2014 Litter Clean-up & Tire Amnesty Grant Agreement

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, hereinafter referred to as the Agency, and Lorain Port Authority hereinafter referred to as the Grantee. This Agreement is made to administer the Ohio Environmental Education Grant Award for the grant project submitted for funding by the Grantee assigned OEE grant number 14-LCTAG-026.

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS the Grantee, as authorized under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 3736, has applied to the Agency for program funding to implement a 2014 Litter Clean-up & Tire Amnesty Grant, hereinafter referred to as the 2014 LCTAG; and

WHEREAS the Grantee agrees to perform in compliance with the terms, promises, conditions, and assurances as outlined in the Grantee’s 2014 LCTAG Managers Manual and the 2014 LCTAG Application, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS the 2014 LCTAG funds in the amount of $7,161.00 have been encumbered. Obligations of the State of Ohio are subject to the provisions of ORC Section 126.07.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants by and between the parties hereto, the parties agree as follows:

I. The Agency hereby awards to the Grantee a grant not to exceed $7,161.00, for the purpose of implementing the project detailed in the Grantee’s application. Costs incurred by the Grantee for items that are not part of the approved budget as contained in the Grantee’s application, or costs in excess of amounts specified in the approved budget as contained in the Grantee’s application will not be reimbursed by the Agency. Any grant-related expenditures made prior to the effective date of the grant agreement will not be reimbursed. The Grantee agrees to maintain and expend the required match, detailed in the Grantee’s application.

II. The Agency shall pay to the Grantee, subject to cash availability, fifty percent (50%) of its total grant award, to be used for project costs according to the Grantee’s approved budget as contained in the Grantee’s application. A final payment of fifty percent (50%) of the grant award will be withheld to reconcile the grant account at the end of the grant period or the closeout of the grant. The parties understand and agree that all payments made under this grant award are based on actual costs and are made based upon Grantee’s satisfactory performance of Grantee’s obligations under this grant agreement.

III. The Grantee shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, military status, or any disability as
defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Grantee shall take affirmative action to ensure that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, military status, or any disability, as defined in the ADA. Such action shall include, but is not limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination, including apprenticeship.

IV. The Grantee agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Agency setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. Furthermore, the Grantee agrees to comply with all pertinent provisions of ORC Section 125.111 and the Drug Free Workplace Act.

V. The Grantee shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Grantee, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, military status, or any disability, as defined in the ADA.

VI. The Grantee shall comply with the State Equal Employment Opportunity guidelines, and any direction as set forth by officials or agencies of the State or Federal Government that seek to eliminate unlawful employment discrimination, and with all other State and Federal efforts to assure equal employment practices under this Agreement. Before and during performance, the Grantee shall promptly comply with all requests and direction from the State of Ohio or any of its officials and agencies.

VII. Upon the Grantee’s noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement, this Agreement may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part, and the Grantee may be ineligible for further state contracts and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies instituted as otherwise provided by the law.

VIII. It is fully understood and agreed that neither Grantee nor any of its employees or other personnel shall at any time or for any purpose, be considered as agents or employees of the Ohio EPA. The Grantee certifies that neither the Grantee nor its employees or other personnel are public employees of the Agency under federal or state law for tax, Workers’ Compensation, and retirement deduction purposes.

IX. The Grantee shall carry out and administer the project according to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and the terms of this Agreement, as outlined in the Agency’s 2014 LCTAG Application and Manager’s Manual.

X. The Agency shall at any reasonable time have the right of access to and the right to audit all books and records, financial or otherwise, pertinent to the administration and operation of this project. The Grantee shall keep said books and records in a common file to facilitate audits and inspections. In the event of a special audit, the Grantee will be responsible for the actual cost of the audit. Said costs shall be determined by the State of Ohio.

XI. The Grantee by signature on this document, certifies that it: (1) has reviewed and understands the
Ohio ethics and conflict of interest laws as found in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 102 and in Ohio Revised Code Sections 2921.42 and 2921.43, and (2) will take no action inconsistent with those laws. The Grantee understands that failure to comply with Ohio’s ethics and conflict of interest laws is, in itself, grounds for termination of this Agreement and may result in the loss of other contracts or grants with the State of Ohio.

XII. The Grantee affirms that, as applicable to it, no party listed in Division (I) or (J) of Section 3517.13 of the Ohio Revised Code or spouse of such party has made, as an individual, within the two previous calendar years, one or more contributions totaling in excess of $1,000.00 to the Governor or to his campaign committees.

