## PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made and entered into by and between Marshall County Fiscal Court (hereafter "Applicant") and the Delta Regional Authority (hereafter "DRA").

## WITNESSETH

WHEREAS,	Marshall	County	Fiscal	Court	(hereafter	"Awardee")	filed	an
Application for a aw	ard with I	ORA enti	itled So	uthwes	t One Alte	rnate Entranc	e bear	ing
reference number		in th	e amou	nt of \$4	07,000 on o	or about May	18, 20	21;
and								

WHEREAS, the Applicant will directly benefit from this Award; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government is results oriented which led to the Office of Management and Budget announcement of the President's Management Agenda in the summer of 2001, that includes an aggressive strategy for improving the management of the Federal government; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, of mutual promises of the parties hereto and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which hereby are acknowledged, the Applicant and DRA hereby agree to the following:

## 1. Definitions.

- a. <u>Application</u> The documents, forms, certifications, engineering reports, company financial statements, and other information submitted by the Awardee to DRA regarding the Project.
- b. <u>Capital Expenditures</u> The funds expended by the Company (or lessor) for new real and personal property improvements related to the Project.
- c. <u>Financial Statements</u> Current and/or projected balance sheets, profit and loss, cash flow and other financial information about the Company at this location. Such projections must be consistent with those submitted to lenders, stockholders, partners, or other parties having an interest in the Company.
- d. <u>Award Agreement</u> An agreement between the Awardee and DRA defining the conditions of this Project.
- e. <u>Award</u> The award funded by DRA bearing the reference number above.
- f. Awardee The public or non-profit entity that submitted an application to DRA for funding.
- g. <u>Project</u> The construction, reconstruction, purchase, and/or installation of buildings, machinery, equipment, utilities, streets,

furniture, and other real estate or personal property improvements to be located at the site indicated in the Application, whether owned or leased by the Company or Awardee, as detailed in the Application.

- Accuracy The Applicant has reviewed the entire contents of the Application including all attachments, except for information that pertains to other companies that may be included, and hereby certifies that all information that relates to the Applicant is true and accurate, and can be verified upon request by proper official of DRA or the Applicant.
- 3. Access to Records The Applicant agrees to provide reasonable access to applicant records by proper officials of DRA and the Applicant in order to verify information submitted in this Application and requirements set forth in this Agreement. "Reasonable access" shall be considered access at the applicant's normal business hours with at least three days notice by DRA or the Applicant.
- <u>DRA/Civil Rights</u> The Applicant agrees to comply with Equal Employment Opportunity and civil rights laws and procedures as applicable to the DRA program, which, among other requirements, requires non-discrimination in employment.
- 6. <u>Default and Remedies</u> If for any reason whatsoever, the Applicant does not adhere to the commitments as contemplated by this Agreement, the Applicant shall reimburse DRA the amount contemplated by the Award Agreement, plus 10% interest accrued from the time DRA funds were first received by the Awardee, plus any expenses associated with the collection of funds. In the event of partial New Job Creation or Retained Jobs, reimbursement shall be computed on a prorated basis dependent on actual performance as follows:
  - a. Reduction of Penalties DRA, at its sole discretion, may reduce or waive the penalties specified in this Section of this Agreement in the event the Applicant experiences Unforeseen Economic Events as defined in paragraph1. (l), as determined by DRA. This information must reflect the activity only at the facility referred to in the Application, and not include other sites, subsidiaries, or parent company. In the event the Company elects not to submit the current

and projected financial information in the application, DRA is not obligated to determine if a reduction in penalties would be warranted.

- 8. <u>Certification</u> The Applicant certifies that but for the proposed DRA assistance described in the Application, the Company's project will not be done at the proposed site, and the New or Retained Jobs would not occur.
- 9. Hold Harmless The Applicant shall fully and completely indemnify, defend, and hold harmless DRA and its officers, directors, employees, board and agents against any liability, judgment, loss, costs, claim damages (including consequential damage) or expenses (including attorneys' fees and disbursements, settlement costs, consultant fees, and investigation fees) to which any of them may become subject insofar as they may arise out of or based upon this Agreement or any agreement or document executed by the Applicant and DRA as part of the transaction described herein. The Applicant shall be given the full opportunity, at the expense of the Applicant, to defend against any such third party claim or demand.
- 10. <u>Disputes</u> -- In the event of a dispute between the parties arising out of or related to this Agreement, the aggrieved party shall notify the other party of the dispute within a reasonable time after such dispute arises. If the parties cannot thereafter resolve the dispute, each party shall nominate a senior officer of its management to meet to resolve the dispute by direct negotiation or mediation. Should such negotiation or mediation fail to resolve the dispute, either party must then pursue resolution by binding arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

Delta Regional Authority, Awarder	Marshall County Fiscal Court			
By:	Ву:			
Kemp Morgan	Kevin Neal, Judge Executive			
Director of Project Development				
Date:	Date: May 18, 2021			
STATE OF	Phone: 270 - 527 - 4750			
COUNTY OF	email: <u>kevin</u> neal @ marshallcountyky.gov			

Personally appeared before	me, the undersigned notary public in and for the
jurisdiction aforesaid, the withi	n named, to me known, who
acknowledged that he is	of, and that for and on behalf
	d as its act and deed, he signed and delivered the
	therein mentioned with action execution on the date
of this acknowledgment, after havin	g been first duly authorized so to do.
GIVEN under my hand and 2021.	d official seal on this, the day of
My Commission Expires:	Notary Public
My Commission Expires.	

## CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

I, Kevin Neal, do hereby certify that I am a duly elected and qualified Judge Executive of the Marshall County Fiscal Court organized and existing under the laws of the State of Kentucky, and that the following is a true and correct copy of a certain resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors thereof convened and held in accordance with law and the by-laws of said corporation on the 18th day of May, 2021, and that such resolution is now in full force and effect:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that Marshall County Fiscal Court, hereby authorizes Judge Executive Kevin Neal to execute the Participation Agreement with the Delta Regional Authority for a project to be located in Benton, KY, hereby recognizes that the Agreement includes obligations of the corporation and financial penalties for noncompliance of such obligations."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my name as Kevin Neal, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

TITLE: Subble Executive