS, Owner has developed Battery Park City, in individual parcels, with the goal of creating a richly diversified mixed use community providing residential and commercial space with related amenities such as parks, plazas, recreational areas and a waterfront esplanade; and

WHEREAS, Owner intends to retain the services of Consultant to perform [**describe services to be performed**] (the “Project”), and Consultant desires to perform such services for Owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein contained, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Scope of Work

Consultant shall perform the services described in the Scope of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “Work”). All Work shall be completed in accordance with the requirements furnished to Consultant by Owner, and shall be completed to Owner’s satisfaction.

2. Time for Performance

Consultant shall perform the Work as expeditiously as is consistent with professional skill and the orderly progress of the Work, and in accordance with any schedule set forth in the attached Scope of Work. If a schedule approved by Owner is incorporated into this Agreement, said schedule shall not be exceeded by Consultant, except for reasonable cause. The term of this Agreement shall begin as of the date that it is fully executed (the “Commencement Date”) and shall terminate not later than [DATE TERM ENDS] (the “Expiration Date”) (such period from the Commencement Date to the Expiration Date is referred to herein as the “Term”) unless this Agreement is otherwise terminated as hereinafter provided. Consultant shall complete the Scope of Work on or before [DATE], unless the time for performance of the Work is extended by written agreement of Consultant and Owner.

3. Compensation

(a) Owner shall pay, and Consultant agrees to accept as full compensation for all Work performed under this Agreement, the not-to-exceed amount of [\$\$\$\$\$] (the “Fee”), paid in accordance with the rates (the “Rates”) attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Fee includes any and all reimbursable expenses, which shall not exceed [\$\$\$\$\$] (the “Reimbursable Amount”), incurred by Consultant in performing the Work.

(b) Any reimbursable expenses shall be paid in accordance with Owner’s standard policies for reasonable expenses actually incurred by Consultant in connection with the performance of the Work. Consultant shall submit copies of receipts or other supporting

documentation for any qualifying expenses incurred.

(c) Consultant shall submit monthly requests for payment (each, an “Invoice”) to Owner that shall:

(i) include the name, address, and telephone number of Consultant;

(ii) be accompanied by time sheets, in substantially the form provided in Exhibit C (“Form of Time Sheet”), attached hereto and made part hereof, containing a description of the work performed and indicating hours worked in each billing category; and

(iii) reference the project for which services were rendered.

(d) Owner shall pay Consultant in accordance with Owner’s Prompt Payment Policy, a copy of which can be found at: <http://bpca.ny.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/BPCA-Prompt-Payment-Policy-Fiscal-Year-2017.pdf>. Any item(s) of Work indicated in any Exhibit hereto as attributable to a specific phase of the Work that is not performed during the specified phase shall not be compensated by Owner, but payment for any such items of Work shall remain available to Consultant if, with Owner’s advance approval, such Work is actually performed during a subsequent phase of the Work, subject to the provisions of this Article 3 and Owner’s approval of any request for payment. Owner may withhold from any payment an amount equal to any costs or damages incurred by Owner as a result of Consultant’s negligence or breach of this Agreement.

(e) All Invoices should be submitted electronically to bpcafinanceops@bpca.ny.gov and addressed as follows:

Office of the Treasurer

Battery Park City Authority
d/b/a Hugh L. Carey Battery Park City Authority
200 Liberty Street, 24th Floor

New York, NY 10281-1097

Attn.: Accounts Payable

A duplicate copy is to be sent to the attention of [PROJECT MANAGER, TITLE] at [EMAIL ADDRESS].

4. Increase and Decrease in the Scope of Consultant’s Work

Owner shall have the right to make changes to, increase or reduce the scope of Work, or extend the Term or any date set forth in the schedule referenced in Section 2 *supra*, at any time and for any reason, upon written notice to Consultant specifying the nature and extent of such changes. If Consultant believes that any work it has been directed to perform by Owner is beyond the scope of Work set forth in this Agreement and constitutes extra work, Consultant shall so notify Owner within ten (10) business days. Owner shall determine whether or not such work is in fact beyond the scope of the Work and is considered extra work. If Owner determines that such work constitutes extra work to Consultant or any Subconsultant (as defined in Section 25 of this Agreement), Owner will pay Consultant any additional reimbursable expenses approved pursuant to Owner’s policy for reimbursable expenses, and such additional

compensation only as mutually agreed in writing by Owner and Consultant at the time of such change.

5. Consultant Cooperation

(a) Consultant shall work with such firms or individuals as Owner shall designate from time to time in connection with the Work, and agrees to meet with such firms or individuals at such times as Owner may require in order to maintain an ongoing review process so as to expedite determinations and approvals required to be made in connection with the Work.

(b) Consultant shall render any assistance that Owner may require with respect to any claim or action arising from or in any way relating to Consultant's services during or subsequent to the Term of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, review of claims, preparation of technical reports and participation in negotiations, both before and after Consultant has completed performance of the Work under this Agreement and without any additional compensation therefor.

6. Termination

(a) *Termination for Convenience.* Owner, at any time, may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part. Any such termination shall be effected by mailing or delivering to Consultant a written notice of termination specifying the extent to which performance of the Work under this Agreement is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. Upon receipt of the notice of termination, Consultant shall act promptly to minimize any expenses resulting from said termination. Owner shall pay Consultant the costs actually incurred by Consultant, including any Fee for Work actually and satisfactorily performed up to the effective date of the termination, but in no event shall Consultant be entitled to compensation in excess of the total consideration of this Agreement. In the event of such a termination, Owner may take over the Work and prosecute same to completion by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and utilize such work product, materials, appliances, and plant as may be on the site and necessary or useful to complete the Work. Except as otherwise provided herein, all of Owner's liability hereunder shall cease and terminate as of the effective date specified in such notice of termination.

(b) *Termination for Cause.* Owner may terminate this Agreement for cause if:

(i) Consultant shall fail to diligently, timely and expeditiously perform any of its obligations as set forth in the Agreement;

(ii) Any representation or warranty made or deemed to have been made under this Agreement by Consultant shall prove to be untrue in any material respect;

(iii) Consultant shall make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or a receiver or trustee shall have been appointed on account of Consultant's insolvency, or Consultant otherwise shall be or become insolvent, or an order for relief shall have been entered against Consultant under Chapter 7 or Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code;

(iv) a breach of any covenant or agreement contained in Section 16 of this Agreement or any other section of this Agreement shall occur; or

(v) Consultant otherwise shall be in default hereunder;

by serving written notice upon Consultant of Owner's intention to terminate this Agreement. Such notice shall state: (1) the reason(s) for Owner's intention to terminate the Agreement, and (2) the effective date of termination, to be not less than three (3) calendar days after the date of the notice of termination. If Consultant shall fail to cure the reason(s) for termination or make arrangements satisfactory to Owner on or before the effective date of termination, this Agreement shall terminate on the date specified by Owner in the notice of termination. In the event of any such termination, Owner may take over the Work and prosecute same to completion by contract or otherwise, for the account and at the expense of Consultant, and Consultant shall be liable to Owner for all costs incurred by Owner by reason of said termination. In the event of such termination, Owner may take possession of and utilize such work product, materials, appliances, and plant as may be on the site and necessary or useful to complete the Work. Upon Owner's completion of the Work following a termination for cause, Consultant shall be entitled to such amount of the Fee that has not theretofore been paid to Consultant and that shall compensate Consultant for all Work actually and satisfactorily performed by it up to the date of termination, provided, however, that Owner shall deduct from any amount all additional costs and expenses that Owner may incur over those which Owner would have incurred in connection with the Work if Owner had not so terminated this Agreement for cause. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall limit in any manner any and all rights or remedies otherwise available to Owner by reason of a default by Consultant under this Agreement, including, without limitation, the right to seek full reimbursement from Consultant for all costs and expenses incurred by Owner by reasons of Consultant's default hereunder and which Owner would not have otherwise incurred if Consultant had not defaulted hereunder.

(c) Upon any termination of this Agreement in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6, Consultant shall, with respect to the Work which is the subject of such termination:

(i) discontinue all its services from and after the date of the notice of termination, except to attempt to cure any reason(s) for termination or as may be required to complete any item or portion or services to a point where discontinuance will not cause unnecessary waste of duplicative work or cost;

(ii) cancel, or if so directed by Owner, transfer to Owner all commitments and agreements made by Consultant relating to the Work, to the extent same are cancelable or transferable by Consultant;

(iii) transfer to Owner in the manner, to the extent, and at the time directed by Owner, all work product, supplies, materials and other property produced as a part of, or acquired in the performance of the Work; and

(iv) take other actions as Owner may reasonably direct.

(d) In the event that Consultant, having been terminated, thereafter obtains a determination, in a judicial or other action or proceeding, that such termination was unwarranted, without basis, or invalid for any reason, then the termination shall be deemed to have been one for the convenience of Owner and Consultant shall be entitled to be reimbursed and paid as provided in Subsection 6(b) but to no other payments or damages.

7. Suspension

Owner may, at any time and for any reason, order Consultant in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt performance of all or any part of the Work for a reasonable period of time as the Owner may determine. Upon receipt of a suspension order, Consultant shall, as soon as practicable, cease performance

of the Work as ordered and take immediate affirmative measures to protect such Work from loss or damage. Consultant specifically agrees that such suspension, delay or interruption of the performance of Work pursuant to this Section 7 shall not increase the cost of performance of the Work of this Agreement. Owner may extend the Term or any date set forth in schedule referenced in Section 2 *supra*, to compensate Consultant for lost time due to suspension, delay or interruption, and such time extension shall be Consultant's sole compensation for same. Consultant shall resume performance of such Work upon the date ordered by Owner.

