

The State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

November 6, 2023

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services to amend an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant (PO# 1090411) to Iron Wheel, LLC in Danville, NH (VC# 415410-B001), by extending the completion date to June 1, 2025, from December 1, 2023, and reducing the grant limitation by \$404,200 to \$102,000, from \$506,200. The original grant was approved by Governor and Executive Council on January 18, 2023, Item #81. This is a time extension and grant reduction. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

We are requesting approval of this amendment to provide Iron Wheel, LLC adequate time to perform the oneyear operation and maintenance optimization from the time of treatment system install to ensure safe drinking water quality. The reduction in the grant allotment is due to a change in scope that resulted in a redesign of the treatment plan, allowing Iron Wheel to install a full treatment system to reduce PFAS concentrations to meet the EPA proposed MCLs through a more cost effective manner. The change in scope extended the timeframe needed for operation and maintenance optimization out to June of 2025.

Iron Wheel, LLC was awarded grant funding to install point of entry treatment in each existing pumphouse to address per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) present within their two sources of drinking water. Grant funds will be used for the engineering design, installation of treatment, engineering design and construction phase observation and other associated eligible project costs.

To date, \$95,189.67 of the original \$506,200 grant has been spent. In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

We respectfully request your approval of this item.

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Robert R. Scott Commissioner

Grant Agreement with Iron Wheel, LLC American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Amendment No. 1

This Agreement (hereinafter called the Amendment) dated this 23rd day of Department, is by and between the State of New Hampshire, acting by and through its Department of Environmental Services (hereinafter referred to as the State), and Iron Wheel, LLC, acting by and through its Assistant Manager, Michelle Lapierre (hereinafter referred to as the Grantee).

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Agreement (hereinafter called the Agreement) approved by the Governor and Council on January 18, 2023, the Grantee agreed to perform certain services upon the terms and conditions specified in the Agreement and in consideration of payment by the State of certain sums as specified therein; and

WHEREAS, The Grantee and the State have agreed to amend the Agreement in certain respects;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and the covenants and conditions contained in the Agreement and set forth herein, the parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Amendment and Modification of Agreement</u>: The Agreement is hereby amended as follows:
 - (A) The Completion Date as set forth in sub-paragraph 1.7 of the Agreement shall be changed to June 1, 2025, from December 1, 2023.
 - (B) The Grant Limitation as set forth in sub-paragraph 1.8 of the Agreement shall be reduced to \$102,000, from \$506,200.
 - (C) The grant award as set forth in the third paragraph of Exhibit C shall be reduced to \$102,000, from \$506,200.
- 2. <u>Effective Date of Amendment</u>; This Amendment shall take effect upon the date of approval of this Amendment by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire.
- 3. <u>Continuance of Agreement</u>: Except as specifically amended and modified by the terms and conditions of this Amendment, the Agreement, and the obligations of the parties thereunder, shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

PFAS Remediation Grant and Loan Fund Grant Agreement Amendment No. 1 PRLF-23 Iron Wheel, LLC Page 1 of 2

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

GRANTEE

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Michelle Lapierre, Assistant Manager

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNTY OF BOCKMONAM On this the 23^{cd} day of 0^{cd} , before the undersigned officer, personally appeared Michelle Lagerenewho acknowledged herself to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

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My Commission Expires: March 3,202



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Department of Environmental Services

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Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

Approved by Attorney General this $\frac{8^{\text{fk}}}{8^{\text{cm}}}$ day of $\frac{1003}{1000}$, as to form, substance and execution.

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CERTIFICATE OF VOTE OF AUTHORIZATION GRANTS ONLY



American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

A Certificate of Vote of Authorization (COV) is a certificate that states that a grantee is willing to enter into a grant agreement with the State of NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) and that whoever signs the Grant Agreement (provided under separate cover) has the authority to do so. **Do not complete this form until you have received a Grant Agreement from NHDES. Follow the steps below**:

- Following a funding offer from NHDES, obtain the authority to accept grant funds and assign an Authorized Representative (AR) from the grantees governing body. This will likely require a vote at a meeting of the governing body. A vote may take place any time prior to execution of the Grant Agreement.
- 2. Once the Grant Agreement has been received from NHDES, someone other than the AR (who can certify actions taken at the referenced meeting) completes and signs the COV. The AR cannot sign the COV. The COV must be signed and notarized on the same date as, or within 30 days of, when the AR signs the Grant Agreement. The 30-day window applies to either side of the execution date.
- 3. The AR signs the Grant Agreement and initials and dates the bottom of each page including the Exhibits.
- 4. Mail original COV and Grant Agreement documents to program contact at NHDES.

Certificate of Vote of Authorization

IRON WHEEL, LLC 44 Sudbury Road, Danville, NH 03819

I, Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997, the Sole Member of Iron Wheel, LLC do hereby certify that at a meeting held on October $\mathcal{Y}_{\mathcal{P}}$, 2023, the Sole Member of the LLC voted to enter into a PFAS Remediation Loan Fund (PFAS RLF) grant agreement with the New Hampshire Department Environmental Services to fund a Drinking Water improvement project.

Iron Wheel, LLC further authorized Michelle Lapierre the Assistant Manager to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this grant agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997, Sole Member of Iron Wheel, LLC, the _____ day of October 2023.

Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t date April 11, 1997, Sole Member

Signature:

NHDES-C-10-003



CERTIFICATE OF VOTE OF AUTHORIZATION GRANTS ONLY



American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

On this <u>Z3</u> day of October 2023, <u>CMOURO</u>, before me (Notary Public) the undersigned Officer, personally appeared. Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t date April 11, 1997, who acknowledged herself to be the Sole Member of Iron Wheel, LLC, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained

In witness thereof, I have set my hand and official seal

My commission expires: March 3, 2026

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State of New Hampshire Department of State

CERTIFICATE

I, David M. Scanlan, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that IRON WHEEL, LLC is a New Hampshire Limited Liability Company registered to transact business in New Hampshire on April 07, 1980. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: 19287 Certificate Number: 0006339702



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of New Hampshire, this 30th day of October A.D. 2023.

David M. Scanlan Secretary of State

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The State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner



December 1, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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FY 2023 \$506,200

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to award a grant to Iron Wheel LLC (VC# 415410-B001), Danville, NH in the amount not to exceed \$506,200 to finance installation of point of entry to remediate per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), effective upon Governor & Council approval through December 1, 2023. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the following account:

03-44-44-440010-2476-072-500574

Dept. Environmental Services, ARPA Program, Grants Federal Activity Code: 00FRF602WB44010

EXPLANATION

The grant is funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. ARPA is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill passed by the 117th United States Congress and signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, to speed up the United States' recovery from the economic health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant recession. The Act defines eligible uses of the state and local funding, including responding to public health emergencies, responding to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 emergency, providing revenue relief to states and making investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure. ARPA provides funding for costs incurred after March 3, 2021.

NHDES approved grant funding up to \$506,200 for Iron Wheel, LLC to install point of entry treatment in each existing pumphouse to address PFAS contamination above NH drinking water standards present within their two sources of drinking water. Grant funds will be used for the engineering design, installation of treatment, engineering design and construction phase observation and other associated eligible project costs. This is an allowable use of ARP FRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

If federal funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program. This grant agreement has been approved by the Attorney General's Office as to form, substance, and execution.

We respectfully request your approval.

Ma Robert R. Scott

Commissioner

DES Website: www.des.nh.gov P.O. Box 95, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, New Hampshire 03302-0095 Telephone: (603) 271-2513 • Fax: (603) 271-5171 • TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby Mutually agree as follows: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1. State Agency Name		1.2. State Agency Addr	
NH Department of Enviro	nmental Services	29 Hazen Drive, Concor	rd, NH 03301
1.3. Grantee Name Iron Wheel , LLC		1.4. Grantee Address 44 Sudbury Rd Danville, N	103819
1.5 Grantee Phone # 603-642-3159	1.6. Account Number 03-44-44-440010-2476-072	1.7. Completion Date December 1, 2023	1.8. Grant Limitation S 506,200
1.9. Grant Officer for S Amy Rousseau, PFAS Res NH Department of Environ	ponse Administrator	1.10. State Agency Tele 603-271-8801	
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2. <u>SCOPE OF WORK</u>: In exchange for grant funds provided by the state of New Hampshire, defing through the Agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT B (the scope of work being hereinafter referred to as "the Project"). AREA COVERED. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in, and with respect to, the State of New Hampshire. 9.2.

EFFECTIVE DATE: COMPLETION OF PROJECT.

1. This Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date on the date of approval of this Agreement by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire if required (block 1.16), or upon 9.3. signature by the State Agency as shown in block 1.14 ("the Effective Date").

- 4.2. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the Project, including all reports 9.4. required by this Agreement, shall be completed in ITS entirety prior to the date in block 1.7 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
- <u>GRANT AMOUNT: LIMITATION ON AMOUNT: VOUCHERS: PAYMENT.</u>
 The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C,
- nttached hereto. 5.2. The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT C.
- 5.3. In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT C, and in consideration 10, of the satisfactory performance of the Project, as determined by the State, and as limited by subparagraph 5.5 of these general provisions, the State shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount. The State shall withhold from the amount otherwise payable to the Grantee under this subparagraph 5.3 those sums required, or permitted, to be withheld pursuant to N.H. RSA 80:7 through 7-c.
- 5.4. The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to 11. the Grantee other than the Grant Amount. 11.
- 5.5. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, 11.1.1 or actually made, hereunder exceed the Grant limitation set forth in block 1.8 of 11.1.2 these general provisions. 11.1.3
- 6. <u>COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS</u>. In 11.1.4 connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all 11.2, statutes, laws regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including 11.2.1 the acquisition of any and all necessary permits and RSA 31-95-b.
- 7. RECORDS and ACCOUNTS.
- 7.1. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency, the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the 11.2.2 Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.
- 7.2. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency pursuant to 11.2.3 subparagraph 7.1, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all 11.2.4 records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits 12. of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data (as that 12.1) term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership
 8. with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these provisions
- 8.1. PERSONNEL.
- The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform 12.2. the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized 8.2. to perform such Project under all applicable laws.
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 The Grantee shall not hire, and it shall not permit any subcontractor, subgrantee, 12.3. or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Project, to hire any person who has a contractual relationship with
 8.3. the State, or who is a State officer or employee, elected or appointed.
- The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant 12.4. 9. Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.
- 9.1. DATA: RETENTION OF DATA: ACCESS.
 - As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things 13. developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations,

computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, paper, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.

No data shall be subject to copyright in the United States or any other country by anyone other than the State.

On and after the Effective Date all data, and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, whichever shall first occur.

The State, and anyone it shall designate, shall have unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute and otherwise use, in whole or in part, all data.

CONDITIONAL NATURE OR AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.

EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES.

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- 11.1. Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):
 - .1 Failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or
 - 2 Failure to submit any report required hereunder; or
- 11.1.3 Failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or
- 11.1.4 Failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.
 - 2. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:
 - 2.1 Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination; and
 - 2.2 Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the Grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee; and 2.3 Set off against any other obligation the State may owe to the Grantee any damages
- the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and
- 1.2.4 Treat the agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.
- TERMINATION.
- In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Project, the Grantee shall deliver to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detail all Project Work performed, and the Grant Amount earned, to and including the date of termination. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall entitle the Grantee to receive that portion of the Grant amount earned to and including the date of termination.
- In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.
- Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or, except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>. No officer, member of employee of the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or

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approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in 17.2, any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof, <u>GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE STATE</u>. In the performance of this Agreement the Grantee, its employees, and any subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the State. Neither the Grantee nor any of its officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the State nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, workmen's compensation or emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS. The Grantee shall not assign, or 19. otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. None of the Project Work shall be subcontracted or subgranted by the Grantee other than as set forth in Exhibit B without the prior written consent of the State. 20.

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- INDEMNIFICATION. The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf 21. of any person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which
- may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee or subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant shall survive the termination of this agreement.
- 17. INSURANCE.
 17.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall 23. require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
- 17.1.1 Statutory workers' compensation and employees liability insurance for all 24. employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and
- 17.1.2 General liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries; death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and

- The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of each insurance policy.
- WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure of waiver shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other default on the part of the Grantee. <u>NOTICE</u>. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses first above given.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire, if required or by the signing State Agency.

- <u>CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS</u>. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intend of the parties hereto.
- THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.
- ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating hereto
- SPECIAL PROVISIONS. The additional or modifying provisions set forth in Exhibit A hereto are incorporated as part of this agreement.

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EXHIBIT A SPECIAL PROVISIONS

I. NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS This Agreement is funded under a grant to the State of New Hampshire (State) and subsequently through the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) as approved by the Governor and Executive Council from the federal government through the Department of Treasury (Treasury) through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), with the source of funds being the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) identified under the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number #21.027. The Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) for this award is SLFRP0145. This grant award is a subaward of SLFRF funds and any and all compliance requirements, as updated by Treasury, for use of SLFRF funds are applicable to the Subrecipient, without further notice. Treasury requirements are published and updated at <u>https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribalgovernments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds</u>.

FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY and TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA). The Subrecipient shall comply with the terms of the FFATA by providing NHDES with their Unique Entity Identifier (Unique Entity ID), and all applicable Executive Compensation Data Information as required under the FFATA. A Unique Entity ID may be obtained by visiting <u>https://www.sam.gov</u>.

SAM REGISTRATION: The Subrecipient must have an active registration with the System for Award Management (SAM) (<u>https://www.sam.gov</u>).

GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES: The Subrecipient, if a governmental entity, shall maintain project accounts in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), including standards relating to the reporting of infrastructure assets as issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The full text of Governmental Accounting Reporting Standards is available through the GASB website at: <u>http://www.gasb.org</u>

RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS: The Subrecipient must maintain records and financial documents for five years after all funds have been expended or returned to the State and/or Treasury. Treasury may request transfer of records of long-term value at the end of such period. Wherever practicable, such records should be collected, transmitted, and stored in open and machine-readable formats.

Subrecipient must agree to provide or make available such records to the State and Treasury upon request, and to the Government Accountability Office ("GAO"), Treasury's Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), and their authorized representative in order to conduct audits or other investigations.

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SINGLE AUDIT REQUIREMENTS: Recipients and subrecipients that expend more than \$750,000 in Federal awards during their fiscal year will be subject to an audit under the Single Audit Act and its implementing regulation at 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F regarding audit requirements. Recipients and subrecipients may also refer to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplements for audits of federal funds and related guidance and the Federal Audit Clearinghouse to see examples and single audit submissions.

CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE: The sub-grantee, contractor, subcontractor, successor, transferee, and assignee shall comply, and shall include in every contract or agreement funded with these funds this same requirement to comply, with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract (or agreement). Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract (or agreement). Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, and herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract or agreement.

In order to carry out its enforcement responsibilities under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, NHDES may collect and review information from subrecipients to ascertain their compliance with the applicable requirements before and after providing financial assistance. Treasury's implementing regulations, 31 CFR part 22, and the Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations, Coordination of Non-discrimination in Federally Assisted Programs, 28 CFR part 42, provide for the collection of data and information from recipients and subrecipients (see 28 CFR 42.406).

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: All funds are subject to statutory requirements that they must be used for costs incurred by the recipient during the period that begins on March 3, 2021, and ends on December 31, 2024, and that award funds for the financial obligations incurred by December 31, 2024 must be expended by December 31, 2026.

PROCUREMENT, SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT: Recipients are responsible for ensuring that any procurement using SLFRF funds, or payments under procurement contracts using such funds are consistent with the procurement standards set forth in the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR 200.317 through 2 CFR 200.327, as applicable. The Uniform Guidance establishes in 2 CFR 200.319 that all procurement transactions for property or services must be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition, consistent with standards outlined in 2 CFR 200.320, which allows for non-competitive procurements only in circumstances where at least one of the conditions below is true: the item is below the micro-purchase threshold; the item is only available from a single source; the public exigency or emergency will not permit a delay from publicizing a competitive solicitation; or after solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined inadequate. Subrecipients must have and use documented procurement procedures that are consistent with the standards outlined in 2 CFR 200.317

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through 2 CFR 200.320.

