



E-VERIFY SYSTEM CERTIFICATION STATEMENT (UNDER SECTION 448.095, FLORIDA STATUTES)

1. Definitions:
 - a. **“Contractor”** means a person or entity that has entered or is attempting to enter into a contract with a public employer to provide labor, supplies, or services to such employer in exchange for salary, wages, or other remuneration. “Contractor” includes, but is not limited to, a vendor or consultant.
 - b. **“Subcontractor”** means a person or entity that provides labor, supplies, or services to or for a contractor or another subcontractor in exchange for salary, wages, or other remuneration.
 - c. **“E-Verify system”** means an Internet-based system operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security that allows participating employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

2. Effective January 1, 2021, Contractors, shall register with and use the E-verify system in order to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Contractor shall register for and utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of:
 - a. All persons employed by a Contractor to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the contract; and
 - b. All persons (including subvendors/subconsultants/subcontractors) assigned by Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract with the City of Pembroke Pines. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that registration and use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s E-Verify System during the term of the contract is a condition of the contract with the City of Pembroke Pines; and
 - c. Should vendor become the successful Contractor awarded for the above-named project, by entering into the contract, the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., “Employment Eligibility,” as amended from time to time. This includes, but is not limited to registration and utilization of the E-Verify System to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Contractor shall also require all subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract.

3. Contract Termination
 - a. If the City has a good faith belief that a person or entity with which it is contracting has knowingly violated s. 448.09 (1) Fla. Stat., the contract shall be terminated.
 - b. If the City has a good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly violated s. 448.095 (2), but the Contractor otherwise complied with s. 448.095 (2) Fla. Stat., shall promptly notify the Contractor and order the Contractor to immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor.
 - c. A contract terminated under subparagraph a) or b) is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such.
 - d. Any challenge to termination under this provision must be filed in the Circuit Court no later than 20 calendar days after the date of termination.
 - e. If the contract is terminated for a violation of the statute by the Contractor, the Contractor may not be awarded a public contract for a period of 1 year after the date of termination.

COMPANY NAME: _____

PRINTED NAME / AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____