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ASSURANCE REGARDING FELONY CONVICTION OR TAX DELINQUENT STATUS FOR CORPORATE APPLICANTS

NOTE: *The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 55a – as amended). The authority for requesting the following information for USDA agencies and offices is in sections 744 and 745 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, P.L. 113-235, as amended and/or subsequently enacted. The information will be used to document compliance with appropriations restrictions.*

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Accordingly, by accepting this award the corporation recipient acknowledges: (1) that it does not have a Federal tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, **and** (2) that it has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarring official of the United States Department of Agriculture has considered suspension or debarment of the recipient corporation based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government. If the recipient fails to comply with these provisions, the agency will annul this agreement and may recover any funds the recipient has expended in violation of the above cited statutory provisions.

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE (BY)

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TITLE/RELATIONSHIP OF THE INDIVIDUAL IF SIGNING IN A REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY

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BUSINESS NAME

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DATE SIGNED (MM-DD-YYYY)

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