

**LEGAL SERVICES  
AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING  
AUTHORITY**

**AND**

**COHN BIRNBAUM & SHEA, P.C.**

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This **LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT** (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2014 (the “Effective Date”) by and between the **MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY**, a body politic and corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the State of Connecticut, having its principal offices at 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103 (hereinafter “MIRA”) and **COHN BIRNBAUM & SHEA P.C.**, having a principal place of business at 100 Pearl Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103 (hereinafter “Consultant”).

## PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

**WHEREAS**, MIRA is the owner or lessee of certain pieces and parcels of real property located throughout the State of Connecticut (collectively, the “Properties”) upon which Properties MIRA owns and operates various solid waste management and/or disposal facilities (collectively, the “Facilities”); and

**WHEREAS**, MIRA now desires to enter into this Agreement with Consultant in order to have Consultant render certain legal services for MIRA in accordance with the Contract Documents (the “Project”);

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and representations contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows.

## 1. DEFINITIONS, CONSTRUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

### 1.1 Definitions

As used in this Agreement and in other Contract Documents (as defined herein) the following terms shall have the meanings as set forth below:

- (a) “**Addenda**” means written or graphic documents issued prior to the Statement Of Qualifications due date, which clarify, correct or change any or all of the Contract Documents.
- (b) “**Contract Documents**” means this Agreement (including all exhibits attached hereto), Notice To Firms – Request For Qualifications, Instructions To Firms, Addenda, Consultant’s Statement Of Qualifications (including all documentation accompanying such Statement Of Qualifications, all other documentation submitted in connection with such Statement Of Qualifications, and all post-Statement Of Qualifications documentation submitted prior to the Notice Of Award), Notice Of Award, and any written amendments to any of the Contract Documents.
- (c) “**Effective Date**” means the date set forth above in this Agreement.

- (d) **“Laws And Regulations”** means any and all applicable current or future laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, orders and permits of any and all federal, state and local governmental and quasi-governmental bodies, agencies, authorities and courts having jurisdiction.
- (e) **“Notice Of Award”** means written notification from MIRA to the apparently successful Statement Of Qualifications submitter which states that MIRA has accepted such submitter’s Statement Of Qualifications and sets forth the remaining conditions that must be fulfilled by submitter before MIRA executes the Agreement.

## 1.2 Construction And Interpretation

For purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth herein;
- (b) Whenever nouns or pronouns are used in this Agreement, the singular shall mean the plural, the plural shall mean the singular, and any gender shall mean all genders or any other gender, as the context may require;
- (c) Words that have well-known technical or trade meanings are used herein in accordance with such recognized meanings unless otherwise specifically provided;
- (d) All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with “generally accepted accounting principles,” and the term “generally accepted accounting principles” with respect to any computation required or permitted hereunder shall mean such accounting principles that are generally accepted as of the Effective Date of this Agreement;
- (e) The words “herein,” “hereof” and “hereunder” and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Section or Subsection;
- (f) Reference to any particular party shall include that party’s employees and the authorized agents of that party;
- (g) All references to agreements are references to the agreements as the provisions thereof that may be amended, modified or waived from time to time; and,
- (h) The captions contained in this Agreement have been inserted for convenience only and shall not affect or be effective to interpret, change or restrict the terms of provisions of this Agreement.

## 2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

### 2.1 Independent Legal Services

MIRA retains Consultant to render certain independent legal services to MIRA as detailed in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (collectively, the “Services”) and as identified as the following categories:

- (a) Environmental Law Services
- (b) Real Estate/Planning & Zoning Services
- (c) Energy Law/Department of Public Utility Control Services
- (d) Litigation Services
- (e) Employment Law Services
- (f) Solid Waste Industry Legal Services

### 2.2 Direction of Services

MIRA may, where necessary or desired, provide Consultant with instructions, guidance and directions in connection with Consultant’s performance of the Services hereunder.

### 2.3 Performance And Completion Of Services

Consultant agrees to perform the Services as an independent Consultant, consistent with:

- (a) Any and all instructions, guidance and directions provided by MIRA to Consultant;
- (b) The Contract Documents;
- (c) Sound legal practices;
- (d) The highest prevailing applicable professional level of care and skill exercised by members of the legal field practicing under similar conditions and circumstances;
- (e) All Laws And Regulations; and
- (f) Any Request (as hereinafter defined) pursuant to which such Services are rendered.

Items (a) through (f) above are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Standards.”

## 2.4 Lobbying And Paying Finder's Fees

Pursuant to the *Connecticut General Statutes*, MIRA is prohibited from retaining or hiring a lobbyist as defined in section 1-91 of the *Connecticut General Statutes* or paying a finder's fee for any Services provided to MIRA. Therefore, Consultant shall not provide MIRA any lobbying services, or receive, pay, or distribute any finder's fees under this Agreement.

## 2.5 Access

In the event that Consultant requires access to any Facility or Property in order to perform any of the Services hereunder, MIRA hereby grants to Consultant, during the Facilities' normal hours of operation, access to only those areas of the Properties necessary for Consultant to perform the Services hereunder, provided that:

- (a) Consultant shall not interfere with any other operations or activities being conducted at such Facility or on such Property by either MIRA or any other person or entity;
- (b) Consultant directly coordinates with an Authorized Representative of MIRA (as hereinafter defined) on such access; and
- (c) Consultant is in compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

MIRA reserves the right to revoke the access granted to Consultant herein if Consultant fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions of access.

## 2.6 Authorized Representative Of MIRA

Consultant will only perform Services upon request from an Authorized Representative of MIRA. For purposes of this Agreement, the terms "Authorized Representative of MIRA" or "Authorized Representative" shall mean MIRA's President (the "President"), MIRA's Director of Legal Services (the "Director Of Legal Services") or any person designated in writing to Consultant by the President or the Director Of Legal Services. Any Services performed at the request of anyone who is not an Authorized Representative shall not be paid for by MIRA. MIRA and Consultant shall from time to time mutually agree on the method and manner of performing such Services.

## 2.7 Specific Services Request For Services

At its discretion, MIRA, through an Authorized Representative, shall require that prior to undertaking work on a specific task, Consultant and an Authorized Representative mutually agree in writing upon a detailed Scope of Services required for such task, together with an estimate of the time, cost, and expenses for such Services. MIRA will request performance of such Services by means of a written request in accordance with the format of **Exhibit B** attached hereto and made a part hereof (a "Request"). Accordingly, upon receipt and

acceptance of a written Request, Consultant will perform such Services described in such Request in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and such Request.

MIRA reserves the right to require Consultant to obtain higher limits of insurance than specified in Article 6 of this Agreement prior to undertaking work on a specific task. If MIRA requires such higher insurance limits, it agrees to negotiate reasonable compensation for the Consultant's increased insurance premium costs (if any), prior to executing the written Request with the Consultant.

If, during Consultant's performance of such Services, there is a change in Consultant's estimated time, cost or expenses for such Services, Consultant will promptly notify MIRA in writing of such change and shall not incur any costs or expenses exceeding those specified in the Request without prior written authorization from an Authorized Representative. MIRA shall not pay for any Services rendered or expenses incurred by Consultant in excess of those included in such Request unless specifically authorized in advance and in writing by an Authorized Representative.

## **2.8 Progress Reports**

If requested by MIRA, Consultant agrees to provide a progress report to MIRA by the 10th day of each calendar month for the Services which Consultant is performing. The report is to contain the following information in the format given:

- (a) Title of task;
- (b) Description of task;
- (c) Original schedule;
- (d) Original estimated budget by month in dollars and hours;
- (e) Progress in preceding month;
- (f) Estimated dollars and hours spent in preceding month;
- (g) Dollars and hours spent monthly, to date;
- (h) Problem areas; and
- (i) Description of activities for the coming month and estimated hours and dollars for such activities.

## **2.9 Confidential Work Product**

Consultant shall not use, publish, distribute, sell or divulge any information obtained from MIRA by virtue of this Agreement for its own purposes or for the benefit of any person, firm, corporation or other entity (other than MIRA) without the prior written consent of MIRA. Any report or other work product prepared by Consultant while performing Services under



this Agreement shall be owned solely and exclusively by MIRA and cannot be used by Consultant for any purpose beyond the scope of this Agreement without the prior written consent of MIRA. Any material designated by MIRA in accordance with applicable law as confidential shall not be disclosed to any third parties without the prior written consent of MIRA. However, Consultant acknowledges that MIRA is subject to the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act and MIRA must disclose certain documents in accordance with said Act.

## **2.10 Restrictions On Parties**

This Agreement shall not be construed to restrict either MIRA or Consultant from entering into other consulting agreements similar to this one with other parties, provided however Consultant shall not render services to another which would either be in conflict with the interests of MIRA or prevent Consultant from performing hereunder. Consultant shall not assign this Agreement or subcontract any of the Services to be performed hereunder without the prior written consent of the Authorized Representative.

## **3. COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT**

### **3.1 Compensation Schedule**

For the purposes of this Agreement, the term “fiscal year” shall mean the twelve (12) month period from July 1<sup>st</sup> through the following June 30<sup>th</sup>.

For the services rendered and expenses incurred under this Agreement during Fiscal Year 2015 (which begins July 1, 2014), Consultant shall be paid by MIRA on the basis set forth on **Exhibit C** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

For Fiscal Year 2016 (which begins July 1, 2015), the rates set forth in **Exhibit C** may be modified by Consultant by the lesser of (i) four (4%) percent, or (ii) the percentage change under the United States Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (Cross Classification of Region and Population Size Class), published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor (the “Index”), which change shall be calculated as follows: the annual adjustment shall be calculated by adding to the rates payable for the immediately preceding fiscal year the amount obtained by multiplying such rates by the percentage change between the Index for June of the fiscal year immediately prior to such immediately preceding fiscal year and the Index for June of such immediately preceding fiscal year.

For Fiscal Year 2017 (which begins July 1, 2016), Consultant shall be paid by MIRA based upon the rates at which Consultant was paid by MIRA during Fiscal Year 2016; provided, however, that such rates may be modified by Consultant in the manner set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph.

**All Services provided by Consultant to MIRA must be approved in advance by the President of the Director of Legal Services. Any Services rendered by Consultant that**

**were not approved in advance by the President of the Director of Legal Services shall NOT be paid by MIRA even if said Services were requested by other MIRA staff.**

MIRA will not reimburse the costs of first-class travel and expects that travel arrangements will take advantage of any cost-effective discounts or special rates. Out of pocket expenses shall be reimbursed at cost provided they are consistent with MIRA's Travel and Expense Reporting document attached hereto and made a part hereof as **Exhibit D**, except that Consultant will be deemed to have met MIRA's "Receipt" requirements of such document if Consultant provides to MIRA with each billing

- (a) Receipts for all items greater than or equal to \$25 and
- (b) Copies of the Consultant's expense forms itemizing expenses incurred in providing Services to MIRA.

Disbursements will be reimbursed at the Consultant's cost.

Consultant shall not be compensated for any time spent preparing any billing documentation, or any information requested by MIRA's in house accountants/auditors or outside auditors, State of Connecticut auditors, or MIRA in house accounting department, or related materials.

### **3.2 Bill Format**

Consultant shall render a bill to MIRA each month for all of the Services performed and all of the costs and expenses incurred in the immediately preceding month pursuant to this Agreement. Each monthly bill shall contain at least the following information:

- (a) The name, title and billing rate for each person performing Services for which payment is sought;
- (b) A description of the Services performed by each person by task;
- (c) The time spent by each person;
- (d) Separate listing of all expenses incurred including copies of receipts or sub-consultant invoices;
- (e) The time period covered by the bill;
- (f) The project name and number to be charged;
- (g) The contract number for this Agreement (to be provided by MIRA); and;
- (h) The request for services identification number, if appropriate.

The identification codes of each attorney, paralegal, etc. must appear with each service item listed.

Consultant shall not carry forward balances. If a previous bill is unpaid, Consultant shall resubmit that periodic bill for payment. Group or block billing is not acceptable and bills with such billing will be returned unpaid to the firm for clarification and itemization.

Bills shall be accompanied by an itemization of disbursements and costs (long-distance calls, photocopying, transcripts, expert witnesses, court costs, etc.) and travel expenses shall be itemized separately to indicate travel, lodging, business meeting, meals, taxis and limousines and other expenses (specially detailed). Disbursements will be reimbursed at Consultant's cost.

The minimum billing increment to be used is one-tenth (0.10) of an hour. MIRA requires that all time to be computed on this basis and be exact to within the nearest tenth of an hour. The use of a higher increment (e.g., 0.25) or "rounding" of times will be appropriately reduced from the bill. Consultant may not unit-bill MIRA for telephone calls and for reviewing or drafting correspondence, i.e., reviews of correspondence always billed at a minimum of 0.5 hours or telephone calls at 0.3 hours. MIRA will pay only for actual legal work to the nearest 0.10 hours.

The last page of the invoice must show:

- (a) The identification of each service provider
- (b) Their hourly rate
- (c) Total hours billed on the invoice
- (d) Total amount charged for their service.

The format for all monthly bills is attached hereto as **Exhibit E** and made a part hereof.

### **3.3 Payment Procedure**

If MIRA determines, in its sole discretion, that

- (a) The Services for which Consultant is requesting payment have been properly performed and completed in conformance with the Standards,
- (b) Consultant is not in default hereunder,
- (c) MIRA does not dispute the amount of the payment requested, and
- (d) The bill contains all of the information required hereunder,

then MIRA shall pay the amount requested within thirty (30) calendar days after its receipt of such bill.

If, however,

- (a) MIRA determines that any of the Services for which Consultant has requested payment is not in conformance with the Standards,
- (b) Such bill does not contain all the requisite information, or
- (c) Consultant is in default hereunder,

then MIRA may, in its sole and absolute discretion, withhold all or a portion of the payment requested by Consultant and Consultant shall, if requested by MIRA, immediately take, at Consultant's sole cost and expense, all action necessary to render such Services and/or bill in conformance with the Standards, or to cure such default.

MIRA shall have no obligation under this Agreement to pay for any Services that MIRA determines have not been performed and/or completed in conformance with the Standards, and MIRA shall have no obligation to pay Consultant any amount due Consultant under this Agreement if Consultant is in default hereunder. If MIRA disputes the amount in any written request for payment submitted by Consultant, MIRA shall have the right to withhold the disputed amount until the dispute is settled. MIRA shall notify Consultant of any disputed amount and the reason(s) for disputing such amount.

Consultant's acceptance of an assignment from MIRA will be deemed as Consultant's agreement to conform to MIRA's billing policies and procedures.

### **3.4 Accounting Obligations**

Consultant shall maintain books and accounts of the costs incurred by Consultant in performing the Services pursuant to this Agreement by contract number and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices. MIRA, during normal business hours, for the duration of this Agreement, shall have access to such books and accounts to the extent required to verify such costs incurred.

### **3.5 Withholding Taxes And Other Payments**

No FICA (social security) payroll tax, state or federal income tax, federal unemployment tax or insurance payments, state disability tax or insurance payments or state unemployment tax or insurance payments shall be paid or deposited by MIRA with respect to Consultant, nor be withheld from payment to Consultant by MIRA. No workers' compensation insurance has been or will be obtained by MIRA on account of the Services to be performed hereunder by Consultant, or any of Consultant's employees or sub-consultants. Consultant shall be responsible for paying or providing for all of the taxes, insurance and other payments described or similar to those described in this Section 3.5 and Consultant hereby agrees to indemnify MIRA and hold MIRA harmless against any and all such taxes, insurance or payments, or similar costs which MIRA may be required to pay in the event that Consultant's status hereunder is determined to be other than that of an independent Consultant.

### **3.6 State of Connecticut Taxes**

Pursuant to Section 22a-270 of the Connecticut General Statutes (as the same may be amended or superceded from time to time), MIRA is exempt from all State of Connecticut taxes and assessments (“Connecticut Taxes”), and the payment thereof. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, the sale of any services or tangible personal property to be incorporated into or otherwise consumed in the operation of a MIRA Project is exempt from Connecticut Taxes, including without limitation Connecticut sales and use taxes, wherever purchased. Accordingly, Consultant shall not include in the fees, and Consultant shall not charge or pass through any Connecticut Taxes to MIRA, including that portion of any combined tax or assessment representing any Connecticut Taxes, regardless of whether Consultant has incurred any Connecticut State Taxes in its performance of the Agreement.

MIRA expresses no opinion as to the eligibility for any tax exemption, or refund or other reimbursement, including without limitation any Connecticut Taxes, with respect to tangible personal property purchased at any location for use in the performance of Services contemplated by this Agreement.

Consultant should consult with its tax advisor and/or its attorney, and the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (“DRS”) and any other applicable tax authority, with regard to such tax authorities’ policies, procedures, recordkeeping and filing requirements for reimbursement of any taxes, including without limitation Connecticut Taxes, paid in the performance of Services contemplated by this Agreement, and whether or not there is a mechanism available to Consultant for the reimbursement of taxes, including without limitation Connecticut Taxes, paid on fuel purchased for use in the performance of the Services contemplated by this Agreement.

Consultant and MIRA agree that Consultant is and shall act as an independent contractor. Notwithstanding Consultant’s status as an independent contractor, but without limiting Consultant’s obligation hereunder to pay, and be solely responsible for, any Connecticut taxes levied, imposed or applicable to the Services, for the sole purpose of allowing MIRA to benefit from the aforesaid exemption, MIRA shall designate, and Consultant has agreed to act, as MIRA’s agent in purchasing services and equipment, machinery, parts, materials, supplies, inventories, fuel, and other items necessary to perform the Services hereunder for the account of MIRA, and with funds provided as reimbursement therefore by MIRA.

### **3.7 Audit**

MIRA reserves the right to review the reasonableness of all bills and expenses as they are billed to MIRA by Consultant. Upon reasonable notice from MIRA, Consultant agrees to allow MIRA to audit Consultant’s files pertaining to MIRA’s cases assigned to Consultant. Any such audit will be conducted on Consultant’s premises and Consultant will be expected to produce any pertinent file information requested including Consultant’s time and expense records.

For an audit, Consultant firm shall provide the following:

- (a) Access to files, records, bills in electronic forms, electronic daily billing reports and summaries;
- (b) Each attorney's original bills and time slips for the services;
- (c) A list of hourly rates for each attorney handling the matter;
- (d) A detailed explanation of Consultant's billing methods; and
- (e) Consultant's trial, motion and deposition calendar subject to applicable privileges.

MIRA reserves the right to seek reimbursement of inappropriately billed time or expenses.

#### **4. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

##### **4.1 Term**

The term of this Agreement shall commence upon the Effective Date and shall terminate, unless otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms hereof, on June 30, 2017.

##### **4.2 Time Is Of The Essence**

MIRA and Consultant hereby acknowledge and agree that time is of the essence with respect to Consultant's performance of the Services hereunder. Accordingly, upon Consultant's receipt and acceptance of a Request, Consultant shall immediately commence performance of the Services requested and continue to perform the same during the term of this Agreement in order to complete all of the Services requested by the completion date set forth in such Request, if any.

##### **4.3 Termination**

This Agreement may be terminated by either MIRA or Consultant upon at least thirty (30) days advance written notice, except that Consultant shall have no right to terminate until all Services have been completed to the satisfaction of MIRA, unless applicable rules of professional responsibility permit termination and if so, Consultant will allow MIRA to obtain substitute counsel before withdrawing from representation.

Upon receipt of such written notice from MIRA, Consultant shall immediately cease work on any and all MIRA matters, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Authorized Representative. Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 4.3,

- (a) MIRA shall pay Consultant for all Services performed by Consultant prior to the termination date, provided:
  - (1) MIRA has determined that such Services have been performed by Consultant in conformance with the Standards;

- (2) Payment for such Services has not been previously made or is not disputed by MIRA;
- (3) Consultant is not in default hereunder; and,
- (4) Consultant has performed all its obligations under this Section 4.3 to MIRA's satisfaction, and

(b) MIRA shall have no further liability hereunder.

Except for the payment that may be required pursuant to the preceding sentence, MIRA shall not be liable to Consultant in any other manner whatsoever in the event MIRA exercises its right to terminate this Agreement.

Consultant shall transmit to MIRA originals or copies of any and all material prepared, developed or obtained under this Agreement in Consultant's possession within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notice of termination unless otherwise directed by the Authorized Representative.

#### **4.4 Records And Documents**

Consultant shall retain and maintain accurate records and documents relating to the performance of Services under this Agreement for a minimum of three (3) years after final payment by MIRA and shall make them available for inspection and audit by MIRA. Consultant's obligations under this Section 4.4 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

### **5. INDEMNIFICATION**

#### **5.1 Consultant's Indemnity**

Consultant shall at all times protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless MIRA and its board of directors, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all liabilities, actions, claims, damages losses, judgments, workers' compensation payments, costs and expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) arising out of injuries to the person (including death), damages to property or other damages alleged to have been sustained by: (a) MIRA or any of its directors, officers, agents or employees, or (b) Consultant or any of its directors, officers, employees, agents or sub-consultants, or (c) any other person, to the extent any such injuries, damages or damages are caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the acts, omissions or negligence of Consultant or any of its directors, officers, employees, agents or sub-consultants. Consultant further undertakes to reimburse MIRA for damages to property of MIRA caused by Consultant or any of its directors, officers, members, partners, employees, agents or sub-consultants. The existence of insurance shall in no way limit the scope of this indemnification. Consultant's obligations under this Section 5.1 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

## 6. INSURANCE

### 6.1 Insurance

At all times during the term of this Agreement, Consultant shall, at its sole cost and expense, procure and maintain the insurance coverages described below for claims which may arise from or in connection with the work set forth in the scope of services hereunder (the “Services”) performed by the Consultant and those for whom they are legally responsible.

MIRA reserves the right to waive, at its sole and absolute discretion, in whole or in part, any of the required insurances specified in this Article 6.

#### (a) Minimum Scope of Insurance

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Commercial General Liability insurance as specified by the most recent version of ISO Form Number CG 001 (occurrence).
2. Automobile Liability insurance as specified by the most recent edition of ISO Form Number CA 0001, Symbol 1 (any auto). An MCS 90 Endorsement and a CA 9948 Endorsement shall be attached **if any hazardous materials are transported by the Consultant during its performance of the Services.**
3. Workers’ Compensation insurance as required by all states in which the Services are being done and Employer’s Liability insurance.
4. Professional Liability insurance if the Consultant or any subcontractor to them is providing legal or consultative services. The Professional Liability insurance should include coverage for all professional services related to the Services as outlined within the Agreement and should be kept in force for a completed operations period of at least five years after final completion of the Services.

### 6.2 Minimum Limits of Insurance

Consultant shall maintain the following limits of liability for the insurance described above:

1. Commercial General Liability:
  - a. \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence for Bodily Injury & Property Damage.
  - b. \$2,000,000 General Aggregate
  - c. \$2,000,000 Products & Completed Operations Aggregate
  - d. \$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury
2. Automobile Liability:



- a. \$500,000 Combined Single Limit Each Accident for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.
  - b. Include Owned, Hired and Non-Owned Auto Liability
3. Workers' Compensation: Statutory limits.
4. Employer's Liability:
  - a. \$500,000 Each Accident
  - b. \$500,000 Disease – Policy Limit
  - c. \$500,000 Disease – Each Employee
5. Excess/Umbrella Liability:
  - a. \$5,000,000 Each Occurrence/Aggregate; schedule the General Liability, Automobile Liability, and Employers Liability and follow form with the underlying terms.
6. Lawyer's Professional Liability
  - a. \$5,000,000 Each Occurrence

(a) Deductibles, Self-insured Retentions and Uninsured Losses

The Consultant shall be responsible for payment of all deductibles and self-insured retentions on any of the insurance policies required under this Agreement. The Consultant is also responsible for the payment of all losses arising out of its performance of the Services that may not be covered by the insurance policies required under this Agreement.

(b) Other Insurance Provisions

All policies required under this Agreement shall contain the following provisions:

1. MIRA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees are to be covered as additional insureds on a primary and non-contributing basis on the following insurance policies purchased by the Consultant:
  - a. Commercial General Liability
  - b. Automobile Liability
2. The Consultant agrees to notify MIRA at least thirty (30) days in advance of any cancellation or change to insurance coverages required under this Agreement. Notice of cancellation or change in coverage shall be provided to MIRA's Risk Manager by fax to 860-757-7740, or by e-mail to [riskmanager@ctmira.org](mailto:riskmanager@ctmira.org), or by correspondence to MIRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722.

3. The Consultant should waive (and require their insurers to waive) subrogation rights against MIRA for losses and damages incurred under the insurance policies required by this Agreement.
4. The Consultant's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

(c) Acceptability of Insurance

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with current A.M. Best ratings of not less than A-VIII, and be lawfully authorized to conduct business in the state(s) or jurisdiction(s) where the Services are being performed, unless otherwise approved by MIRA.

(d) Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish MIRA with a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the coverages required under this Agreement. All certificates are to be received and approved by MIRA before the Services commence. Consultant shall provide new Certificates of Insurance upon renewal, replacement or addition of any insurance required under this Agreement.

(e) Subcontractors

Consultant shall either include all subcontractors as insureds under its insurance policies or shall require subcontractors to provide their own insurance subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

## 7. MISCELLANEOUS

### 7.1 Non-Discrimination

Consultant agrees to the following:

- (a) Consultant agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Agreement Consultant will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, , mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by Consultant that such disability prevents performance of the Services involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut. Consultant further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status,

national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by Consultant that such disability prevents performance of the Services involved;

- (b) Consultant agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Consultant, to state that it is an “affirmative action-equal opportunity employer” in accordance with regulations adopted by the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (the “Commission”);
- (c) Consultant agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which Consultant has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which Consultant has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers’ representative of Consultant’s commitments under Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
- (d) Consultant agrees to comply with each provision of Sections 4a-60, 4a-60a, 46a-68e, and 46a-68f, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes and with each regulation or relevant order issued by the Commission pursuant to Sections 46a-56, 46a-68e, and 46a-68f of the Connecticut General Statutes; and
- (e) Consultant agrees to provide the Commission with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts concerning the employment practices and procedures of Consultant as they relate to the provisions of Sections 4a-60, 4a-60a and 46a-56 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- (f) If this Agreement is a public works contract, Consultant agrees and warrants that it will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials in such public works project.

## **7.2 Entire Agreement**

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and concerning the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any previous agreements, written or oral, between the parties hereto and concerning the subject matter hereof.

## **7.3 Governing Law**

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut as such laws are applied to contracts between Connecticut residents entered into and to be performed entirely in Connecticut.

#### **7.4 Assignment**

This Agreement may not be assigned in whole or in part by either party without the prior written consent of the other party or such assignment shall be void.

#### **7.5 No Waiver**

Failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement or to require at any time performance of any provision hereof shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision, or to affect the validity of this Agreement or the right of any party to enforce each and every provision in accordance with the terms hereof. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall affect the right of MIRA or Consultant thereafter to enforce such provision or to exercise any right or remedy available to it in the event of any other default involving such provision or any other provision. Making payment or performing pursuant to this Agreement during the existence of a dispute shall not be deemed to be and shall not constitute a waiver of any claims or defenses of the party so paying or performing.

#### **7.6 Modification**

This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except by a writing signed by the parties hereto that specifically refers to this Agreement. Any oral representations or letters by the parties or accommodations shall not create a pattern or practice or course of dealing contrary to the written terms of this Agreement unless this Agreement is formally amended, modified or supplemented.

#### **7.7 Notices**

All notices, requests, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed via certified first class mail return receipt requested postage prepaid or overnight express mail service to the pertinent address below.

(a) If to MIRA:

Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Attention: Director of Legal Services

With a copy to:

Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Attention: President

(b) If to Consultant:

~~Met~~ Cohn Birnbaum & Shea P.C.  
100 Pearl Street 12th Floor  
Hartford, CT 06103  
Attention: Melvin A. Simon

#### 7.8 Binding Effect

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

#### 7.9 Severability

MIRA and Consultant hereby understand and agree that if any part, term or provision of this Agreement is held by any court to be invalid, illegal or in conflict with any applicable law, the validity of the remaining portions of this Agreement shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if this Agreement did not contain the particular part, term or provision held to be invalid, illegal or in conflict with any applicable law.

#### 7.10 SBE/MBE Application

At the request of MIRA and if Consultant qualifies, Consultant shall apply with the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, and do all that is necessary to make itself qualify, as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and/or Minority/Women/Disabled Person Business Enterprise (MBE) in accordance with *Connecticut General Statutes* Section 4a-60g.

#### 7.11 Whistleblower Protection

If any officer, employee or appointing authority of the Consultant takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the Consultant in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of *Connecticut General Statutes* Section 4-61dd, the Consultant shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of the contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and direct offense. The Consultant shall post a notice in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by employees of the provisions of *Connecticut General Statutes* Section 4-61dd relating to large state contractors.

#### 7.12 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by the parties hereto. Each such counterpart so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all such executed counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

### **7.13 Campaign Contribution And Solicitation Prohibitions**

For all State contracts as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Agreement expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement Commission's notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See Exhibit F [SEEC Form 11].

### **7.14 Affidavit of Third Party Fees**

At the time the Consultant submitted its Statement Of Qualifications to MIRA, it simultaneously executed a document entitled Affidavit Of Third Party Fees and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit G.

### **7.15 Affidavit Concerning Nondiscrimination**

At the time the Consultant submitted its Statement Of Qualificaitons to MIRA, it simultaneously executed a document entitled Affidavit Concerning Nondiscrimination and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit H.

### **7.16 Iran Certification**

At the time the Consultant submitted its Statement Of Qualifications to MIRA, it simultaneously executed a document entitled Iran Certification Form and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit I.

### **7.17 Affidavit Concerning Consulting Fees**

At the time of Consultant's execution of this Agreement, Consultant simultaneously executed a document entitled Affidavit Concerning Consulting Fees and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit J.

### **7.18 Contractor's Certification Concerning Gifts**

At the time of Consultant's execution of this Agreement, Consultant simultaneously executed a document entitled Contractor's Certification Concerning Gifts and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit K.

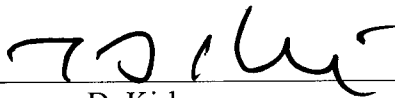
### **7.19 President's Certification Concerning Gifts**

At the time of the President of MIRA's execution of this Agreement, the President of MIRA simultaneously executed a document entitled President's Certification Concerning Gifts and said document is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit L.

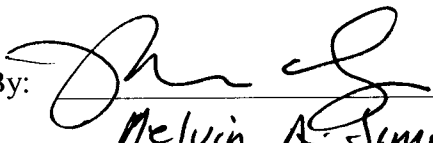
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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals as of the day and year first written above.

MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY

By:   
Thomas D. Kirk  
Its President  
Duly Authorized

COHN BIRNBAUM & SHEA P.C.

By:   
Melvin A. Simon [Print/Type Name]  
Its Principal [Title]  
Duly Authorized

## SCOPE OF SERVICES

The following are the Categories of Services.

### 1. Environmental Law Services – Federal, State and Local

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Environmental Law Services category:

- (a) Department of Environmental Protection proceedings
- (b) Air pollution control
- (c) Water pollution control
- (d) Solid waste management
- (e) Hazardous waste management
- (f) Federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act
- (g) Federal Community Right to Know
- (h) Federal Toxic Substances Control Act
- (i) Noise Abatement
- (j) Connecticut Siting Council
- (k) Inland wetlands
- (l) Coastal management and tidal wetlands
- (m) Water diversion
- (n) Connecticut Environmental Protection Act
- (o) Environmental auditing
- (p) Environmental impact statements
- (q) Risk Assessment
- (r) Site assessment and Connecticut Super Lien

### 2. Real Estate/Planning And Zoning Services

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Real Estate/Planning And Zoning Services category:

- (a) Commercial real estate acquisition
- (b) Site assessment and Connecticut Super Lien



- (c) Eminent domain
- (d) Complex easements
- (e) General commercial zoning – zone changes, variances, special permits, site plan review
- (f) Inland wetlands
- (g) Local coastal site plan review

**3. Energy Law/Department of Public Utility Control Services**

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Energy/Department of Public Utility Control Services category:

- (a) Electrical sales contracts
- (b) Steam sales contracts
- (c) Cogeneration
- (d) Department of Public Utility Control proceedings
- (e) Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceedings

**4. Litigation Services**

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Litigation Services category:

- (a) General litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute
- (b) Collections
- (c) Eminent domain
- (d) Tax appeals
- (e) Contract and commercial litigation
- (f) Freedom of Information Act

**5. Employment Law Services**

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Employment Law Services category:

- (a) General Employment Issues
- (b) Employment hearings and litigation
- (c) Labor relations

**6. Solid Waste Industry Legal Services**

The following are examples of the areas covered by the Solid Waste Industry Legal Services category:

- (a) Counsel on general solid waste industry issues
- (b) Counsel on solid waste hauling and disposal contracts
- (c) Counsel on economic flow control issues
- (d) Assistance in negotiations with solid waste haulers regarding solid waste disposal agreements and transportation agreements
- (e) Counsel on intrastate rail transportation of solid waste
- (f) Counsel on industry trends in collection and disposal of residential and commercial solid waste
- (g) Counsel on industry trends in collection and disposal of residential and commercial recyclables
- (h) Counsel on contracts for the hauling, disposal, and marketing of recyclables
- (i) Assistance in development of solid waste facilities, including but not limited to, transfer stations, rail haul facilities, and waste-to-energy facilities
- (j) Assistance in negotiations with waste-to-energy facility owners and/or operators

**REQUEST FOR SERVICES**

[DATE]

[NAME OF CONTACT FOR CONSULTANT]  
[NAME OF CONSULTANT]  
[ADDRESS 1 OF CONSULTANT]  
[ADDRESS 2 OF CONSULTANT]

**Re: Legal Services Agreement  
Request for Services**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

This Request will authorize you to provide the Services described below in accordance with the terms and conditions of the “Legal Services Agreement” dated July 1, 2014 between MIRA and you.

The Scope of Services, Estimated time of Performance and Estimated Costs set forth below will become a part of the above-referenced Agreement and will be incorporated therein, as an amendment, upon your acceptance of this Request, to be indicated below. The Scope of Services is the product of consultation between MIRA and you and the Estimated Time of Performance and Estimated Costs have been provided by you and deemed acceptable by MIRA.

**1. Scope of Services**

[PROVIDE DETAILS]

**2. Estimated Time of Performance**

[PER CONSULTANT]

**3. Estimated Costs**

[PER CONSULTANT]

These costs are not to be exceeded without MIRA's prior written consent. MIRA shall not pay for any services rendered or expenses incurred by Consultant in excess of those included in this Request unless specifically authorized in advance and in writing by MIRA.

Sincerely,

MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted and agreed to under the terms of the  
Legal Services Agreement  
dated July 1, 2014

[CONSULTANT NAME]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

STANDARD FORMAT

## COMPENSATION SCHEDULE

### 1. Billing Rates

The Billing Rates Table on Page 4 lists staff level, name, title and hourly billing rate for each lawyer in the firm who would be assigned to work with MIRA. Only the attorneys listed here will be authorized to work on MIRA matters unless other attorneys are specifically authorized by MIRA.

For the services rendered and expenses incurred under this Agreement during Fiscal Year 2015 (which begins July 1, 2014), the firm shall be paid by MIRA on the basis set forth in the Billing Rates Table.

For Fiscal Year 2016 (which begins July 1, 2015), the rates set forth in the Billing Rates Table may be modified by the firm by the lesser of (i) four (4%) percent, or (ii) the percentage change under the United States Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (Cross Classification of Region and Population Size Class), published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor (the “Index”), which change shall be calculated as follows: the annual adjustment shall be calculated by adding to the rates payable for the immediately preceding fiscal year the amount obtained by multiplying such rates by the percentage change between the Index for June of the fiscal year immediately prior to such immediately preceding fiscal year and the Index for June of such immediately preceding fiscal year.

