

EXHIBIT A

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK LOCAL VENDOR PURCHASING POLICY

The Village of Orland Park believes it is important to provide local vendors with opportunities to provide goods and services to the Village of Orland Park. This belief is based upon the fact that the active uses of commercial properties in the Village benefits the community through stabilization of the property tax base, the creation of local sales tax and the provision of employment opportunities for citizens of the community and surrounding region.

In an effort to promote the aforementioned benefits, the Village of Orland Park wishes to provide local vendors with preferential treatment when competing for contracts with the Village. A local vendor is defined as a business that has an actual business location within the corporate boundaries of Orland Park and is licensed by the Village. The Village will not award a contract to a local vendor when the difference between the local vendors bid and the otherwise lowest responsive and responsible bid exceeds the applicable percentage indicated below. As such, when considering contracts, the Village reserves the right to forego the lowest responsive and responsible bid in favor of a local vendor under the following circumstances:

<u>Contract Value</u>	<u>Range (up to a maximum of)</u>
\$0 - \$250,000	2.00%
\$250,000 - 1,000,000	1.50%
\$1,000,000 - 2,000,000	1.00%
Greater than \$2,000,000	\$20,000

Under no circumstance will any contract be awarded to a local vendor when the local vendor's bid exceeds the lowest responsive and responsible bid by \$20,000 or more.

This Policy shall ONLY apply if formal notice of the aforementioned criteria is provided as part of the bid specifications. In addition, it should be noted that the Village of Orland Park shall not be obligated to forego the low bidder in favor of the local vendor under any circumstances. However, this Policy simply provides the Village with the option of doing so when applicable. Furthermore, this Policy shall not apply in any situation where any portion of the contract amount is being paid with funds other than Village monies. Specifically, this Policy shall not apply in any situation where the Village has received a grant or otherwise received a source of funds other than its own funds.