



**U.S. Department Labor
Employment and Training Administration**

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**Agricultural and Food Processing Clearance Order ETA Form 790
Orden de Empleo para Obreros/Trabajadores Agrícolas y Procesamiento de Alimentos**

(Print or type in each field block – To include additional information, go to block # 28 – Please follow Step-By-Step Instructions)
(Favor de usar letra de molde en la solicitud – Para incluir información adicional vea el punto # 28 – Favor de seguir las instrucciones paso-a-paso)

1. Employer's and/or Agent's Name and Address (Number, Street, City, State and Zip Code / Nombre y Dirección del Empleador/Patrón y/o Agente (Número, Calle, Ciudad, Estado y Código Postal):

Windflower Farm
585 Meeting House Road
Valley Falls, NY 12185

a) Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) / Número federal de Identificación del Empleador:

52-2336178

b) Telephone Number / Número de Teléfono:

518-320-2030

c) Fax Number / Número de Fax:

d) E-mail Address / Dirección de Correo Electrónico:

tedblomgren@gmail.com

2. Address and Directions to Work Site / Domicilio y Direcciones al lugar de trabajo:

NYS Thruway exit #15, east on Route 29, south on Route 40, then east for 2.5 miles on Meeting House Rd.

585 Meeting House Road
Valley Falls, NY 12185
(work site owned and operated by employer)

3. Address and Directions to Housing / Domicilio y Direcciones al lugar de vivienda:

A wooden frame house located at 1130 Route 22, Cambridge, NY, 12816. From NYS Thruway exit #15, east on Route 29, south on Route 40, then east on Meeting House Rd./Center Cambridge Rd., then south on Route 22. Transportation is provided to and from the place of employment at no cost to the worker.

a) Description of Housing / Descripción de la vivienda:

Housing and utilities are provided at no cost to H-2A workers and those workers in corresponding employment who are unable to return to their place of residence the same day.

Beds, bedding and mattresses will be furnished at no cost to the employees. Housing will be clean and meet the applicable federal and state housing standards. Housing also includes a kitchen table and chairs, a furnished living room, storage and space for parking.

Workers will be responsible for maintaining housing and surrounding areas in a neat and clean manner.

**Nos. 4 through 8 for STATE USE ONLY
Números 4 a 8 para USO ESTATAL**

4. SOC (O*NET/OES) Occupational Code / Código Industrial:

45209202

a. SOC (ONET/OES) Occupational Title / Título Ocupacional
Farmworkers & Laborers
Crop

5. Job Order No. / Num. de Orden de Empleo:

NY1164882

6. Address of Order Holding Office (include Telephone number) / Dirección de la Oficina donde se radico la oferta (incluya el número de teléfono):

877-466-9757

a. Name of Local Office Representative (include direct dial telephone number) / Nombre del Representante de la Oficina Local (Incluya el número de teléfono de su línea directa).

877-466-9757

7. Clearance Order Issue Date / Fecha de Emisión de la Orden de Empleo:

3/30/2016

8. Job Order Expiration Date / Fecha de Vencimiento o Expiración de la Orden de Empleo:

8/23/2016

9. Anticipated Period of Employment / Periodo anticipado o previsto de Empleo:

From / Desde: June 1, 2016

To / Hasta:

November 15, 2016

10. Number of Workers Requested / Número de Trabajadores Solicitados:

1

11. Anticipated Hours of Work per Week / Horas Anticipadas/Previstas de Trabajo por Semana. Total: 40 hours

Sunday / Domingo ___ Thursday / Jueves 8 ___
Monday / Lunes 8 ___ Friday / Viernes 8 ___
Tuesday / Martes 8 ___ Saturday / Sábado ___
Wednesday / Miércoles 8 ___

12. Anticipated range of hours for different seasonal activities: / Rango previsto de horas par alas diferentes actividades de la temporada:

40 hours

13. Collect Calls Accepted from: / Aceptan Llamadas por Cobrar de:

Employer / Empleador:

Yes / Si No

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14. Describe how the employer intends to provide either 3 meals a day to each worker or furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities for workers to prepare meals / Describa cómo el empleador tiene la intención de ofrecer, ya sea 3 comidas al día a cada trabajador, o proporcionar gratuitamente instalaciones para cocinar.