For Fiscal Year 2017 (which begins July 1, 2016), the firm shall be paid by MIRA based upon the rates at which the firm was paid by MIRA during Fiscal Year 2016; provided, however, that such rates may be modified by the firm in the manner set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph.

### 2. Ancillary Service Rates

The Ancillary Services Rates Table on Page 4, provides the rate at which applicable ancillary services are billed, including, but not limited to:

- Paralegal assistance;
- Computer time; and

### 3. Any other services (excluding telephones) for which firm routinely bills General Provisions Regarding Billing and Expenses

The following provisions apply to all of the firm’s billing and expenses related to providing Services pursuant to the Contract Documents.

#### 3.1 “Doing Business” Costs

The following items are considered part of the firm’s fixed costs of “doing business” and will not be paid for by MIRA.

- Facsimile transmissions.
- Postage.

- Local telephone calls.
- Word Processing.
- Overtime or extra help.
- Delivery of documents (unless the delay is caused by the MIRA.)
- Training of the firm's personnel.
- Secretarial time (regular and irregular functions including scheduling and rescheduling of depositions, conferences, independent medical examinations, calling the court for hearing dates, etc.).
- Lexis/Westlaw research which would be analogous to the maintenance of a law library, and therefore, part of the firm's general overhead not to be charged to clients.
- Intra-office conferencing where these functions are administrative, supervisory, instructional or educational in nature and should not be passed on to MIRA. Except that Consultant can bill just once for an intra-office conference.

### **3.2 Expenses For Which MIRA Will Not Pay**

MIRA will not pay for:

- "File creation."
- Attorney rates for functions normally performed by paralegals, law clerks or secretaries.
- Paralegal rates for clerical or secretarial functions.
- Research exceeding three hours per file without prior MIRA approval.
- Excessive revisions of documents.
- Long distance or out-of-state travel unless expressly authorized by the MIRA.
- Photocopy expenses at more than \$0.10 per page. (MIRA must authorize photocopy costs in excess of \$200 for a single job in advance.)
- Any other staff service charges, such as meals, filing, proofreading, regardless of when incurred.
- Computer time (other than computer legal research specifically authorized in advance by the MIRA).
- Time spent in preparing bills to the MIRA.
- More than one attorney at any deposition, hearing or trial unless authorized by the MIRA.
- Litigation budget preparation and revisions.
- File reviews undertaken when files are transferred within the firm from one attorney to another.
- Messenger and Federal Express delivery unless rush is caused by MIRA or is at MIRA's request and then will be billed by weight at standard Federal Express rates.

### **3.3 Expenses For Which MIRA Will Pay Actual Costs**

MIRA will pay actual costs for the following:

- Photocopying.

- Long-distance telephone billed at direct-line charge rates.
- Extraordinary postage for a singular mailing exceeding a combined cost of \$1.00 per mailing per file.

### **3.4 *Expenses For Which MIRA Will Pay Actual Costs If Authorized In Advance***

MIRA will pay actual costs for the following, if authorized in advance:

- Written summarization of expert's reports.
- Legal research that exceeds 3 hours.
- Investigation.
- Computer litigation support services.
- Retention of experts. (Selections and terms of engagement must be pre-approved.)
- Extraordinary travel.

**BILLING RATES**

| Staff Level | Name and Title          | Hourly Rate                      |
|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
|             |                         | FY 2015<br>(07/01/14 – 06/30/15) |
| Principal   | Melvin A. Simon         | \$355.00                         |
| Principal   | Douglas S. Pelham       | \$355.00                         |
| Principal   | Robert J. Metzler       | \$355.00                         |
| Principal   | Staci H. Bachman        | \$355.00                         |
| Principal   | Mary E.R. Bartholic     | \$355.00                         |
| Principal   | Thomas W. Witherington  | \$355.00                         |
| Of Counsel  | Jennifer W. Haddad      | \$275.00                         |
| Associate   | Nicholas P. Vegliante   | \$255.00                         |
| Paralegal   | Stephanie L. Labanowski | \$160.00                         |
| Paralegal   | Naomi R. Lynch          | \$160.00                         |
| Paralegal   | Denise C. Nomeyko       | \$160.00                         |
| Paralegal   | Karen C. Seaman         | \$160.00                         |

**ANCILLARY SERVICE RATES**

| Ancillary Service                       | Rate  |
|---|---|
|   | FY 2015<br>(07/01/14 – 06/30/15)                          |
| Paralegal Assistants (Per Hour)         | \$140.00  |
| Copying – Black & White (Per Page)      | \$0.10  |
| Copying – Full Color (Per Page)         | \$0.10  |
| Travel in Firm-Owned Vehicle (Per Mile) | <i>To be billed at IRS<br/>standard mileage<br/>rates</i> |





# **TRAVEL POLICY AND EXPENSE REPORTING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY AND PROCEDURE  
NUMBER 032**

**APPROVED BY CRRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SEPTEMBER 29, 2005**

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## **CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY TRAVEL POLICY AND EXPENSE REPORTING**

### **1. GENERAL STATEMENT**

This Travel Policy and Expense Reporting guide presents the policies that all CRRA employees (hereafter “employee(s)”) must adhere to in the planning and conducting of their business travel and their reimbursement requests. CRRA requires that all travel expenditures and their accountings meet the Internal Revenue Service requirements of “ordinary, necessary and reasonable” and should be conservative and consistent with the nature of the business assignment. These policies safeguard CRRA and protect the employee from being assessed additional taxable income. All employees are expected to fully comply with the policies and instructions in this guide. Reimbursements for actual and necessary expenses made to Directors of CRRA shall be made consistent with the provisions of this Travel Policy And Expense Reporting guide; however, as stated in the Connecticut General Statutes, Directors shall not be required to obtain pre-approval from the President for any expenses.

### **2. APPROVALS**

Prior written approval by the President or the employee’s Division Head at least one (1) week in advance is required for all overnight trips out of state, except in an emergency. It is the obligation of the employee to obtain this prior approval and no reimbursement will be made without this approval.

Prior written approval by the President or the employee’s Division Head at least one (1) week in advance is required for all employee trips that are for educational seminars, professional conferences, vendor-initiated field trips, and industry organization events.

To obtain written approval, the employee must complete the overnight travel form, and, if a cash advance is requested, complete a cash advance form that estimates the out-of-pocket expenses, and submit the completed form(s) to the appropriate Division Head or President in as far in advance as possible of departure date.

### **3. TRANSPORTATION**

Transportation expenses should be kept to a minimum. The most direct and practical route should be selected.

### **3.1 Rental Automobile**

Rental car expenses will be paid by CRRA and whenever possible should be billed directly to CRRA to take advantage of CRRA's tax-exempt status and any other discounts available to CRRA.

#### **3.1.1 Insurance**

##### **3.1.1.1 Business Use Of A Rental Automobile**

Employees on business do not need to purchase additional insurance coverage (collision damage waiver or excess liability) from the rental company. The Corporate Insurance Program covers these risks. Please note that all vehicles must be rented in CRRA's name to have CRRA's policy cover the employee.

##### **3.1.1.2 Personal Use Of A Rental Automobile**

Employees are prohibited from using a CRRA rental automobile for personal use. Personal use that is incidental to CRRA business use will be covered by the CRRA insurance policy as long as the vehicle was rented in CRRA's name. Incidental usage is defined as usage of the vehicle that is directly related to business usage (e.g. mileage to get meals on a business trip).

### **3.2 Business Use Of Employee's Car**

#### **3.2.1 Reimbursement Rate**

The reimbursement rate for an employee's use of their personal automobile for CRRA business is the IRS approved rate, as adjusted from time to time by the IRS, for employee use of their personal car on business. The above mileage reimbursement allowance for business use of an employee's vehicle is calculated in a manner that takes into account all auto-related expenses, including the cost of carrying insurance (without a deductible). Therefore, CRRA will not reimburse an employee for vehicle damage or personal liability that occurs while a personal automobile is being used on CRRA business if the employee drives their personal vehicle 2,500 miles per year or more. This includes any deductible that may apply. However, if an employee's vehicle is driven on company business 2,500 miles or less annually, and is involved in a motor vehicle accident, CRRA will reimburse the employee through the normal expense reimbursement process for their physical damage deductible up to a maximum of \$500.00 per accident. Evidence of the payment of the deductible by the employee must be provided to CRRA in order to receive reimbursement. (Traveling on business does not include any travel involved in commuting to or from work, lunch time errands or anything other than authorized business use). Before an employee seeks the foregoing reimbursement for the use of his personal automobile, the

employee shall provide CRRA with written evidence of his personal automobile insurance with limits as required by the Connecticut General Statutes. The foregoing written proof shall be kept on file in the CRRA Finance Division.

### **3.2.2 Mileage Calculation**

In all travel away from the CRRA office, the employee will be reimbursed using the shortest distance between points. For travel from Hartford to a CRRA facility, the President shall cause the shortest distance to be determined and the President shall cause such determination to be made available to employees. Unless approved by an employee's Division Head, employees shall use the distances determined by the President in all requests for reimbursement for travel from Hartford to a CRRA facility. An employee may request and the employee's Division Head may approve distances other than those determined by the President in extraordinary circumstances when, for reasons beyond the control of the employee, the route of the shortest distance was not reasonably available for use.

In calculating mileage, the normal commute mileage to and from the employee's home to the employee's assigned place of work must be deducted from the total trip mileage. For example, if the total trip mileage equals 100 miles, and normal commute mileage equals 20 miles, CRRA will reimburse the employee for 80 miles. This is in accordance with Internal Revenue Service and State of Connecticut policy.

### **3.2.3 Tolls/Parking**

No receipts are necessary for tolls or parking unless they exceed five (\$5.00) dollars.

### **3.3 Air Travel**

All air travel requires prior approval from the CRRA President. For approved travel, CRRA will reimburse employees only for coach accommodations. Employees are encouraged to inquire about discount packages and to take advantage of the least costly route whenever possible. When an employee plans a trip, the reservations should be made as far in advance as practical to obtain the lowest rate. All approved air travel for the previous month shall be reported to the CRRA Board of Directors at its next Board Meeting.

### **3.4 Taxis**

Taxi service may be used when no other form of public transportation is available or when the cost of a taxi is close to the cost of public transportation. Employees are encouraged to use courtesy cars, airport limousines, or buses whenever possible. Since some taxi services do not provide receipts, you should have the back of your business card signed, dated, and the amount of the fare indicated by the driver.

### **3.5 CRRA Owned Automobiles**

Please refer to the CRRA Vehicle Usage Policy adopted by the CRRA Board of Directors at its November 21, 2003, Board of Directors Meeting.

### **4. MEALS**

Permissible expenditures for meals and tips depend on location and circumstances. Only reasonable and customary charges will be allowed and reimbursed by CRRA. An exception may be granted by the President in unusual circumstances. In-state breakfast, lunch, and dinner will not be reimbursed unless they involve a business meeting.

### **5. LODGING**

Lodging accommodations in reasonable and economically priced single occupancy rooms, including customary tips, are reimbursable if the employee has to stay away from home overnight because of unfinished business or an early morning business meeting.

Employees should request government rates at the time of making reservations.

### **6. INCIDENTALS**

The incidentals allowance encompasses such things as gratuities and one telephone call a day of reasonable duration to the employee's home. It is anticipated that the cost of such calls generally will appear on the employee's hotel bill.

### **7. PERSONAL EXPENSES**

Some travel expenses are considered personal and CRRA will not reimburse them. The following, while not all inclusive, lists examples of such personal expenses that are not reimbursable expenses: amusements, athletic events, barbers, books for personal reading, athletic court or gym costs, damage to luggage, fines, hair stylists, magazines, newspapers, movies, and saunas.

### **8. OTHER BUSINESS EXPENSES**

With prior approval of the President, CRRA will reimburse an employee for the incidental costs necessary to further an important CRRA business purpose. Any foregoing expense must be reported to the Board at the Board's next Board of Directors meeting. Any such expense must be documented by showing the following:

- The name(s) of the person or persons and the location and nature of the expense.
- The business relationship with CRRA.
- The specific business reason for the expense.
- The actual business conducted.

CRRA will not reimburse the cost of home entertaining.

**9. EXPENSE REPORTING**

All expense reporting must be submitted to CRRA using the CRRA expense reimbursement form(s) within twenty working days after the day the employee returns from his/her trip.

**10. RECEIPTS**

Employees shall obtain receipts for all travel expenses, exclusive of mileage reimbursement. This includes receipts for all meals, airfare, bus fare, taxi, toll or parking charges in excess of \$5.00 dollars, limousine, hotel, and registration fees. Travel expenses in excess of the stated guidelines herein will be reimbursed only if all receipts accompany expense vouchers. Expenses submitted without a receipt, except for gratuity and certain transfer charges, may not be reimbursed.

Original receipts are required for all entertainment.

**11. EXCEPTIONS**

Exceptions to these travel and expense guidelines will be authorized only upon the prior authorization of President when the circumstances warrant. Any such exception to these travel and expense guidelines should be documented and the President should notify the CRRA Board of Directors of such exception at the Board's next Board Meeting.

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**ORIGINAL**

Approved by: Board of Directors  
Effective Date: 05/20/04

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**REVISION 1**

Prepared by: Jim Bolduc, Chief Financial Officer  
Approved by: Board of Directors  
Effective Date: 09/29/05

**MONTHLY BILL FORMAT**

|                              |                       |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Name of Consultant:          |                       |
| Contract Number:             |                       |
| Billing Period:              |                       |
| Project Name:                | <b>Legal Services</b> |
| Purchase Order Number:       |                       |
| Request For Services Number: |                       |

**TASK (Insert Task Number and Name; Use a separate set of tables for each task.)**

| Personnel  | Title | Work Performed | Hours        | Rate        | Amount        |
|--|-------|----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| (Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)                             |       |                |              |             |               |
| (Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)                             |       |                |              |             |               |
| (Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)                             |       |                |              |             |               |
| <b>Subtotal Personnel</b>  |       |                |              |             |               |
| <b>Ancillary Services/Equipment</b>                                    |       |                | <b>Units</b> | <b>Rate</b> | <b>Amount</b> |
| (Insert Name of Ancillary Services/Equipment used for Task)            |       |                |              |             |               |
| (Insert Name of Ancillary Services/Equipment used for Task)            |       |                |              |             |               |
| (Insert Name of Ancillary Services/Equipment used for Task)            |       |                |              |             |               |
| <b>Subtotal Ancillary Services/Equipment</b>                           |       |                |              |             |               |
| <b>Subtotal for Task (Insert Task Number)</b>                          |       |                |              |             |               |
| <b>TOTAL (Insert billing period for which bill is being submitted)</b> |       |                |              |             |               |



SEEC FORM 11

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION BAN**

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes 9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 07-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the following page):

**Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Ban**

No *state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor*, with regard to a *state contract or state contract solicitation* with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or *solicit* contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee;

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

**Duty to Inform**

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

**Penalties for Violations**

Contributions or solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil penalties--\$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and the possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of \$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties—Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or \$5000 in fines, or both.

**Contract Consequences**

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result, in the case of a state contractor, in the contract being voided.

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions, in the case of a prospective state contractor, shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State will not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information and the entire text of P.A 07-1 may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, [www.ct.gov/seec](http://www.ct.gov/seec). Click on the link to "State Contractor Contribution Ban."

Definitions:

"State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Prospective state contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100. "Prospective state contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

"State contract" means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public

agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. "State contract" does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan or a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes.

"State contract solicitation" means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

"Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract" means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

"Dependent child" means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

"Solicit" means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

## **AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES**

Attached hereto and made part hereof this Exhibit G is the Affidavit Of Third Party Fees that was submitted by the Consultant.



## AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES (Form A2)

This Affidavit must be completed and properly executed by an individual or business entity submitting a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (such individual or business entity hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"). The purpose of this Affidavit is to ascertain if the Contractor has made or promised any payment to a third party attributable to this Agreement. If no such payment has been made or promised, Contractor should write "None" in the first box in the table and execute this Affidavit. For purposes of the Affidavit, Contractor's subcontractors, if any, are not considered third parties.

I, **Melvin A. Simon**, a duly authorized officer and/or representative of **Cohn Birnbaum & Shea P.C.** (firm name) (the "Contractor"), being duly sworn, hereby depose and say that:

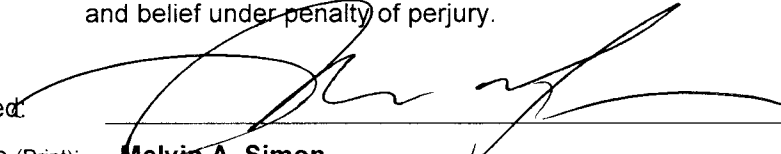
1. I am over eighteen (18) years of age and believe in the obligations of an oath;
2. The Contractor seeks to enter into the "Legal Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority; and
3. All third party fees and agreements to pay third party fees attributable to the Agreement are as follows:

| Name Of Payee | Dollar Amount Paid Or Value Of Non-Cash Compensation AND Date | Fee Arrangement | Specific Services Performed Or To Be Performed By Payee <sup>1</sup> |
|---------------|---|-----------------|--|
| None          |   |                 |  |
|               |   |                 |  |
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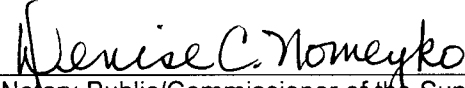
(Attach additional copies of this page as necessary.)

**NOTE:** For each third party fee arrangement described above (if any), complete the attached Form A2a.

4. The information set forth herein is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief under penalty of perjury.

Signed:   
Name (Print): **Melvin A. Simon**  
Title: **Principal**

Sworn to before me this 27 day of February 20 14

  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court  
My Commission Expires 6/30/2014

<sup>1</sup> Please attach documents evidencing the terms of the fee arrangement and services.



**ADDENDUM TO  
AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES  
(Form A2a)**

For each third party fee arrangement disclosed in the attached Affidavit, please explain whether and how each such payment falls within one or more of the following categories of compensation:

- (1) Compensation earned for the rendering of legal services when provided by an attorney while engaged in the ongoing practice of law;
- (2) Compensation earned for the rendering of investment services, other than legal services, when provided by an investment professional while engaged in the ongoing business of providing investment services;
- (3) Compensation for placement agent, due diligence or comparable tangible marketing services when paid to a person who is an investment professional (i) engaged in the ongoing business of representing providers of investment services, or (ii) in connection with the issuance of bonds, notes or other evidence of indebtedness by a public agency;
- (4) Compensation earned by a licensed real estate broker or real estate salesperson while engaging in the real estate business on an ongoing basis; or
- (5) Payments for client solicitation activities meeting the requirements of Rule 206(4)-3 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

***Attach additional pages as necessary.***

## **AFFIDAVIT CONCERNING NONDISCRIMINATION**

Attached hereto and made part hereof this Exhibit H is the Affidavit Concerning Nondiscrimination that was submitted by the Consultant.



## AFFIDAVIT CONCERNING NONDISCRIMINATION

This Affidavit must be completed and properly executed under penalty of false statement by a chief executive officer, president, chairperson, member or other corporate officer duly authorized to adopt company, corporate or partnership policy of the business entity submitting a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority that certifies such business entity complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranties contained in Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-60(a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended, regarding nondiscrimination against persons on account of their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental disability, physical disability or sexual orientation.

I, the undersigned, am over the age of eighteen and understand and appreciate the obligation of an oath. I am **Principal** (title) of **Cohn Birnbaum & Shea P.C.** (firm name), an entity duly formed and existing under the laws of **Connecticut** (name of state or commonwealth) ("Contractor").

I certify that I am authorized to execute and deliver this affidavit on behalf of Contractor, as follows:

1. Contractor seeks to enter into the "Legal Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority; and
2. Contractor has in place a company or corporate policy that complies with the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-60(a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended, and the said company or corporate policy is in effect as of the date hereof.

By (Signature):

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin A. Simon".

Name (Print): **Melvin A. Simon**

Title: **Principal**

Sworn to before me this 27 day of **February** 20 14

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise C. Nomenko".  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

6/30/2014  
Commission Expiration Date

Sections 4a-60(a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes follow.

**Sec. 4a-60. (Formerly Sec. 4-114a). Nondiscrimination and affirmative action provisions in contracts of the state and political subdivisions other than municipalities.**

- (a) Every contract to which the state or any political subdivision of the state other than a municipality is a party shall contain the following provisions:
  - (1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut; and the contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved;

**Sec. 4a-60a. Contracts of the state and political subdivisions, other than municipalities, to contain provisions re nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.**

- (a) Every contract to which the state or any political subdivision of the state other than a municipality is a party shall contain the following provisions:
  - (1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation;



## IRAN CERTIFICATION FORM

Attached hereto and made part hereof this Exhibit I is the Iran Certification Form that was submitted by the Consultant.



**IRAN CERTIFICATION FORM (OPM Form 7)**

This form must be completed and properly executed under penalty of false statement by a chief executive officer, president, chairperson, member or other corporate officer duly authorized to adopt company, corporate or partnership policy of the business entity submitting a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority.

I, Melvin A. Simon, Principal of Cohn Birnbaum & Shea P.C. (hereafter "Respondent") an entity duly formed and existing under the laws of Connecticut, being duly sworn, hereby depose that:

- i. I am over the age of eighteen and understand and appreciate the obligations of an oath
- ii. Respondent seeks to enter into the "Legal Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority; and
- iii. Respondent hereby certifies as follows:

**Section 1: APPLICABILITY**

**Check applicable box** (must be completed regardless of where the Respondent's principal place of business is located):

Respondent's principal place of business is within the United States or Respondent is a United States subsidiary of a foreign corporation. Respondents who check this box **are not required to complete the Section 2: Certification portion of this form, but are still required to complete Section 3 of this form.**

Respondent's principal place of business is outside the United States and it is not a United States subsidiary of a foreign corporation. **Respondents who check this box are required to complete all sections of this form.**

Please complete this form as specified in this Section 1 and submit it with the RFB, RFP or RFQ response or contract package if there was no RFB, FRP, or RFQ process.

**Additional definitions.**

- 1) "Large state contract" has the same meaning as defined in section 4-250 of the Connecticut General Statutes;
- 2) "Respondent" means the person whose name is set forth at the beginning of this form; and
- 3) "State agency" and "quasi-public agency" have the same meanings as provided in section 1-79 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

## Section 2: CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to P.A. No. 13-162, upon submission of a bid, or prior to executing a large state contract if no bid process was conducted, **the certification portion of this form must be completed** by any corporation, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, joint venture, nonprofit organization or other business organization **whose principal place of business is located outside of the United States**. United States subsidiaries of foreign corporations are exempt. For purposes of this form, a "foreign corporation" is one that is organized and incorporated outside the United States of America.

### CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned, am the official authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the Respondent. I certify that:

Respondent has made no direct investments of twenty million dollars or more in the energy sector of Iran on or after October 1, 2013, as described in Section 202 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability and Divestment Act of 2010.

Respondent has either made direct investments of twenty million dollars or more in the energy sector of Iran on or after October 1, 2013, as described in Section 202 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability and Divestment Act of 2010, or Respondent made such an investment prior to October 1, 2013 and has now increased or renewed such an investment on or after said date, or both.

## Section 3: AFFIRMATION

Note: This Section 3 must be completed even if Section 2 of this form was not required based on the responses in Section 1 of this form.

Sworn as true to the best of my knowledge and belief, subject to the penalties of false statement.

Cohn Birnbaum & Shea P.C.  
Printed Respondent Name

Melvin A. Simon  
Printed Name of Authorized Official

  
Signature of Authorized Official

Subscribed and acknowledged before me this 27 day of February, 2014.

Denise C. Nomeyko  
Commissioner of the Superior Court (or Notary Public)  
My commission expires 6/30/2014

## AFFIDAVIT CONCERNING CONSULTING FEES

Pursuant to Section 4a-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes, this Affidavit must be completed and properly executed under penalty of false statement by a chief official of the successful bidder/proposer/statement of qualifications submitter for an Agreement (the "Contractor"). Such chief official of the Contractor must be the person who is properly authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Contractor. This Affidavit must be properly executed at the same time that the Contractor executes the Agreement. If the Contractor fails to execute this Affidavit, the Contractor shall be disqualified for the Agreement.

I, the undersigned, am over the age of eighteen and understand and appreciate the obligation of an oath. I am a Principal (title) of Cohn Birnbaum + Shea P.C. (firm name), an entity duly formed and existing under the laws of Connecticut (name of state or commonwealth) ("Contractor").

I certify that I am authorized to execute and deliver this affidavit on behalf of Contractor, as follows:

1. Contractor seeks to enter into the "Legal Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") with the Materials Innovation And Recycling Authority ("MIRA");
2. Except as disclosed in Table 1 below and except for a consulting agreement that is with a consultant who is registered under the provisions of Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes<sup>1</sup> as of the date this Affidavit is submitted, Contractor has not entered into any consulting agreement<sup>2</sup> in connection with the Agreement whereby any duties of the consultant pursuant to said consulting agreement<sup>2</sup> require that consultant pursue communications concerning business of MIRA, whether or not direct contact with MIRA, a MIRA official, a MIRA employee, a state agency, a state or public official, or a state employee was expected or made;
3. Contractor shall amend this Affidavit whenever Contractor enters into any new consulting agreement<sup>2</sup> during the term of the Agreement; and
4. The statements set forth herein are true, to the best of my knowledge and belief, subject to the penalties of false statement.

<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Section 1-94 of Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes, a lobbyist as defined in the Chapter is required to register with the Office of State Ethics.

<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Section 41-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes, for the purposes of this Affidavit, "consulting agreement" means "any written or oral agreement to retain the services, for a fee, of a consultant for the purposes of (A) providing counsel to a contractor, vendor, consultant or other entity seeking to conduct, or conducting, business with the state, (B) contacting, whether in writing or orally, any executive, judicial, or administrative office of the state, including any department, institution, bureau, board, commission, authority, official or employee for the purpose of solicitation, dispute resolution, introduction, requests for information, or (C) any other similar activity related to such contract. Consulting agreement does not include any agreements entered into with a consultant who is registered under the provisions of chapter 10 as of the date such affidavit is submitted in accordance with the provisions of this section.

**TABLE 1: Disclosure of Consulting Agreements**

(If Contractor has not entered into any consulting agreements<sup>2</sup> in connection with the Agreement, Contractor should enter “None” in the space provided for the “Name of Consultant.”)

|  |                              |                             |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Name of Consultant:  | NONE                         |                             |
| Name of Consultant's Firm:   |                              |                             |
| Description of the Basic Terms of the Consulting Agreement:  |                              |                             |
| Brief Description of the Services Provided:  |                              |                             |
| Is the Consultant a Former State Employee or Public Official?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| If the answer to the question above concerning whether or not the consultant is a former state employee or public official is “Yes,” the following information must be provided. |                              |                             |
| Name of Former Agency:   |                              |                             |
| Date Employment Terminated:  |                              |                             |

By (Signature): 

Name (Print): Melvin A. Simon

Title: Principal

Sworn to before me this 18th day of June 20 14.

  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

4/30/2017  
Commission Expiration Date

**KAREN C. SEAMAN**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 30, 2017**

## CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION CONCERNING GIFTS

### LEGAL SERVICES

(This CERTIFICATION is to be signed by an authorized officer of the Contractor or the Contractor's managing general partner.)

Section 4-252 of the *Connecticut General Statutes* requires that a Contractor (i.e., the successful bidder/proposer/statement of qualifications submitter for an Agreement) complete and properly execute this Certification Concerning Gifts at the same time that the Contractor executes the Agreement. If the Contractor fails to make the required certifications, the Contractor shall be disqualified for the Agreement.

I, Melvin A. Simon, a duly authorized officer and/or representative of Cohn Birnbaum + Shea P.C. (firm name) (the "Contractor"), being duly sworn, hereby depose and say that:

1. I am over eighteen (18) years of age and believe in the obligations of an oath; and
2. The Contractor has submitted a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications for the "Legal Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") to the Materials Innovation And Recycling Authority ("MIRA"), has been selected by MIRA as the successful bidder/proposer/statement of qualifications submitter for the Agreement and is prepared to enter into the Agreement with MIRA; and
3. No gifts were made between December 1, 2013 and the date of execution of the Agreement, by
  - (a) The Contractor,
  - (b) Any principals and key personnel of the Contractor who participated substantially in preparing the Contractor's bid/proposal/statement of qualifications for or the negotiation of the Agreement, or
  - (c) Any agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel who participated substantially in preparing the Contractor's bid/proposal/statement of qualifications for or the negotiation of the Agreementto
  - (1) Any public official or employee of MIRA who participated substantially in the preparation of the bid/proposal/qualifications solicitation for or the negotiation or award of the Agreement (such MIRA employees are listed in Table 2 below), or
  - (2) Any public official or state employee of any state agency who has supervisory or appointing authority over MIRA (such public officials and state employees are listed in Table 3 below); and

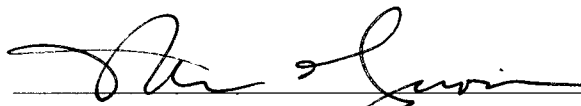
4. No such principals and key personnel of the Contractor or agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel knows of any action by Contractor to circumvent the prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the Contractor to provide a gift to any such public official or state employee; and
5. The Contractor made the bid/proposal/statement of qualifications for the Agreement without fraud or collusion with any person;
6. The information set forth herein is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief, subject to the penalties of false statement.

**TABLE 2: MIRA Substantial Participants in the Preparation of the Request for Bids/Proposals for the Agreement**

|  |
|--|
| Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services          |
| Roger Guzowski, Contract and Procurement Manager |
| Thomas Kirk, President                           |
|  |

**TABLE 3: Public Officials and State Employees of State Agencies Who Have Supervisory or Appointing Authority over MIRA**

|   |
|---|
| Governor Dannel P. Malloy   |
| Senator Donald E. Williams, Jr., President Pro Tempore of the Senate                    |
| Senator John McKinney, Minority Leader of the Senate                                    |
| Representative Brendan Sharkey, Speaker of the House of Representatives                 |
| Representative Lawrence F. Cafero, Jr., Minority Leader of the House of Representatives |

Signature:   
 Name (type/print): Melvin A. Simon  
 Title: Principal  
 State Of: Connecticut  
 County Of: Hartford

Melvin A. Simon, being fully sworn, deposes and says that he/she is the Principal (Title) of Cohn, Birnbaum & Shea P.C. (Firm Name), the Contractor herein, that he/she has read the foregoing statement concerning gifts, and, under the penalty of perjury, certifies that each and every part of said statement is true to his/her best knowledge and belief.

Sworn to before me this 18th day of June 2014.

  
 Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

**KAREN C. SEAMAN**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 30, 2017

For the purposes of this Certification Concerning Gifts, the following terms are defined as follows:

"Gift" means anything of value, which is directly and personally received, unless consideration of equal or greater value is given in return. "Gift" shall not include:

- (1) A political contribution otherwise reported as required by law or a donation or payment as described in subdivision (9) or (10) of subsection (b) of section 9-601a of the *Connecticut General Statutes*;
- (2) Services provided by persons volunteering their time, if provided to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any candidate or candidates for public office or the position of convention delegate or town committee member or any referendum question;
- (3) A commercially reasonable loan made on terms not more favorable than loans made in the ordinary course of business;
- (4) A gift received from (A) an individual's spouse, fiance or fiancée, (B) the parent, brother or sister of such spouse or such individual, or (C) the child of such individual or the spouse of such child;
- (5) Goods or services (A) which are provided to a state agency or quasi-public agency (i) for use on state or quasi-public agency property, or (ii) that support an event, and (B) which facilitate state or quasi-public agency action or functions. As used in this Affidavit Concerning Gifts, "state property" means (i) property owned by the state or a quasi-public agency, or (ii) property leased to a state agency or quasi-public agency;
- (6) A certificate, plaque or other ceremonial award costing less than one hundred dollars;
- (7) A rebate, discount or promotional item available to the general public;
- (8) Printed or recorded informational material germane to state action or functions;
- (9) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars in the aggregate per recipient in a calendar year, and consumed on an occasion or occasions at which the person paying, directly or indirectly, for the food or beverage, or his representative, is in attendance;
- (10) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars per person and consumed at a publicly noticed legislative reception to which all members of the General Assembly are invited and which is hosted not more than once in any calendar year by a lobbyist or business organization. For the purposes of such limit, (A) a reception hosted by a lobbyist who is an individual shall be deemed to have also been hosted by the business organization which he owns or is employed by, and (B) a reception hosted by a business organization shall be deemed to have also been hosted by all owners and employees of the business organization who are lobbyists. In making the calculation for the purposes of such fifty-dollar limit, the donor shall divide the amount spent on food and beverage by the number of persons whom the donor reasonably expects to attend the reception;
- (11) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars per person and consumed at a publicly noticed reception to which all members of the General Assembly from a region of the state are

invited and which is hosted not more than once in any calendar year by a lobbyist or business organization. For the purposes of such limit, (A) a reception hosted by a lobbyist who is an individual shall be deemed to have also been hosted by the business organization which he owns or is employed by, and (B) a reception hosted by a business organization shall be deemed to have also been hosted by all owners and employees of the business organization who are lobbyists. In making the calculation for the purposes of such fifty-dollar limit, the donor shall divide the amount spent on food and beverage by the number of persons whom the donor reasonably expects to attend the reception. As used in this subdivision, "region of the state" means the established geographic service area of the organization hosting the reception;

- (12) Gifts costing less than one hundred dollars in the aggregate or food or beverage provided at a hospitality suite at a meeting or conference of an interstate legislative association, by a person who is not a registrant or is not doing business with the state of Connecticut;
- (13) Admission to a charitable or civic event, including food and beverage provided at such event, but excluding lodging or travel expenses, at which a public official or state employee participates in his official capacity, provided such admission is provided by the primary sponsoring entity;
- (14) Anything of value provided by an employer of (A) a public official, (B) a state employee, or (C) a spouse of a public official or state employee, to such official, employee or spouse, provided such benefits are customarily and ordinarily provided to others in similar circumstances; or
- (15) Anything having a value of not more than ten dollars, provided the aggregate value of all things provided by a donor to a recipient under this subdivision in any calendar year shall not exceed fifty dollars.
- (16) Training that is provided by a vendor for a product purchased by a state or quasi-public agency which is offered to all customers of such vendor; or
- (17) Travel expenses, lodging, food, beverage and other benefits customarily provided by a prospective employer, when provided to a student at a public institution of higher education whose employment is derived from such student's status as a student at such institution, in connection with bona fide employment discussions.

"Participated substantially" means participation that is direct, extensive and substantive, and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial.

"Principals and key personnel" means officers, directors, shareholders, members, partners and managerial employees.



**PRESIDENT'S CERTIFICATION CONCERNING GIFTS**

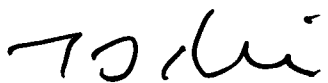
**LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

**Awarded To**

**COHN BIRNBAUM & SHEA, P.C.**

(This CERTIFICATION is to be signed by the President of MIRA  
at the time the Agreement is executed by him/her.)

By submission of this Certification, the President of the Materials Innovation And Recycling Authority ("MIRA") hereby certifies that the selection of the most qualified or highest ranked person, firm or corporation for the "Legal Services Agreement" was not the result of collusion, the giving of a gift or the promise of a gift, compensation, fraud or inappropriate influence from any person.

Signature: 

Name: **Thomas D. Kirk**


Title: **President**

State Of: **Connecticut**

County Of: **Hartford**

Thomas D. Kirk, being fully sworn, deposes and says that he is the President of the Materials Innovation And Recycling Authority, that he has read the forgoing statement concerning collusion, the giving of gifts or the promise of gifts, compensation, fraud or inappropriate influence and, under the penalty of perjury, certifies that each and every part of said statement is true.

Sworn to before me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 20 14

  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

**VICKI F. ARNUM**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 30, 2016