Subrecipient shall fully comply with Subpart C of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 entitled, "Responsibilities of Participants Regarding Transactions Doing Business With Other Persons," as implemented and supplemented by 2 C.F.R. Part 1532. subrecipient is responsible for ensuring that any lower tier covered transaction, as described in Subpart B of 2 C.F.R. Part 180, entitled "Covered Transactions," and 2 C.F.R. § 1532.220, includes a term or condition requiring compliance with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, Subpart C. subrecipient is responsible for further requiring the inclusion of a similar term and condition in any subsequent lower tier covered transactions, subrecipient acknowledges that failing to disclose the information required under 2 C.F.R. § 180.335 to NHDES may result in the delay or negation of this assistance agreement, or pursuance of administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment. Subrecipients may access the System for Award Management (SAM) exclusion list at https://sam.gov/SAM/ to determine whether an entity or individual is presently excluded or disqualified.

By entering into this agreement, the subrecipient certifies that the subrecipient is not debarred or suspended. Furthermore, the subrecipient certifies that no part of this contract will be subcontracted to a debarred or suspended person or firm.

DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS (2 C.F.R. 5 200.322) As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, to the greatest extent practicable, there is a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all <u>subawards</u> including all <u>contracts</u> and purchase orders for work or products under this award.

For purposes of this section:

- (1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- (2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT:

As required by 2 CFR 200.216, subrecipients, are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to procure or obtain; extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as

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critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities). Recipients, Subrecipients, and borrowers also may not use federal funds to purchase:

a. For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

b. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

c. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Consistent with 2 CFR 200.471, costs incurred for telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment such as phones, internet, video surveillance, and cloud servers are allowable except for the following circumstances:

a. Obligating or expending funds for covered telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment or services as described in 2 CFR 200.216 to:

(1) Procure or obtain, extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain;

(2) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure; or

(3) Obtain the equipment, services, or systems. Certain prohibited equipment, systems, or services, including equipment, systems, or services produced or provided by entities identified in section 889, are recorded in the System for Award Management exclusion list which can be found at <u>https://www.sam.gov/SAM/pages/public/index.isf</u>

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: For all projects listed under the Water and Sewer Expenditure Categories (see Table below), detailed project-level information is required.

5.1	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment	
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance	
5.3	Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	
5.4	Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	a the second
5.5	Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure	

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All Clean Water and Drinking Water infrastructure projects:

- Projected/actual construction start date (month/year)
- Projected/actual initiation of operations date (month/year)
- Location (for broadband, geospatial location data)

For water and sewer projects:

- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Number (if applicable; for projects aligned with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund)
- Public Water System (PWS) ID number (if applicable; for projects aligned with the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund)

II. FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO ARPA INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS OVER \$10M

For projects over \$10 million (based on expected total cost) a recipient shall provide a certification that, for the relevant project, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors in the performance of such project are paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing, as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the "Davis-Bacon Act"), for the corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on projects of a character similar to the contract work in the civil subdivision of the State (or the District of Columbia) in which the work is to be performed. All contracts and subcontracts for the construction of treatment works shall insert in full in any contract the standard Davis-Bacon contract clause as specified by 29 CFR §5.5(a).

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III. OTHER SPECIAL PROVISIONS

A. In addition to the above special provisions, the following provisions as required by federal regulations apply to this Agreement:

1. *Financial management*. The Contractor shall comply with 2 CFR part 200 Subpart D and the specific standards regarding financial reporting, accounting records, internal control, budget control, allowable cost, source documentation, and cash management outlined therein.

- 2. Allowable costs. All costs charged to this Agreement shall be eligible, necessary, and reasonable for performing the tasks outlined in the approved project scope of services. The costs, including match, shall be incurred during the period of performance of the project, and shall be allowable, meaning that the costs must conform to specific federal requirements detailed in 2 CFR part 200 Subpart E.
- 3. Property Management. The Contractor shall comply with the property management and procedures detailed in 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D.
- 4. Restrictions on Lobbying. The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 15 CFR part 28 and 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E which prohibit the use of federal Contract funds to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal employee, and requires the submission of Standard Form LLL ("Disclosure of Lobbying Activities") if nonfederal funds have been used to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal employee.
- 5. Drug-Free Workplace. The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 2 CFR part 1329 which require that as a condition of the Agreement, certification that they maintain a drug-free workplace. By signing and submitting the Agreement, the Contractor certifies that he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity associated with the Agreement.
- 6. Protection for Whistleblowers. The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 41 U.S.C. §471 regarding Whistleblower protections. As described in 41 USC §471 "an employee of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, or subgrantee or personal services contractor may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing to a person or body described in paragraph (2) information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a Federal contract or grant, a gross waste of Federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a Federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant."

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EXHIBIT B SCOPE OF SERVICES

Iron Wheel, LLC will use the grant funds to install point of entry treatment in each existing pumphouse to address per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS") present within their two sources of drinking water. Grant funds will be used for the engineering design, installation of treatment, engineering design and construction phase observation and other associated eligible project costs.

As a requirement of this grant funding, Iron Wheel, LLC is required to develop and adhere to an asset maintenance and renewal plan for the funded improvements and provide documentation supporting this requirement.

This Agreement consists of the following documents: Exhibits A, B, C, and attachments, which are all incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

EXHIBIT C

BUDGET & PAYMENT METHOD

The NHDES shall pay to the Grantee the total reimbursable program costs in accordance with the following requirements:

Reimbursement requests for program costs shall be made no more than once per calendar month by the Grantee using the Request for Disbursement form as supplied by the NHDES, which shall be completed and signed by the Grantee. The disbursement form shall be accompanied by proper supporting documentation based upon direct costs. The Grantee will maintain adequate documentation to substantiate all Program related costs. All work shall be performed to the satisfaction of the NHDES before payment is made.

The total reimbursement shall not exceed the grant award of \$506,200. Each disbursement request for costs incurred after March 3, 2021 will be paid 100% grant funds up to \$506,200.

Changes to the Scope of Services require NHDES approval in advance. Work must be completed and request for reimbursement must be made by the completion date listed on the grant agreement (section 1.7).

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A Certificate agreement with the State of NH Department of Environmental Services and that whoever signs the Grant Agreement (provided under separate cover) has the authority to do so. This is a 3-person form:

Completed and signed by someone other than the person being given authority.

Must be notarized.

Original is required for submittal.

Certificate of Vote of Authorization

IRON WHEEL, LLC 44 Sudbury Rd, Danville, NH 03819

I, Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997 of the Iron Wheel, LLC (the "LLC") do hereby certify that at a meeting held on 10 29 , 2022, the Sole Member of the LLC voted to enter into a DWGTF and PFAS RLF grant agreement with the New Hampshire Department Environmental Services to fund a water system improvement project.

The Iron Wheel, LLC further authorized Michelle Lapierre, Assistant Manager to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this grant agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997, Sole Member of Iron Wheel, LLC, the 15th day of <u>Noverber</u>, 2022.

Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997, Sole Member

Signature:

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, County of Rockingham

On this 1st day of november 2022, Lois J. Walcos, Thistee before me (Notary Public) the undersigned Officer, personally appeared. Lois J. Waters, Trustee of the Thomas Waters Family Trust u/d/t dated April 11, 1997, who acknowledged herself to be the Sole Member (TITLE) of Iron Wheel, LLC, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained.

In witness thereof, I have set my hand and official seal.

Notary Public GICL My commission expires:

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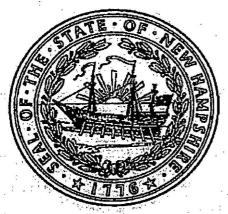
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CERTIFICATE

I, David M. Scanlan, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that IRON WHEEL, LLC is a New Hampshire Limited Liability Company registered to transact business in New Hampshire on April 07, 1980. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: 19287 Certificate Number: 0005894756



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of New Hampshire, this 9th day of November A.D. 2022.

David M. Scanlan Secretary of State