The employer will not provide three meals per day; instead, the workers will buy and prepare their own food. Nothing will be deducted from the employee's pay for groceries or kitchen use.

The employer will take the employees shopping for food, other incidentals and medical necessities once a week at no charge to the workers.

The employer will furnish free dishes, cooking utensils, a convenient kitchen and cooking facilities, and a table and chairs.

15. Referral Instructions and Hiring Information / Instrucciones sobre cómo Referir Candidatos/Solicitantes - (Explain how applicants are to be hired or referred, and the Employer's/Agent's available hour to interview workers / Explique cómo los candidatos serán contratados o referidos, y las horas disponibles del empleador/agente para entrevistar a los trabajadores). See instructions for more details / Vea las instrucciones para más detalles.

Contact the employer, Ted Blomgren, directly at 518-320-2030, between the hours of 1:00 PM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Referrals may also be made to any New York State DOL One Stop Office.

16. Job description and requirements / Descripción y requisitos del trabajo:

Till soil; plant seeds, roots, bulbs, and seedlings by hand or by riding on a transplanter. Hoe, weed and thin blocks of plants. Harvest by hand by picking, cutting and pulling. Operate tractor to till, plant, spray and harvest flowers, berries and vegetables. Must have a minimum of one month of experience in performing the tasks described in this order.

Workers hired under this order will be required to produce evidence of the right to work in the United States. Workers must be able to demonstrate that they are physically able to perform the work as described in this order.

The employer may terminate the worker with timely notification to the NP and DHS if the worker:

- Refuses without cause to perform the work for which the worker was recruited and hired,
- Commits serious acts of misconduct, or
- Abandons the job - i.e., is absent for five consecutive previously scheduled days without prior notification to the employer.

1. Is previous work experience preferred? / Se prefiere previa experiencia? Yes / Si No If yes, number of months preferred: / Si es así, numero de meses de experiencia: ___ 1 month

The fruits and vegetables produced at Windflower Farm include strawberries, raspberries, melons, a variety of greens and herbs, broccoli, cabbage, potatoes, sweet potatoes, carrots, beets, rutabagas, tomatoes, eggplants, peppers, beans, onions, cucumbers and squashes.

2. Check all requirements that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Certification/License Requirements / Certificación/Licencia Requisitos | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Background Check / Verificación de antecedentes penales |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driver Requirements / Requisitos del conductor | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Screen / Detección de Drogas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employer Will Train / Empleador entrenará o adiestrará | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extensive Pushing and Pulling / Empujar y Jalar Extensamente |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extensive Sitting / Estar sentado largos ratos | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extensive Walking / Caminar por largos ratos |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exposure to Extreme Temp. / Expuesto a Temperaturas Extremas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frequent Stooping / Inclinandose o agachándose con frecuencia |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lifting requirement / Levantar o Cargar ___ 50 lb /libras | <input type="checkbox"/> OT/Holiday is not mandatory / Horas Extras (sobre tiempo) / Dias Feriados no obligatorio |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Repetitive Movements / Movimientos repetitivos | |

17. Wage Rates, Special Pay Information and Deductions / Tarifa de Pago, Información Sobre Pagos Especiales y Deducciones (Rebajas)

Crop Activities	Hourly Wage	Piece Rate / Unit(s)	Special Pay (bonus, etc.)	Deductions*	Yes/Sí	No	Pay Period / Periodo de Pago
Cultivos	Salario por Hora	Pago por Pieza / Unidad(es)	Pagos Especiales (Bono, etc.)	Deducciones			/ /
Farmworkers	\$ 12.00	\$ N/A	None	Social Security / Seguro Social	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weekly / Semanal
Strawberries, raspberries	\$ 12.00	\$		Federal Tax / Impuestos Federales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Melons, greens, herbs, broccoli, cabbage	\$ 12.00	\$		State Tax / Impuestos Estatales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bi-weekly/ Quincenal
Potato, sweet potato, carrot, rutabaga, onion	\$ 12.00	\$		Meals / Comidas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Beet, tomato, eggplant, pepper, bean, cucumber, squash	\$ 12.00	\$		Other (specify) / Otro (especifica)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Monthly/Mensual
							Other/Otro
							<input type="checkbox"/>

18. More Details About the Pay / Mas Detalles Sobre el Pago:

The employer will offer, advertise in its recruitment, and pay a wage that is the highest of the AEWR, the prevailing hourly wage or piece rate, the agreed upon collective bargaining wage, or the Federal or State minimum wage, except where a special procedure is approved for an occupation or specific class of agricultural employment. Employer assures that if a change in the AEWR requires an increase such increase will be paid as of the effective date of the increase. Also if the AEWR is decreased this will become the wage effective of the date of the decrease.

a. If piece rate earnings for total hours of work at a piece-rate during a pay period do not result in average hourly earnings equal to the guaranteed minimum hourly rate, the worker will receive make-up pay to the guaranteed minimum wage rate.

b. In New York State, the only deductions that can be taken from worker pay are: 1. Those required by law, such as Social Security, income tax, and garnishment of wages; 2. those that benefit workers and are authorized in writing, such as life insurance, or a savings account.

c. The employer guarantees to offer employment for a minimum of ¾ ("three fourths guarantee") of the hours in the workdays during the period of the contract, and all extensions thereof. This guarantee begins with the first workday after the worker's arrival at the place of employment and ends on the date specified on the job order or extensions thereof. In fire, weather or Act of God terminations (as determined by the Certifying Officer) the ¾ guarantee period ends on the date of termination. The employer must make efforts to transfer the worker to other comparable employment acceptable to the worker, consistent with existing immigration law, as applicable. If such a transfer is not affected, the employer must (1) return the worker, at the employers expense, to the place from which the worker (disregarding intervening employment) came to work for the employer, or transport the worker to the workers next certified H2A employer, whichever the worker prefers (2) reimburse the worker the full amount of any deductions made from the workers pay by the employer for transportation and subsistence expenses to the place of employment; and (3) pay the worker for any costs incurred by the worker for transportation and daily subsistence to that employers place of employment. Daily subsistence must be computed as set forth in paragraph (h) of the section. The amount of the transportation payment must not be less (and is not required to be more) than the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved.

19. Transportation Arrangements / Arreglos de Transportación

\$12.09

\$51.00

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The employer agrees to reimburse inbound transportation and subsistence expenses (~~\$11.86~~ per day for a maximum of ~~\$46.00~~) to each worker, or any person, government agency or private organization which, on behalf of the worker, has paid or advanced such transportation and subsistence expenses from the residence, place of last employment or place of recruitment to the job site after the worker has completed 50% of the stipulated period of employment from initial date of need or from the date of actual arrival if later than the stated date to report.

a. Employer will provide or pay the cost of return transportation and subsistence to each worker who completes the employment period, or who is terminated for medical reasons, or as the result of fire, weather or an Act of God (as determined by the Certifying Officer), from place of employment to place of recruitment, except if the worker prefers not to return to his place of recruitment and has subsequent employment with an employer – see Item 16 (c) above. Employer will not be responsible for providing return cost of transportation and subsistence from place of employment to place of recruitment if the worker voluntarily abandons the job or is terminated for cause and employer provides timely notification to the NPC and DHS.

b. The amount of the transportation payment will be equal to the most economical and reasonable similar common carrier transportation charges for the distance involved. All transportation provided by the employer will be by common carrier or other transportation facilities which conform to the applicable regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission or the United States Department of Labor. If requested by the worker, the employer will assist in making transportation arrangements. The amount of daily subsistence will be in accordance with current rates published in the Federal Register (for workers with and without receipts).

c. If requested by the worker, employer will assist in making transportation arrangements.

d. Employer will provide transportation, at no cost to the worker, from the employer provided housing to the actual work site and return at the end of the day.

20. Is it the prevailing practice to use Farm Labor Contractors (FLC) to recruit, supervise, transport, house, and/or pay workers for this (these) crop activity (ies)? / ¿Es la práctica habitual usar Contratistas de Trabajo Agrícola para reclutar, supervisar, transportar, dar vivienda, y/o pagarle a los trabajadores para este(os) tipo(s) de cosecha(s)? Yes / Si No X

If you have checked yes, what is the FLC wage for each activity? / Si contesto "Si," cuál es el salario que le paga al Contratista de Trabajo Agrícola por cada actividad? N/A

21. Are workers covered for Unemployment Insurance? / ¿Se le proporcionan Seguro de Desempleo a los trabajadores? Yes/Si No X

22. Are workers covered by workers' compensation? / ¿Se le provee seguro de compensación/indemnización al trabajador: Yes/Si X No

23. Are tools, supplies, and equipment provided at no charge to the workers? / ¿Se les proveen herramientas y equipos sin costo alguno a los trabajadores?
The employer will furnish without cost all tools, supplies, or equipment required in the performance of work. Yes/Si X No

24. List any arrangements which have been made with establishment owners or agents for the payment of a commission or other benefits for sales made to workers. (If there are no such arrangements, enter "None".) / Enumere todos los acuerdos o convenios hechos con los propietarios del establecimiento o sus agentes para el pago de una comisión u otros beneficios por ventas hechas a los trabajadores. (Si no hay ningún acuerdo o convenio, indique "Ninguno".)

None

25. List any strike, work stoppage, slowdown, or interruption of operation by the employees at the place where the workers will be employed. (If there are no such incidents, enter "None".) / Enumere toda huelga, paro o interrupción de operaciones de trabajo por parte de los empleados en el lugar de empleo. (Si no hay incidentes de este tipo, indique "Ninguno".)

None

26. Is this job order to be placed in connection with a future Application for Temporary Employment Certification for H-2A workers? / ¿Esta orden de empleo ha sido puesta en conexión con una futura solicitud de certificación de empleo temporal para trabajadores H-2A?

Yes/Si No

27. Employer's Certification: This job order describes the actual terms and conditions of the employment being offered by me and contains all the material terms and conditions of the job. / Certificación del Empleador: Esta orden de trabajo describe los términos y condiciones del empleo que se le ofrece, y contiene todos los términos y condiciones materiales ofrecidos.

Theodore Alan Blomgren, Managing Partner

Employer's Printed Name & Title / Nombre y Título en Letra de Molde/Imprenta del Empleador

T. Blomgren

March 26, 2016

Employer's Signature / Firma y Título del Empleador

Date / Fecha

READ CAREFULLY. In view of the statutorily established basic function of the Employment Service as a no-fee labor exchange, that is, as a forum for bringing together employers and job seekers, neither the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) nor the State agencies are guarantors of the accuracy or truthfulness of information contained on job orders submitted by employers. Nor does any job order accepted or recruited upon by the American Job Center constitute a contractual job offer to which the American Job Center, ETA or a State agency is in any way a party.

LEA CON CUIDADO. En vista de la función básica del Servicio de Empleo establecida por ley, como una entidad de intercambio laboral sin comisiones, es decir, como un foro para reunir a los empleadores y los solicitantes de empleo, ni ETA ni las agencias del estado pueden garantizar la exactitud o veracidad de la información contenida en las órdenes de trabajo sometidas por los empleadores. Ni ninguna orden de trabajo aceptado o contratado en el Centro de Carreras (American Job Center) constituyen una oferta de trabajo contractuales a las que el American Job Center, ETA o un organismo estatal es de ninguna manera una de las partes.

PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT

The public reporting burden for responding to ETA Form 790, which is required to obtain or retain benefits (44 USC 3501), is estimated to be approximately 60 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and reviewing the collection. The public need not respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. This is public information and there is no expectation of confidentiality. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, Room C-4510, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210.

DECLARACION DE CARGA PÚBLICA

La carga de información pública para responder a la Forma ETA 790, que se requiere para obtener o retener beneficios (44 USC 3501), se estima en aproximadamente 60 minutos por respuesta, incluyendo el tiempo para revisar las instrucciones, buscar fuentes de datos existentes, recopilar y revisar la colección. El público no tiene por qué responder a esta recopilación de información a menos que muestre un número de control OMB válido. Esta información es pública y no hay ninguna expectativa de confidencialidad. Envíe sus comentarios acerca de esta carga o cualquier otro aspecto de esta colección, incluyendo sugerencias para reducir esta carga, al U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, Room C-4510, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210.

28. Use this section to provide additional supporting information (including section Box number). Include attachments, if necessary. / Utilice esta sección para proporcionar información adicional de apoyo; incluya el número de la sección e incluya archivos adjuntos, si es necesario.

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d. Workers will not be required to work more than the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday or on their Sabbath or federal holidays to meet this guarantee. The worker's average hourly earnings will be used under this guarantee where wages are paid on a piece rate basis. Workers who are terminated for cause or who voluntarily abandon their job are not entitled to this guarantee if employer provides timely notification to the NPC and DHS. On or before each payday the employer will provide to each worker in one or more written statements the following information: (1) the workers total earnings for the pay period; (2) the workers hourly rate and/or piece rate of pay; (3) the hours of employment offered to the worker (showing offers in accordance with the ¾'s guarantee as determined in paragraph (i) of the regulations at 20 CFR sec. 655.122(k), separate from any hours offered over and above the guarantee); (4) the hours actually worked by the worker; (5) an itemization of all deductions made from the worker's wages; (6) If piece rates are used, the units produced daily; (7) beginning and ending dates of the pay period; (8) the employer's name, address, and FEIN.

e. Workers with school age children who have migrated with such children and who depart in time to return home for the beginning of the school year shall be paid, in addition to the basic wages, any bonus or other incentive payments or other expenses to which they would be entitled had they stayed the entire job order period.

The employer will provide workers referred through the interstate clearance system 40 hours of work for the week beginning with the anticipated date of need, unless employer has amended the date of need by notifying the State agency no later than 10 business days before the date of need. If the employer fails to notify NYS Department of Labor office, then employer shall pay an eligible worker referred through the clearance system \$480 for the first week starting with the originally anticipated date of need. If worker referred fails to notify the NYS Department of Labor of continued interest in the job at least 5 days before date of need, worker will be disqualified from this assurance.

The employer will not require the worker to perform alternative work if the guarantee cited in this section is invoked. The employer will maintain adequate payroll records. Workers will be paid weekly on Fridays for work through the previous day.

Workers' Compensation: The employer assures that Policy #3101W7554 issued by Farm & Family Insurance Company provides the required insurance for injuries arising out of and in the course of employment. Employer's proof of insurance coverage will be provided to the Chicago Processing Center before certification is granted.

OTHER CLARIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

1. The employer agrees to abide by the regulations at 20 CFR 653.501 and 20 CFR 655.135.
2. The employer will expeditiously notify the State agency by telephone immediately upon learning that a crop is maturing earlier or later, or that weather conditions, over-recruitment, or other factors have changed the terms and conditions of employment.
3. Outreach workers shall have reasonable access to the worker in the conduct of outreach activities pursuant to 20 CFR 653.501(xvi).
4. Where appropriate, the employer is certified in the use and application of pesticides per Federal Environmental Protection Agency and State Department of Environmental Conservation requirements. The employer assures that workers hired under this order who will be handling pesticides will be provided appropriate training.
5. The employer will provide to an H-2A worker no later than the time at which the worker applies for the visa, or to a worker in corresponding employment no later than on the day work commences, a copy of the work contract between the employer and the workers in a language understood by the worker.
6. The employer assures that if acting as a farm labor contractor (FLC) or farm labor contractor employee (FLCE) on the order, he has a valid federal FLC certificate or FLCE identification card.
7. The applicant assures that he/she complies with NYS registration requirements. Farm labor contractors anticipating employment contracting with growers or processors in New York State, growers or processors in New York State who use the services of a farm labor contractor, and growers or processors in New York State who, without using the services of a farm labor contractor, are responsible for bringing into the state five or more out-of-state migrant farm or food processing workers, including H-2A workers, are required to register with the New York State Department of Labor and pay a registration fee in addition to any other fees that may be applicable.

**20 CFR 653.501
Assurances**

INTRASTATE AND INTERSTATE CLEARANCE ORDER

The employer agrees to provide to workers referred through the clearance system the number of hours of work per week cited in Item 10 of the clearance order for the week beginning with the anticipated date of need, unless the employer has amended the date of need at least 10 working days prior to the original date of need by so notifying the Order-Holding Office (OHO). If the employer fails to notify the OHO at least 10 working days prior to the original date of need, the employer shall pay eligible workers referred through the intrastate/interstate clearance system the specified hourly rate or pay, or in the absence of a specified hourly rate or pay, the higher of the Federal or State minimum wage rate for the first week starting with the original anticipated date of need. The employer may require workers to perform alternative work if the guarantee is invoked and if such alternative work is stated on the job order.

The employer agrees that no extension of employment beyond the period of employment shown on the job order will relieve the employer from paying the wages already earned, or specified in the job order as a term of employment, providing transportation or paying transportation expenses to the worker's home.

The employer assures that all working conditions comply with applicable Federal and State minimum wage, child labor, social security, health and safety, farm labor contractor registration and other employment-related laws.

The employer agrees to expeditiously notify the OHO or State agency by telephone immediately upon learning that a crop is maturing earlier or later, or that weather conditions, over recruitment, or other factors have changed the terms and conditions of employment.

The employer, if acting as a farm labor contractor, has a valid farm labor contractor registration certificate.

The employer assures the availability of no cost or public housing which meets applicable Federal and State standards and which is sufficient to house the specified number of workers requested through the clearance system.

The employer also assures that outreach workers shall have reasonable access to the workers in the conduct of outreach activities pursuant to 20 CFR 653.107.

Employer's Name Theodore Alan Blomgren Date:

March 26, 2016

Employer's Signature 

Besides the material terms and conditions of the employment, the employer must agree to these assurances if the job order is to be placed as part of the Agricultural Recruitment System. This assurance statement must be signed by the employer, and it must accompany the ETA Form 790.

**New York State Department of Labor
Form ETA 790 Attachment
Terms and Conditions/Clarifications and Assurances/
Additional Information**

A: CLARIFICATION OF ITEMS ON FORM ETA 790

Item 3: Housing

- a. Housing and utilities are provided at no cost to H-2A workers and those workers in corresponding employment who are unable to return to their place of residence the same day.
- b. Housing beds, bedding, and mattresses will be furnished at no cost to the workers.
- c. Housing will be clean and meet the applicable Federal and State housing standards.
- d. Workers will be responsible for maintaining housing and surrounding areas in a neat, clean manner.

Item 14: Board Arrangements

Employer will will not provide three meals per day and will deduct \$ 0.00 per day.

Employer will will not furnish free dishes, cooking utensils and convenient kitchen and cooking facilities.

Employer will will not provide transportation to assure workers access to stores where they can purchase groceries and/or other incidentals, and/or medical necessities.

Item 16: Job Specifications

- a. Workers must be able to demonstrate that they are physically able to perform the work as described.
- b. The employer will provide _____ days of training and/or allow _____ days of work for worker to reach ~~production standards if applicable:~~
- c. ~~Production Standards (if applicable): After completion of training or break-in period, employer will expect worker to:~~
- d. Employer may terminate worker with timely notification to the NPC and DHS, if the worker:
 - 1) Refuses, without cause, to perform work for which the worker was recruited and hired;
 - 2) Commits serious acts of misconduct;
 - 3) ~~Fails, after completing any training or break-in period, to reach production standards (if applicable); or~~
 - 4) Abandons Job ("Job Abandonment") – is absent for five consecutive previously scheduled days without prior notification to employer.

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Item 17: Wage Rates, Special Pay Information and Deductions

The employer will offer, advertise in its recruitment, and pay a wage that is the highest of the AEW, the prevailing hourly wage or piece rate, the agreed upon collective bargaining wage, or the Federal or State minimum wage, except where a special procedure is approved for an occupation or specific class of agricultural employment. Employer assures that if a change in the AEW requires an increase such increase will be paid as of the effective date of the increase. Also if the AEW is decreased this will become the wage effective on the date of the decrease.

- a. If piece rate earnings for total hours of work at a piece rate during a pay period do not result in average hourly earnings equal to the guaranteed minimum hourly rate, the worker will receive make-up pay to the guaranteed minimum wage rate.
- b. In New York State, the only deductions that can be taken from worker pay are:
 - 1. Those required by law, such as Social Security, income tax, and garnishment of wages; and
 - 2. Those that benefit workers and are authorized in writing, such as life insurance, or a savings account.

Any other deductions are illegal.

- c. The employer guarantees to offer employment for a minimum of $\frac{3}{4}$ ("three-fourths guarantee") of the hours in the workdays during the period of the contract, and all extensions thereof. This guarantee begins with the first workday after the worker's arrival at the place of employment and ends on the date specified on the job order or extensions thereof. In fire, weather, or Act of God terminations (as determined by the Certifying Officer) the $\frac{3}{4}$ guarantee period ends on the date of termination. The employer must make efforts to transfer the worker to other comparable employment acceptable to the worker, consistent with existing immigration law, as applicable. If such a transfer is not affected, the employer must (1) return the worker, at the employer's expense, to the place from which the worker (disregarding intervening employment) came to work for the employer, or transport the worker to the worker's next certified H-2A employer, whichever the worker prefers; (2) reimburse the worker the full amount of any deductions made from the worker's pay by the employer for transportation and subsistence expenses to the place of employment; and (3) pay the worker for any costs incurred by the worker for transportation and daily subsistence to that employer's place of employment. Daily subsistence must be computed as set forth in paragraph (h) of 655.122. The amount of the transportation payment must not be less (and is not required to be more) than the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved provide the guarantees in Item 19 (a) below.
- d. Workers will not be required to work more than the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday or on their Sabbath or federal holidays to meet this guarantee. The worker's average hourly earnings will be used under this guarantee where wages are paid on a piece rate basis. Workers who are terminated for cause or who voluntarily abandon their job are not entitled to this guarantee if employer provides timely notification to the NPC and DHS.
- e. On or before each payday the employer will provide to each worker in one or more written statements the following information: (1) the worker's total earnings for the pay period; (2) the worker's hourly rate and/or piece rate of pay; (3) the hours of employment offered to the worker (showing offers in accordance with the $\frac{3}{4}$ guarantee as determined in paragraph (i) of the regulations at 20 CFR sec. 655.122(k), separate from any hours offered over and above the guarantee); (4) the hours actually worked by the worker; (5) an itemization of all deductions made from the worker's wages; (6) if piece rates are used, the units produced daily; (7) beginning and ending dates of the pay period; and (8) the employer's name, address, and FEIN.
- f. Workers with school age children who have migrated with such children and who depart in time to return home for the beginning of the school year shall be paid, in addition to the basic wages, any bonus or other incentive payments or other expenses to which they would be entitled had they stayed the entire job order period.
- g. The employer will provide workers referred through the interstate clearance system ⁴⁰ hours of work for the week beginning with the anticipated date of need, unless employer has amended the date of need by notifying the SWA no later than 10 business days before the date of need. If the employer fails to notify the NYS Department of Labor, then the employer shall pay an eligible worker referred through the clearance system \$480.⁰⁰ (number of hours of work x AEWR/prevailing wage/minimum wage) for the first week starting with the originally anticipated date of need. If worker referred fails to notify the NYS Department of Labor of continued interest in the job at least 5 days before date of need, worker will be disqualified from this assurance. Employer will will not require worker to perform alternative work if the guarantee cited in this section is invoked.
Alternative work:
- h. Employer will maintain adequate payroll records. Workers will be paid weekly on ^{fridays} for work through the previous ^{Thursdays}

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Item 19: Transportation

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Employer agrees to reimburse inbound transportation and subsistence expenses (~~\$11.86~~ per day minimum to a maximum of ~~\$48.00~~ per day) to each worker, or any person, government agency, or private organization which, on behalf of the worker, has paid or advanced such transportation and subsistence expenses, from the place from which the worker has come to work for the employer, whether in the U.S. or abroad to the place of employment, after the worker has completed 50% of the stipulated period of employment, from initial date of need or from the day after actual arrival of worker if later than the stated date to report.

- a. Employer will provide or pay the cost of return transportation and subsistence to each worker who completes the employment period, or who is terminated for medical reasons, or as the result of fire, weather, or an Act of God (as determined by the Certifying Officer), from place of employment to place of recruitment, except if the worker prefers not to return to his place of recruitment and has subsequent employment with an employer – see Item 17 (c) above. Employer will not be responsible for providing return cost of transportation and subsistence from place of employment to place of recruitment if the worker voluntarily abandons the job or is terminated for cause and employer provides timely notification to the NPC and DHS.
- b. The amount of the transportation payment will be equal to the most economical and reasonable similar common carrier transportation charges for the distance involved. All transportation provided by the employer will be by common carrier or other transportation facilities which conform to the applicable regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission or the United States Department of Labor. The amount of daily subsistence will be in accordance with current rates published in the *Federal Register* (for workers with and without receipts).
- c. If requested by the worker, employer will assist in making transportation arrangements.
- d. Employer will provide transportation, at no cost to the worker, from the employer provided housing to the actual work site and return at the end of the day.

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Item 22: Workers' Compensation

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The employer assures that Policy # issued by provides the required insurance for injuries arising out of and in the course of employment. Employer's proof of insurance coverage will be provided to the Chicago Processing Center before certification is granted.

Item 23: Tools and Equipment

The employer will furnish without cost all tools, supplies, or equipment required in the performance of work.

B: OTHER CLARIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

- 1. The employer agrees to abide by the regulations at 20 CFR 653.501 and 20 CFR 655.135.
- 2. The employer will expeditiously notify the State agency by telephone immediately upon learning that a crop is maturing earlier or later, or that weather conditions, over-recruitment, or other factors have changed the terms and conditions of employment.
- 3. Outreach workers shall have reasonable access to the worker in the conduct of outreach activities pursuant to 20 CFR 653.501(xvi).
- 4. If applicable, the employer is certified in the use and application of pesticides per Federal Environmental Protection Agency and State Department of Environmental Conservation requirements. The employer assures that workers hired under this order who will be handling pesticides will be provided appropriate training, if applicable.

5. The employer will provide to an H-2A worker no later than the time at which the worker applies for the visa, or to a worker in corresponding employment no later than on the day work commences, a copy of the work contract between the employer and the workers in a language understood by the worker.
6. The employer assures that if acting as a farm labor contractor (FLC) or farm labor contractor employee (FLCE) on the order, he/she has a valid federal FLC certificate or FLCE Identification card.
7. The applicant assures that he/she complies with NYS registration requirements. Farm labor contractors anticipating employment contracting with growers or processors in New York State, growers or processors in New York State who use the services of a farm labor contractor, and growers or processors in New York State who, without using the services of a farm labor contractor, are responsible for bringing into the state five or more out-of-state migrant farm or food processing workers, not including H-2A workers, are required to register with the New York State Department of Labor. This statement applies only to H-2A employers who also employ five or more out-of-state migrant workers.

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Employer Signature _____