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Federal Aviation
Administration

GRANT AGREEMENT

PART I – OFFER

Date of Offer September 11, 2015

Airport/Planning Area Hammond Northshore Regional

AIP Grant Number 3-22-0018-018-2015

DUNS Number 156162091

TO: City of Hammond
(herein called the “Sponsor”)

FROM: **The United States of America** (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, herein called the “FAA”)

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has submitted to the FAA a Project Application dated September 9, 2015, for a grant of Federal funds for a project at or associated with the Hammond Northshore Regional Airport, which is included as part of this Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the FAA has approved a project for the Hammond Northshore Regional Airport (herein called the “Project”) consisting of the following:

Rehabilitate Intersection of Runway 18/36 and Runway 13/31: Design Only

which is more fully described in the Project Application.

NOW THEREFORE, According to the applicable provisions of the former Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended and recodified, 49 U.S.C. 40101, et seq., and the former Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (AAIA), as amended and recodified, 49 U.S.C. 47101, et seq., (herein the AAIA grant statute is referred to as “the Act”), the representations contained in the Project Application, and in consideration of (a) the Sponsor’s adoption and ratification of the Grant Assurances dated March 2014, and the Sponsor’s acceptance of this Offer, and (b) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the Grant Assurances and conditions as herein provided,

THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay ninety (90) percent of the allowable costs incurred accomplishing the Project as the United States share of the Project.

This Offer is made on and **SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

CONDITIONS

1. **Maximum Obligation.** The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer is **\$365,769.00.**

The following amounts represent a breakdown of the maximum obligation for the purpose of establishing allowable amounts for any future grant amendment, which may increase the foregoing maximum obligation of the United States under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b):

\$0 for planning

\$365,769.00 for airport development or noise program implementation

\$0 for land acquisition.

2. **Ineligible or Unallowable Costs.** The Sponsor must not include any costs in the project that the FAA has determined to be ineligible or unallowable.
3. **Determining the Final Federal Share of Costs.** The United States' share of allowable project costs will be made in accordance with the regulations, policies and procedures of the Secretary. Final determination of the United States' share will be based upon the final audit of the total amount of allowable project costs and settlement will be made for any upward or downward adjustments to the Federal share of costs.
4. **Completing the Project Without Delay and in Conformance with Requirements.** The Sponsor must carry out and complete the project without undue delays and in accordance with this agreement, and the regulations, policies and procedures of the Secretary. The Sponsor also agrees to comply with the assurances which are part of this agreement.
5. **Amendments or Withdrawals before Grant Acceptance.** The FAA reserves the right to amend or withdraw this offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
6. **Offer Expiration Date.** This offer will expire and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs of the project unless this offer has been accepted by the Sponsor on or before **September 14, 2015**, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA.
7. **Improper Use of Federal Funds.** The Sponsor must take all steps, including litigation if necessary, to recover Federal funds spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal antitrust statutes, or misused in any other manner in any project upon which Federal funds have been expended. For the purposes of this grant agreement, the term "Federal funds" means funds however used or dispersed by the Sponsor that were originally paid pursuant to this or any other Federal grant agreement. The Sponsor must obtain the approval of the Secretary as to any determination of the amount of the Federal share of such funds. The Sponsor must return the recovered Federal share, including funds recovered by settlement, order, or judgment, to the Secretary. The Sponsor must furnish to the Secretary, upon request, all documents and records pertaining to the determination of the amount of the Federal share or to any settlement, litigation, negotiation, or other efforts taken to recover such funds. All settlements or other final positions of the Sponsor, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of such Federal share require advance approval by the Secretary.
8. **United States Not Liable for Damage or Injury.** The United States is not be responsible or liable for damage to property or injury to persons which may arise from, or be incident to, compliance with this grant agreement.
9. **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration And Universal Identifier.**
 - A. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM): Unless the Sponsor is exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, the Sponsor must maintain the currency of its information in the SAM until the Sponsor submits the final financial report required under this grant, or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the Sponsor review and update the information at least

annually after the initial registration and more frequently if required by changes in information or another award term. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM website (currently at <http://www.sam.gov>).

B. Requirement for Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Numbers

1. The Sponsor must notify potential subrecipient that it cannot receive a contract unless it has provided its DUNS number to the Sponsor. A subrecipient means a consultant, contractor, or other entity that enters into an agreement with the Sponsor to provide services or other work to further this project, and is accountable to the Sponsor for the use of the Federal funds provided by the agreement, which may be provided through any legal agreement, including a contract.
2. The Sponsor may not make an award to a subrecipient unless the subrecipient has provided its DUNS number to the Sponsor.
3. Data Universal Numbering System: DUNS number means the nine-digit number established and assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D & B) to uniquely identify business entities. A DUNS number may be obtained from D & B by telephone (currently 866-492-0280) or the Internet (currently at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>).

10. Electronic Grant Payment(s). Unless otherwise directed by the FAA, the Sponsor must make each payment request under this agreement electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System for Department of Transportation (DOT) Financial Assistance Awardees.

11. Informal Letter Amendment of AIP Projects. If, during the life of the project, the FAA determines that the maximum grant obligation of the United States exceeds the expected needs of the Sponsor by \$25,000 or five percent (5%), whichever is greater, the FAA can issue a letter to the Sponsor unilaterally reducing the maximum obligation. The FAA can also issue a letter to the Sponsor increasing the maximum obligation if there is an overrun in the total actual eligible and allowable project costs to cover the amount of the overrun provided it will not exceed the statutory limitations for grant amendments. If the FAA determines that a change in the grant description is advantageous and in the best interests of the United States, the FAA can issue a letter to the Sponsor amending the grant description.

By issuing an Informal Letter Amendment, the FAA has changed the grant amount or grant description to the amount or description in the letter.

12. Air and Water Quality. The Sponsor is required to comply with all applicable air and water quality standards for all projects in this grant. If the Sponsor fails to comply with this requirement, the FAA may suspend, cancel, or terminate this grant.

13. Financial Reporting and Payment Requirements. The Sponsor will comply with all federal financial reporting requirements and payment requirements, including submittal of timely and accurate reports.

14. Buy American. Unless otherwise approved in advance by the FAA, the Sponsor will not acquire or permit any contractor or subcontractor to acquire any steel or manufactured products produced outside the United States to be used for any project for which funds are provided under this grant. The Sponsor will include a provision implementing Buy American in every contract.

15. Maximum Obligation Increase For Nonprimary Airports. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b), as amended, the maximum obligation of the United States, as stated in Condition No. 1 of this Grant Offer:

- A. May not be increased for a planning project;
- B. May be increased by not more than 15 percent for development projects;

- C. May be increased by not more than 15 percent or by an amount not to exceed 25 percent of the total increase in allowable costs attributable to the acquisition of land or interests in land, whichever is greater, based on current credible appraisals or a court award in a condemnation proceeding.

16. Audits for Public Sponsors. The Sponsor must provide for a Single Audit in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. The Sponsor must submit the Single Audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System at <http://harvester.census.gov/facweb/>. The Sponsor must also provide one copy of the completed 2 CFR Part 200 audit to the Airports District Office.

17. Suspension or Debarment. The Sponsor must inform the FAA when the Sponsor suspends or debars a contractor, person, or entity.

18. Ban on Texting While Driving.

- A. In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, December 30, 2009, the Sponsor is encouraged to:
1. Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing any work for, or on behalf of, the Federal government, including work relating to a grant or subgrant.
 2. Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as:
 - a. Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
 - b. Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
- B. The Sponsor must insert the substance of this clause on banning texting while driving in all subgrants, contracts and subcontracts.

19. Trafficking in Persons.

- A. Prohibitions: The prohibitions against trafficking in persons (Prohibitions) that apply to any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity. This includes private Sponsors, public Sponsor employees, subrecipients of private or public Sponsors (private entity) are:
1. Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the agreement is in effect;
 2. Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the agreement is in effect; or
 3. Using forced labor in the performance of the agreement, including subcontracts or subagreements under the agreement.
- B. In addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to the FAA, Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)), allows the FAA to unilaterally terminate this agreement, without penalty, if a private entity –
1. Is determined to have violated the Prohibitions; or
 2. Has an employee who the FAA determines has violated the Prohibitions through conduct that is either:
 - a. Associated with performance under this agreement; or

- b. Imputed to the Sponsor or subrecipient using 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by the FAA at 49 CFR Part 29.

20. Pavement Maintenance Management Program. The Sponsor agrees that it will implement an effective airport pavement maintenance management program as required by Grant Assurance Pavement Preventive Management. The Sponsor agrees that it will use the program for the useful life of any pavement constructed, reconstructed, or repaired with federal financial assistance at the airport. The Sponsor further agrees that the program will

- A. Follow FAA Advisory Circular 150/5380-6, "Guidelines and Procedures for Maintenance of Airport Pavements," for specific guidelines and procedures for maintaining airport pavements, establishing an effective maintenance program, specific types of distress and its probable cause, inspection guidelines, and recommended methods of repair;
- B. Detail the procedures to be followed to assure that proper pavement maintenance, both preventive and repair, is performed;
- C. Include a Pavement Inventory, Inspection Schedule, Record Keeping, Information Retrieval, and Reference, meeting the following requirements:
 - 1. Pavement Inventory. The following must be depicted in an appropriate form and level of detail:
 - a. Location of all runways, taxiways, and aprons;
 - b. Dimensions;
 - c. Type of pavement, and;
 - d. Year of construction or most recent major rehabilitation.
 - 2. Inspection Schedule.
 - a. Detailed Inspection. A detailed inspection must be performed at least once a year. If a history of recorded pavement deterioration is available, i.e., Pavement Condition Index (PCI) survey as set forth in the Advisory Circular 150/5380-6, the frequency of inspections may be extended to three years.
 - b. Drive-By Inspection. A drive-by inspection must be performed a minimum of once per month to detect unexpected changes in the pavement condition. For drive-by inspections, the date of inspection and any maintenance performed must be recorded.
 - 3. Record Keeping. Complete information on the findings of all detailed inspections and on the maintenance performed must be recorded and kept on file for a minimum of five years. The type of distress, location, and remedial action, scheduled or performed, must be documented. The minimum information is:
 - a. Inspection date;
 - b. Location;
 - c. Distress types; and
 - d. Maintenance scheduled or performed.
 - 4. Information Retrieval System. The Sponsor must be able to retrieve the information and records produced by the pavement survey to provide a report to the FAA as may be required.

21. **Design Grant.** This grant agreement is being issued in order to complete the design of the project. The Sponsor understands and agrees that within 2 years after the design is completed that the Sponsor will accept, subject to the availability of the amount of federal funding identified in the Airport Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP), a grant to complete the construction of the project in order to provide a useful and useable unit of work. The Sponsor also understands that if the FAA has provided federal funding to complete the design for the project, and the Sponsor has not completed the design within four (4) years from the execution of this grant agreement, the FAA may suspend or terminate grants related to the design.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Project Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and this Offer and Acceptance shall comprise a Grant Agreement, as provided by the Act, constituting the contractual obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the assurances and conditions as provided herein. Such Grant Agreement shall become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer.

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**



(Signature)

Lacey D. Spriggs
(Typed Name)

Louisiana/New Mexico Airports District
Office
(Title)

PART II - ACCEPTANCE

The Sponsor does hereby ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Project Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer, and does hereby accept this Offer and by such acceptance agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions in this Offer and in the Project Application.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.¹

Executed this _____ day of _____.

City of Hammond

(Name of Sponsor)

(Signature of Sponsor's Designated Official Representative)

By:

(Typed Name of Sponsor's Designated Official Representative)

Title:

(Title of Sponsor's Designated Official Representative)

CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR'S ATTORNEY

I, _____, acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

That in my opinion the Sponsor is empowered to enter into the foregoing Grant Agreement under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Further, I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the actions taken by said Sponsor and Sponsor's official representative has been duly authorized and that the execution thereof is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the said State and the Act. In addition, for grants involving projects to be carried out on property not owned by the Sponsor, there are no legal impediments that will prevent full performance by the Sponsor. Further, it is my opinion that the said Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

Dated at _____ (location) this _____ day of

_____.

By:

(Signature of Sponsor's Attorney)

¹ Knowingly and willfully providing false information to the Federal government is a violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 (False Statements) and could subject you to fines, imprisonment, or both.

ASSURANCES

AIRPORT SPONSORS

A. General.

- a. These assurances shall be complied with in the performance of grant agreements for airport development, airport planning, and noise compatibility program grants for airport sponsors.
- b. These assurances are required to be submitted as part of the project application by sponsors requesting funds under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C., subtitle VII, as amended. As used herein, the term "public agency sponsor" means a public agency with control of a public-use airport; the term "private sponsor" means a private owner of a public-use airport; and the term "sponsor" includes both public agency sponsors and private sponsors.
- c. Upon acceptance of this grant offer by the sponsor, these assurances are incorporated in and become part of this grant agreement.

B. Duration and Applicability.

1. Airport development or Noise Compatibility Program Projects Undertaken by a Public Agency Sponsor.

The terms, conditions and assurances of this grant agreement shall remain in full force and effect throughout the useful life of the facilities developed or equipment acquired for an airport development or noise compatibility program project, or throughout the useful life of the project items installed within a facility under a noise compatibility program project, but in any event not to exceed twenty (20) years from the date of acceptance of a grant offer of Federal funds for the project. However, there shall be no limit on the duration of the assurances regarding Exclusive Rights and Airport Revenue so long as the airport is used as an airport. There shall be no limit on the duration of the terms, conditions, and assurances with respect to real property acquired with federal funds. Furthermore, the duration of the Civil Rights assurance shall be specified in the assurances.

2. Airport Development or Noise Compatibility Projects Undertaken by a Private Sponsor.

The preceding paragraph 1 also applies to a private sponsor except that the useful life of project items installed within a facility or the useful life of the facilities developed or equipment acquired under an airport development or noise compatibility program project shall be no less than ten (10) years from the date of acceptance of Federal aid for the project.

3. Airport Planning Undertaken by a Sponsor.

Unless otherwise specified in this grant agreement, only Assurances 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 13, 18, 25, 30, 32, 33, and 34 in Section C apply to planning projects. The terms, conditions, and assurances of this grant agreement shall remain in full force and effect during the life of the project; there shall be no limit on the duration of the assurances regarding Exclusive Rights and Airport Revenue so long as the airport is used as an airport.

C. Sponsor Certification.

The sponsor hereby assures and certifies, with respect to this grant that:

1. General Federal Requirements.

It will comply with all applicable Federal laws, regulations, executive orders, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application, acceptance and use of Federal funds for this project including but not limited to the following: