

ATTACHMENT G

**ARPA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM
PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATION**

Grant Applicant: _____

Grant Number: ARWAI-G-(PWSID#) _____

We (the Grant Applicant and the undersigned Legal Counsel) understand that this Procurement Certification (hereinafter "Certification") is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed by the Mississippi State Department of Health (hereinafter "MSDH") regarding state financial assistance under House Bill 1421 of the Mississippi Legislature's 2022 Regular Session to construct the Rural Water Associations Infrastructure Grant project identified above.

We understand that we shall immediately provide written notice to MSDH if at any time we learn that this Certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

We certify that we have received, reviewed, and understand the state's law regarding procurement as it applies to local governments. We further understand that the ARPA Rural Water Associations Infrastructure Grant Program (ARWAIG) requires that all grant recipients (including water associations) must comply with State Purchasing Laws as they apply to local governments.

We understand that we must maintain all documents, papers, and records regarding all procurement and that any employee of the MSDH or its designated representatives has a right of access to any such documents, papers and/or record for purposes of review, audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

We further certify that the Grant Applicant has procured and will procure all professional services (e.g. engineering, observation, architectural, administrative, testing, financial, and legal) required for this project in accordance with state law and regulations as they apply to local governments.

We further certify that all applicable plans, specifications, contract documents, and purchase orders for construction, equipment, materials, and supplies for this project, including all subsequent change orders, have been and will be prepared, and all related work has been and will be procured in accordance with state public purchasing law, Section 31-7-1 through 73, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, as it applies to local governments.

We understand that MSDH may report violations and/or suspected violations to the appropriate state authorities in accordance with applicable state law and/or as determined appropriate by MSDH.

We understand that if MSDH discovers that any of the procurement requirements were violated or that the Grant Applicant rendered an erroneous Certification, in addition to all other remedies available, the State Health Officer, or his designee, may determine that the related costs are unallowable and may require repayment of all grant funds paid for such costs. We also understand that violations of the state public purchasing laws may subject us to further penalties as described in Sections 31-7-55, 31-7-57 and/or 97-7-10, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

As the Grant Applicant's authorized representative, I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information described herein and based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, believe the submitted information is true, accurate and complete.

Authorized Representative (Signature)

Legal Counsel (Signature)

Printed Name

Printed Name

Date

Date