8. Assignment

(a) Consultant shall not by agreement, operation of law, or otherwise, assign, encumber, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of this Agreement to any entity or person, in whole or in part, including but not limited to an assignment, transfer or conveyance by change in the control or change in the ownership of the Consultant or a change in control or change in the ownership of any entity owning or controlling the Consultant, without the prior written consent of Owner, which consent may be withheld, conditioned or delayed in the Owner's sole discretion. A "change in control" includes, but is not limited to, any change in the ownership or control of the Consultant or any entity owning or controlling the Consultant, whether such change results from a merger, or a sale, assignment or transfer of stock, or a sale of assets, or a sale, transfer or assignment of assets to an affiliate or subsidiary, or a sale, transfer or assignment of assets to an affiliate or subsidiary with a subsequent sale or transfer of such affiliate or subsidiary, or a transfer or change in control by contract or other such agreement.

(b) Any action by the Contractor which violates the provisions of section A, above, shall be deemed to be a material breach of the terms of this Agreement by the Consultant and Owner shall have all rights and remedies available to it under law and equity, including termination of the Agreement.

9. Ownership of Documents

(a) All material specifically prepared for the Project and excluding any intellectual property already owned by Consultant that is furnished by Consultant or any Subconsultants (including but not limited to all film, video, or digital assets, Hypertext Markup Language ("HTML") files, JavaScript files, flash files, etc.) in connection with the Work shall be deemed Works Made for Hire and become the sole property of Owner. Consultant shall provide a tangible copy of the Work to Owner in any form(s) to be specified by Owner. Such materials may be used by Owner, in whole or in part, or in modified form, for any and all purposes Owner may deem desirable without further employment of, or payment of any additional compensation to Consultant. Consultant hereby acknowledges that whatever participation Consultant has, or will have, in connection with any copyrightable subject matter that is the subject of the Work is and shall be deemed Work Made for Hire on behalf of the Owner and that the Owner shall be the sole owner of the Work, and all underlying rights therein, worldwide and in perpetuity. In the event that the Work, or any portion thereof, does not qualify or is deemed not to be Work Made for Hire, Consultant hereby irrevocably transfers and assigns to the Owner all of Consultant's right, title and interest, throughout the world, in and to the Work, including, without limitation, all of Consultant's right, title and interest in the copyrights to the Work, including the unrestricted right

to make modifications, adaptations and revisions to the Work and hereby waives any so-called “moral rights” with respect to the Work. Consultant grants to Owner a royalty free, worldwide perpetual, irrevocable, nonexclusive license to reproduce, modify, and publicly display the Work.

(b) Any plans, drawings, or specifications prepared by or on behalf of Consultant for the Project shall become property of Owner, and Consultant may not use same for any purpose not relating to the Project without Owner’s prior written consent. Consultant may retain such reproductions of plans, drawings or specifications as Consultant may reasonably require. Upon completion of the Work or the termination of this Agreement, Consultant shall promptly furnish Owner with a complete set of original record prints. All such original materials shall become property of Owner who may use them, without Consultant’s permission, for any proper purpose including but not limited to additions or completion of the Project.

10. Insurance

(a) Consultant shall procure and maintain all of the insurance required under this Section 10 during the Term of this Agreement, except with respect to Completed Operations coverage, as described in Section 10(g) below.

(b) Consultant shall not commence performance of the Work until Consultant has obtained, and required each Subconsultant to obtain, all the insurance required under this Section 10 and until it has furnished to Owner the certificate or certificates of insurance required by Section 10(c) hereof.

(c) Consultant shall furnish to Owner, before or upon execution of this Agreement, a certificate or certificates of the insurance required under this Section 10 and, upon Owner’s request, certified copies of the original policies of insurance, within the time period required by Owner and before commencing performance of the Work. Such certificate or certificates shall be in form satisfactory to Owner, and shall list the various coverages required under this Article 10. Consultant hereby certifies that the policy shall not be changed, canceled or reduced and that it shall be automatically renewed upon expiration and continued in force until two years after the Work is completed unless Owner is given 90 days’ written notice to the contrary. Such certificates shall also include riders providing that violation of any of the terms of any policy shall not by itself invalidate such policy. Such policies and certificates must name as additional insureds Owner, Battery Park City Parks Conservancy Corporation (“BPCPC”) and the State of New York.

(d) All insurance required to be procured and maintained must be procured from insurance companies that have a financial rating by A.M. Best Company as published in the most current key rating guide of A-:VII or better and which are authorized to do business in the State of New York.

(e) If at any time any of the required insurance policies should be canceled, terminated or modified so that insurance is not in effect as required, then Consultant shall suspend performance of the Work. If the Work is suspended then Owner may, at Owner’s option, obtain insurance affording coverage equal to that required herein and the cost of such insurance shall be payable by Consultant to Owner.

(f) All additional insured protection afforded Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be on a primary and non-contributory basis and all policies must include a waiver of subrogation in favor of Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York.

(g) Consultant and Subconsultants shall secure in a form satisfactory to Owner the following:

(i) Worker's Compensation, Employer's Liability insurance (including United States Longshoreman & Harbor Workers and Jones Act coverages if required) and Disability Benefits during the Term, at not less than the statutory limits, for the benefit of such employees as are required to be insured by the applicable provisions of law and voluntary compensation for employees excluded from statutory benefits.

(ii) Commercial General Liability insurance, as follows:

(A) Coverage must be written on ISO Form CG 00 001 or its equivalent and with no modification to the contractual liability coverage provided therein, and shall be provided on an occurrence basis with limits not less than:

- \$1,000,000 per occurrence
- \$2,000,000 General Aggregate, which must apply on a per project basis
- \$2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations aggregate

(B) Owner, BPCPC and the State of New York must be protected as additional insureds with coverage at least as broad as the combination of the most recent editions of ISO Forms CG 20 26 and CG 20 37 on policies held by the Consultant and any of its Subconsultants. Subconsultants may not use blanket additional insured endorsements to provide additional insured protection to Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York "by written contract" but must use ISO Form CG 20 38 or its equivalent. The policy must provide coverage for defense and indemnification of claims and/or lawsuits, including third party actions, claims and/or lawsuits for bodily injury to the employees of Consultant or Subconsultants arising from the injured worker's employment with the Consultant or any of its Subconsultants

(C) Consultant and any of its Subconsultants must maintain Products/Completed Operations coverage for no less than three years after the Work is completed and continue to include Additional Insured protection for Owner, BPCPC & the State of New York for the prescribed timeframe and coverage shall contain, in addition to any other provisions required hereby, a provision that the policy shall not be changed, canceled or reduced. As a condition precedent to the making of final payment, Consultant shall furnish Owner with a then current certificate of insurance that confirms the Completed Operations coverage is in effect.

(D) When providing evidence of this insurance the Consultant and any of its Subconsultants must include a completed Acord 855 NY form.

(iii) Automobile Liability insurance covering the use in connection with the Work of all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles. The coverage must protect Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York as additional insureds under such policy and shall not be less than a \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit

(iv) Professional Liability (“Errors and Omissions”) insurance must be maintained at a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

(v) Data Breach and Privacy/Cyber Liability Insurance including coverage for failure to protect confidential information and failure of the security of Consultant’s computer systems or Owner’s/BPCPC’s systems due to the actions of Consultant which results in unauthorized access to Owner’s and/or BPCPC’s data. The limit applicable to this policy shall be no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and must apply to incidents related to the cyber theft of Owner’s and BPCPC’s property, including but not limited to, money and securities. Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be protected as additional insureds on policies held by Consultant and any of its Subconsultants.

(vi) Technology Errors and Omissions insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for damages arising from computer-related services including, but not limited to, the following:

- Consulting;
- Data processing;
- Programming;
- System integration;
- Hardware or software development;
- Installation;
- Distribution or maintenance;
- Systems analysis or design;
- Training; and
- Staffing or other support services.

The policy shall include coverage for third party fidelity including cyber theft and protect Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York as additional insureds.

(vii) Valuable Papers insurance insuring, for the benefit of Consultant and Owner, all plans, designs, drawings, specifications, and documents used under this Agreement by Consultant in a total amount of not less than **[amount]**. Consultant may furnish full coverage under one policy, or may submit separate policies from any Subconsultant(s) for their proportionate shares of such coverage.

(viii) Comprehensive Crime/Employee Dishonesty insurance in a reasonable amount or an amount which is customary in the applicable industry, trade or profession. Coverage must extend to Third Parties.

(ix) Umbrella Liability insurance in an amount needed to ensure compliance with the limits set forth in this Section, but in no event to be less than **[amount]**. Owner, BPCPC, and the State of New York must be protected as additional insureds on policies held by the Consultant and any of its Subconsultants.

(h) The insurance required under subsections 10(g)(ii) and (iii) shall provide that the insurance company or an attorney approved and retained by the insurance company shall defend any suit or proceeding against Owner or any officers, agents or employees of Owner whether or not such suit is groundless, false or fraudulent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Owner shall have

the right to engage its own attorneys for the purpose of defending any suit or proceeding against it or its respective officers, agents or employees, and, in such event, Consultant shall, indemnify Owner for all attorneys' fees and disbursements and other costs incurred by it arising out of, or incurred in connection with, any such defense.

(i) Owner, at Owner's cost and expense, may, at its sole option, procure and maintain such insurance as shall in the opinion of Owner, protect Owner from contingent liability of Owner to others for damages arising from bodily injury, including death and property damages which may arise from operations under this Agreement. The procurement and maintenance of such insurance by Owner shall not in any way be construed or be deemed to relieve Consultant from, or to be a limitation on the nature or extent of, such obligations and risk.

11. Authority of Owner

The Work shall be subject to the general supervision, direction, control and approval of Owner or its authorized representative(s), whose decision shall be final and binding upon Consultant as to all matters arising in connection with or relating to this Agreement. Owner shall determine all matters relative to the fulfillment of this Agreement on the part of Consultant and such determination shall be final and binding on Consultant.

12. Entire Agreement

This Agreement, including all Exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire Agreement between Owner and Consultant, and any prior agreements or understandings between Owner and Consultant with respect to any portion of the Work are hereby merged into and with this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any other agreement between Owner and Consultant, the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed to control.

13. Consultant as Independent Contractor

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Consultant's status shall be that of an independent contractor and not that of a servant, agent or employee of Owner. Accordingly, Consultant shall not hold itself out as, nor claim to be acting in the capacity of, an officer, agent, employee or servant of Owner.

14. Maintenance, Audit and Examination of Accounts

Consultant shall, until the earlier of six (6) years after completion of the performance of the Work or six (6) years after termination of this Agreement, maintain, and require all Subconsultants to maintain, complete and correct books and records relating to all aspects of Consultant's obligations hereunder, including without limitation, accurate cost and accounting records specifically identifying the costs incurred in performing their respective obligations, and shall make such books and records available to Owner or its authorized representatives for review and audit at all such reasonable times as Owner may request. In the event that Consultant and/or any Subconsultants shall fail to comply with the provisions of this Section 14, and as a result thereof shall be unable to provide reasonable evidence of such compliance, Owner shall not be required to pay any portion of the Fee and Reimbursable Expenses then due or next becoming due, as the case may be, with respect to such items, and if such compensation has already been paid, Owner may require Consultant to refund any such payment made. Any excessive audit costs incurred by Owner due to Consultant's or any Subconsultant's failure to maintain adequate records shall be borne by Consultant.

15. Acceptance of Final Payment; Release and Discharge

Final payment shall be made to Consultant upon satisfactory completion and acceptance by Owner of the Work required under this Agreement, or all Work performed prior to the termination of this Agreement if terminated pursuant to Section 6 hereof, and upon submission of a certification that all Subconsultants have been paid their full and agreed compensation. The acceptance by Consultant of the final payment under this Agreement, or any final payment due upon termination of this Agreement under Section 6 hereof, shall constitute a full and complete waiver and release of Owner from any and all claims, demands and causes of action whatsoever that Consultant, and/or its successors and assigns have, or may have, against Owner under the provisions of this Agreement, unless a detailed and verified statement of claim is served upon Owner prior to the date final payment is tendered by Owner. It is expressly understood and agreed that Owner's or Consultant's termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 6 hereof shall not give rise to any claim against Owner for damages, compensation or otherwise as a result of such termination, and that under such circumstances Owner's liability to make payments to Consultant on account of any and all Work shall be limited to the payments set forth in Section 6 hereof.

16. Covenants, Representations and Warranties

(a) Consultant represents and warrants to Owner that:

(i) no public official is directly or indirectly interested in this Agreement, or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work, labor or services to which it relates or in any of the profits thereof;

(ii) except as set forth in this Agreement, Consultant has, and shall have, no interest, direct or indirect, in the Project to which the Work relates; and

(iii) to the best of its knowledge, upon due inquiry, no officer, member, partner or employee of Consultant has, prior to the date of this Agreement, been called before a grand jury, head of a state agency, head of a city department or other city agency to testify in an investigation concerning any transaction or contract had with the State of New York, any political subdivision thereof, a public authority, or with any public department, agency or official of the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof, and refused to sign a waiver of immunity against subsequent criminal prosecution or to answer any relevant question concerning such transaction or contract.

(b) Consultant covenants and agrees that:

(i) recognizing that time for completion of the Work is of the essence, Consultant shall perform all of its obligations hereunder in a prompt and workmanlike manner and in accordance with the time periods for the Work set forth herein;

(ii) the personnel assigned and any Subconsultant(s) used by Consultant in the performance of the Work hereunder shall be qualified in all respects for such assignment, employment and use;

(iii) Consultant, in the performance of the Work, shall utilize the most efficient available methodology and technology for the purpose of reducing the cost and time of such performance;

(iv) Consultant shall comply with the provisions of all Federal, State and local

statutes, laws, rules, ordinances and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement;

(v) should any claim be made or any action be brought against the Owner that is in any way related to the Work, Consultant shall diligently render to Owner any and all assistance specified in Section 5 of this Agreement that may be required by Owner as a result thereof; and

(vi) Consultant shall not commit its personnel to, nor engage in, any other projects during the term of this Agreement to the extent that such projects may adversely affect the quality or efficiency of the Work or would otherwise be detrimental to the conduct and completion of the Work, and Consultant shall provide sufficient numbers of qualified personnel as shall be required to perform the Work in the time requested by Owner. Consultant shall comply with any reasonable request by Owner to remove and/or replace any of Consultant's personnel from the Project.

(c) The parties make mutual representations that to the best of their knowledge that any materials provided by either party for inclusion in the Work shall not infringe upon the copyright or trademark of any third party.

17. Indemnity

To the fullest extent allowed by law:

(a) Consultant shall be liable to, and shall indemnify Owner, each Member, officer, agent and employee of Owner for, and shall hold each of the foregoing harmless from and against, any and all claims, losses, damages, expense, penalties, costs or other liabilities, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, costs, disbursements and interest, arising out of the performance of the Work or Consultant's breach of this Agreement, including but not limited to any claim for personal injury, property damage or death, or any breach that results in the unauthorized use or disclosure of Owner's Confidential Information, except to the extent such claim arises solely as a result of Owner's negligence or willful act, and Consultant agrees that it shall defend any suit or action brought against Owner or any Member, officer, agent or employees of Owner that is based on any loss or liability or alleged loss or liability indemnified herein.

(b) Consultant shall be liable to, and shall indemnify Owner and each of the Members, officers, agents and employees of Owner for, and shall hold each of the foregoing harmless from and against, any and all claims made against any of the foregoing for infringement of any copyright, trademark or patent arising out of the use of any plans, designs and specifications furnished by Consultant in the performance of this Agreement.

18. Confidentiality

Consultant hereby agrees that data, recommendations, reports and other materials developed in the course of the Work are strictly confidential between Consultant and Owner and except as specifically provided herein, Consultant may not at any time reveal or disclose such data, recommendations or reports in whole or in part to any third party without first obtaining written approval from Owner.

19. Modification

This Agreement may not be modified, in whole or in part, unless in writing and executed by both

the Authority and the Consultant.

20. Waiver

Except as otherwise provided in Section 15 of this Agreement, the parties may waive any of their rights hereunder without invalidating this Agreement or waiving any other rights hereunder, provided, however, that no waiver of, or failure to enforce or exercise any provision of this Agreement shall affect the right of any party thereafter to enforce such provisions or to exercise any right or remedy in the event of any other breach or default, whether or not similar.

21. Severability

If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or entity, or circumstance shall, to any extent, be determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Agreement, or the application of such terms or provisions to persons, entities or circumstances other than those as to which it is held to be invalid or unenforceable, shall in no way be affected thereby and each term or provision of this Agreement shall be valid and binding upon the parties, and enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

22. New York Law/Forum Selection/Jurisdiction

This Agreement shall be construed under, and be governed by, the laws of the State of New York. All actions or proceedings relating, directly or indirectly, to this Agreement shall be litigated only in courts located within the County of New York. Consultant, any guarantor of the performance of its obligations hereunder (“Guarantor”) and their successors and assigns hereby subject themselves to the jurisdiction of any state or federal court located within such county, waive the personal service of any process upon them in any action or proceeding therein and consent that such process be served by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, directed to the Consultant and any successor at Consultant’s address hereinabove set forth, to Guarantor and any successor at the address set forth in the instrument of guaranty, and to any assignee at the address set forth in the instrument of assignment. Such service shall be deemed made two days after such process is so mailed.

23. Provisions Required by Law

Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be included in this Agreement shall be deemed to be included herein, and this Agreement shall read and shall be enforced as though such provision(s) and/or clause(s) were so included.

24. Notices

Any notice, approval, consent, acceptance, request, bill, demand or statement required or permitted to be given hereunder (a “Notice”) from either party to the other shall be in writing and transmitted either:

- (a) Via certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested;
- (b) By personal delivery; or
- (c) By expedited delivery services.

In addition to one or more of the transmission methods listed above and in the interest of expediency, notices may be contemporaneously submitted by e-mail, but by which itself alone will not be deemed sufficient notice.

Such notices shall be addressed as follows or to such different addresses as the parties may from time to time designate:

Battery Park City Authority

[INSERT	NAME	OF	CONTACT]
200	Liberty	Street,	24 th Floor
New	York,	NY	10281
[INSERT EMAIL ADDRESS]			

With a copy to:

General			Counsel
200	Liberty	Street,	Floor
New	York,	NY	10281
general.counsel@bpca.ny.gov			

[INSERT NAME OF CONSULTANT]

[insert contact info]

Either party may at any time change such address or add additional parties to receive a Notice by mailing, as aforesaid, to the other party a Notice thereof.

25. Approval and Use of Subconsultants

(a) Except as specifically provided herein, Consultant shall not employ, contract with or use the services of any consultants, contractors or other third parties (collectively, “Subconsultants”) in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of Owner to the use of each such Subconsultant, and to the agreement to be entered into between Consultant and any such Subconsultant. Consultant shall inform Owner in writing of any interest it may have in a proposed Subconsultant. No such consent by Owner, or employment, contract, or use by Consultant, shall relieve Consultant of any of its obligations hereunder.

(b) Consultant shall be responsible for the performance of the Work of any Subconsultants engaged, including the maintenance of schedules, coordination of their Work and resolutions of all differences between or among Consultant and any Subconsultants. It is expressly understood and agreed that any and all Subconsultants engaged by Consultant hereunder shall at all times be deemed engaged by Consultant and not by Owner.

(c) The fees of any Subconsultant retained by Consultant to perform any part of the Work required under this Agreement shall be deemed covered by the compensation stipulated in Section 3 above. Consultant shall pay its Subconsultants in full the amount due them from the proportionate share of each requisition for payment submitted by Consultant and paid by Owner. Consultant shall make payment to its Subconsultants no later than seven (7) calendar days after receipt of payment from Owner. Consultant shall indemnify, defend and hold Owner harmless with respect to any claims against Owner based upon Consultant’s alleged failure to make payments to Subconsultants for Work under this Agreement.

(d) Upon the request of Owner, Consultant shall cause any Subconsultant employed by the Consultant in connection with this Agreement to execute a copy of this Agreement, wherein such Subconsultant shall acknowledge that it has read and is fully familiar with the terms and provisions hereof and agrees to be bound thereby as such terms and provisions are or may be applicable to such Subconsultants.

26. Employment and Diversity

(a) General Provisions

(i) Owner is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”) for all contracts, as defined therein, with a value (1) in excess of \$25,000 for labor, services, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing or (2) in excess of \$100,000 for real property renovations and construction.

(ii) Consultant agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision herein and at no additional cost to Owner, to fully comply and cooperate with Owner in the implementation of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and the regulations promulgated thereunder. These requirements include equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women (“EEO”) and contracting opportunities for New York State-certified minority and women-owned business enterprises (“MWBES”). Consultant’s demonstration of “good faith efforts” pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8 shall be a part of these requirements. These provisions shall be deemed supplementary to, and not in lieu of, the nondiscrimination provisions required by New York State Executive Law Article 15 (the “Human Rights Law”) and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.

(b) Contract Goals

(i) For purposes of this Contract, Owner hereby waives goals for MBE, WBE and SDVOB participation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Authority reserves the right to implement goals during the Term of this Agreement if it deems feasible and appropriate. Consultant is in all cases encouraged to make good faith efforts to encourage participation by MBE, WBE and/or SDVOB firms where possible.

(c) Equal Employment Opportunity (“EEO”)

(i) The provisions of Article 15-A of the Executive Law and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder pertaining to equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women shall apply to this Agreement.

(ii) In performing the Agreement, Consultant shall:

(A) Ensure that each Consultant and Subconsultant performing work on the Agreement shall undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status. For these purposes, EEO

shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation.

(B) Consultant shall submit an EEO policy statement to Owner within seventy-two (72) hours after the date of the notice by Owner to award the Agreement to Consultant.

(C) If Consultant, or any of its Subconsultants, does not have an existing EEO policy statement, Owner may require Consultant or Subconsultant to adopt a model statement (see Exhibit D – Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement).

(D) Consultant's EEO policy statement shall include the following language:

(1) Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or marital status, will undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force.

(2) Consultant shall state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees that, in the performance of the contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

(3) Consultant shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union, or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of Consultant's obligations herein.

(4) Consultant will include the provisions of Sections 26.1(c)(ii)(D)(1) through (3), which provides for relevant provisions of the Human Rights Law, in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each Subconsultant as to the Work.

(iii) Workforce Utilization Report

(A) Consultant shall submit a Workforce Utilization Report (<https://dol.ny.gov/cfa-wdi-mwbe-workforce-utilization-report>) and shall require each of its Subconsultants to submit a Workforce Utilization Report, in such form as shall be required by Owner on a quarterly basis during the term of this Agreement.

(B) Separate forms shall be completed by Consultant and any Subconsultants.

(C) Pursuant to Executive Order #162, Consultants and Subconsultants are also required to report the gross wages paid to each of their employees for the work performed by such employees on the contract on a quarterly basis.

(iv) Consultant shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Consultant and its Subconsultants shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

27. Responsibility

(a) Consultant shall at all times during the Term of this Agreement remain responsible. Consultant agrees, if requested by Owner or Owner's designee, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.

(b) Owner or Owner's designee, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Agreement, at any time, when it discovers information that calls into question Consultant's responsibility. In the event of such suspension, Consultant will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, Consultant must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Activity under the Agreement may resume at such time as Owner or its designee issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Agreement.

(c) Upon written notice to Consultant, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate officials or staff of Owner, this Agreement may be terminated by Owner or Owner's designee at Consultant's expense where Consultant is determined by Owner or its designee to be non-responsible. In such event, Owner or its designee may complete the contractual requirements in any manner it deems advisable, and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

28. Interest of Others

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to give any person other than Owner and Consultant any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim. This Agreement shall be held to be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Owner and Consultant.

29. Executory Contract

It is understood by and between the parties hereto that this Agreement shall be deemed executory to the extent of the monies available to Owner and no liability on account thereof shall be incurred by Owner beyond monies available for the purpose thereof. In no event shall any claim be asserted under this Agreement by Consultant or any Subconsultant against any member, officer, employee, lessee, consultant or agent of Owner or the State of New York. By execution of this Agreement, Consultant agrees to look solely to Owner with respect to any claim that may arise.

30. Participation in International Boycott Prohibited

Consultant agrees, as a material condition of this Agreement, that neither Consultant nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated or is participating or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the provisions of the United States Export Administration Act of 1969, as amended, or the United States Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, or the Regulations of the United States Department of Commerce promulgated thereunder. This Agreement shall be rendered forfeited and void by the Comptroller of the State of New York if, subsequent to execution, such person, firm, partnership or corporation has been convicted of a violation of the provisions of either of such federal acts or such Regulations or has been found upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States to have violated the provisions of either of such federal acts or such Regulations.

31. MacBride Fair Employment Principles

If the amount payable to Consultant under this Agreement is greater than \$15,000, Consultant hereby certifies that it and/or any individual or legal entity in which it holds a 10% or greater ownership interest, and any individual or legal entity that holds a 10% or greater ownership in it, either have no business operations in Northern Ireland, or shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations they have in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles relating to nondiscrimination in employment and freedom of workplace opportunity regarding such operations in Northern Ireland, as set forth in Section 165(5) of the New York State Finance Law, and shall permit independent monitoring of their compliance with such Principles.

32. Limitation Periods

Any legal action or proceeding against Owner must be commenced no later than one (1) year after the earlier of: (a) the termination of this Agreement, or (b) the last day Consultant performed work physically at the site of the Work.

33. Iran Divestment Act

By signing this Agreement, each person and each person signing on behalf of any other party certifies, and in the case of a joint bid or partnership each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each person is not on the list created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of Section 165-a of the State Finance Law.

34. Termination for Failure to Disclose Under NYS Finance Law §139k

Owner reserves the right to terminate this Agreement in the event it is found that the certification filed by Consultant pursuant to New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, Owner may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Consultant in accordance with the written notification terms of this contract.

35. Comptroller's Approval

If this contract is considered an eligible contract as defined by Title 2 of NYCRR Part 206, it is subject to the New York State Comptroller's approval, and therefore shall not be valid and enforceable until that approval has been obtained. A contract is considered "eligible" as defined by Title 2 of NYCRR Part 206, if it is not a specifically exempt contract, is executed by a state authority on or after March 1, 2010 where the aggregate consideration under the contract may reasonably be valued in excess of one million dollars, AND the contract is either (1) awarded on a single-source basis, sole-source basis or pursuant to any other method of procurement that is not a competitive procurement OR (2) supported in whole or part with funds appropriated from the Community Projects Fund (007).

36. Binding Contract

A binding contract between the parties shall exist only if and at such time as both parties have executed this document.

37. Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one instrument, but the Agreement shall not be deemed effective unless signed by all parties. Electronic signatures, including digital signatures and signatures created by e-signature software, are considered legally binding and have the same force and effect as original, handwritten signatures.

38. Section Headings

Section headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be considered for any purpose in governing, limiting, modifying, construing or affecting the provisions of this Agreement and shall not otherwise be given legal effect.

39. Subordination of Terms in the Exhibits

In the event of a conflict between any provisions contained in this Agreement and any of the Exhibits, the more stringent requirement will control. In the event that none of the conflicting or inconsistent portions or provisions are clearly the more stringent, the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement shall supersede.

(SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, which shall be deemed to be fully executed as of the later of the two dates written below.

HUGH L. CAREY BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

[COMPANY]

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

EXHIBIT B

RATES

EXHIBIT D

M/WBE AND EEO POLICY STATEMENT

Consultant agrees to adopt the following policies with respect to the Work:

M/WBE

Consultant will and will cause its Subconsultants to take good faith actions to achieve participation by M/WBE firms by taking the following steps:

(a) Actively and affirmatively solicit bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State-certified MBEs or WBEs, including solicitations to M/WBE consultant associations.

(b) Request a list of State-certified M/WBEs from Owner and solicit bids from them directly.

(c) Ensure that plans, specifications, request for proposals and other documents used to secure bids will be made available in sufficient time for review by prospective M/WBEs.

(d) Where feasible, divide the work into smaller portions to enhance participation by M/WBEs and encourage the formation of joint ventures and other partnerships among M/WBE consultants to enhance their participation.

(e) Document and maintain records of bid solicitation, including those to M/WBEs and the results thereof. Consultant will also maintain records of actions that its Subconsultants have taken toward achieving M/WBE contract participation.

(f) Ensure that progress payments to M/WBEs are made on a timely basis so that undue financial hardship is avoided, and that bonding and other credit requirements are waived or appropriate alternatives developed to encourage M/WBE participation.

EEO

(a) This organization will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on Owner contracts.

(b) Consultant shall state in all solicitation or advertisements for employees that in the performance of the Owner contract all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex disability or marital status.

(c) At the request of Owner, Consultant shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of Consultant's obligations herein.

(d) Consultant shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Consultant and Subconsultants shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

(e) Consultant will include the provisions of sections (a) through (d) above in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each Subconsultant as to work in connection with Owner's contract.

Agreed to this _____ day of _____, _____

By: _____

Print: _____ Title: _____