XIII. The Grantee affirmatively represents and warrants to Agency that it is not subject to a finding for recovery under ORC 9.24 or that it has taken appropriate remedial steps required under ORC 9.24 or otherwise qualifies under that section. The Grantee agrees that if this representation or warranty is deemed to be false, the Agreement shall be void ab initio as between the parties to this Agreement, and any funds paid by Agency hereunder immediately shall be repaid to Agency, or an action for recovery immediately may be commenced by Agency for recovery of said funds. The Grantee affirmatively represents and warrants to Agency that it is not debarred from consideration for contract awards by the Director of the Department of Administrative Services, pursuant to either ORC 153.02 or ORC 125.25. If this representation and warranty is false, this Agreement is void ab initio and Grantee shall immediately repay to the State any funds paid under this Agreement.

XIV. Implementation of the approved 2014 LCTAG project as outlined in the Grantee’s 2014 LCTAG Approved Application and this Agreement shall not commence until the Agreement is signed by all parties or July 1, 2014, whichever is later. The Agency shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by the Grantee prior to the effective date of this Agreement.

XV. This Agreement shall remain in effect until June 30, 2015. The Agency reserves the right, at any time after execution of this Agreement, to terminate, revise, or extend the grant in whole or in part, upon written notification to the Grantee. In the event of such termination, the Grantee will be paid for approved expenditures incurred and for any noncancellable obligations properly incurred by the Grantee prior to termination.

XVI. The Grantee reserves the right, at any time after execution of this Agreement, to terminate the program, in whole or in part, upon written notification to the Agency. In the event of such termination, the Grantee shall not incur any new obligations and shall make a good faith effort to cancel as many outstanding obligations as possible.

XVII. All unspent funds and unallowed expenditures shall be returned to the Agency within forty-five (45) days of receiving notification of any termination. Any payment not received within forty-five days of the due date may be turned over to the Attorney General for collection as a delinquent claim, and the Grantee agrees to pay the Agency all costs the Agency incurs for delinquent collections by the Attorney General’s office.
XVIII. The Grantee affirms to have read and understands Executive Order 2011-12K issued by Ohio Governor John R. Kasich and signed and completed the Standard Affirmation and Disclosure Form (Exhibit B) and shall abide by those requirements in the performance of this Agreement and perform no services required under this Agreement outside of the United States. The Executive Order is provided as an attachment (Exhibit C) and also is available at the following website: http://www.governor.ohio.gov/Portals/0/pdf/executiveOrders/EO%202011-12K.pdf

The Grantee also affirms, understands, and agrees to immediately notify the State of any change or shift in the location(s) of services performed by the Grantee or its subcontractors under this Agreement, and no services shall be changed or shifted to a location(s) that are outside of the United States.

If the Grantee or any of its subcontractors perform services under this Agreement outside of the United States, the performance of such services shall be treated as a material breach of the Agreement. The State is not obligated to pay and shall not pay for such services. If Grantee or any of its subcontractors perform any such services, Grantee shall immediately return to the State all funds paid for those services. The State may also recover from the Grantee all costs associated with any corrective action the State may undertake, including but not limited to an audit or a risk analysis, as a result of the Grantee performing services outside the United States.

The State may, at any time after the breach, terminate the Agreement, upon written notice to the Grantee. The State may recover all accounting, administrative, legal and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of the termination of the Agreement and costs associated with the acquisition of substitute services from a third party.

The State, in its sole discretion, may provide written notice to Grantee of a breach and permit the Grantee to cure the breach. Such cure period shall be no longer than 21 calendar days. During the cure period, the State may buy substitute services from a third party and recover from the Grantee any costs associated with acquiring those substitute services.

Notwithstanding the State permitting a period of time to cure the breach or the Grantee's cure of the breach, the State does not waive any of its rights and remedies provided the State in this Agreement, including but not limited to recovery of funds paid for services the Grantee performed outside of the United States, costs associated with corrective action, or liquidated damages. Executive Order 2011-12K does not apply to situations in which the Director of the Agency of Administrative Services, or the Director's designee, shall determine that it is an emergency or that it is necessary for the State to waive some or all of the requirements of EO 2011-12K. The Director shall establish standards by which Executive Agencies may request a waiver of some or all of the requirements of EO 2011-12K and by which such requests will be evaluated and may be granted.
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The Grantee will not assign any of its rights nor delegate any of its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement without prior written consent of the State. Any assignment or delegation not consented to may be deemed void by the State.

Each party shall be responsible for its own acts and omissions and will be responsible for any and all damages, costs, and expenses that arise out of the performance of this Agreement and that are due to that party’s own negligence, tortious acts, or other conduct or that are due to the negligence, tortious acts, or other conduct of the party’s respective agents, officers, or employees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the effective date of this Agreement is the date when the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency signs this Agreement, or July 1, 2014, whichever date is later.

Grantee: Lorain Port Authority

Award: $7,161.00

(I, we) have the authority to sign this Agreement and do so in (my/our) respective capacities:

**Grantee Signature**

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Authorized Official: Richard Novak, Executive Director
Lorain Port Authority

**Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Signature**

Signed: ___________________________

Craig W. Butler, Director
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency