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**November 1, 2025**

**AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE (1)**

**State of North Carolina  
Department of Commerce  
Division of Community Revitalization**

This Amendment by and between the State of North Carolina, Department of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as “the State”), Horne LLP, and BDO Government Services, LLC is deemed effective as of November 1, 2025.

WHEREAS, the State and Horne LLP entered into Contract **#Doc1498190011** for **Implementation of Helene Recovery Programs for Housing** (“Agreement”) on or about May 9, 2025;

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2025, Horne LLP provided notice to the State of its intent to merge into a subsidiary of BDO USA, P.C., named BDO Government Services, LLC (hereinafter referred to as “BDO GS”), with the transaction expected to close on November 1, 2025 and that, once the merger is effective, BDO GS will perform all contractual obligations of the Agreement with the same personnel;

WHEREAS, Paragraph 16 of the Agreement provides for the assignment of the Agreement in the case of a consolidation, acquisition, or merger;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants contained here, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy, and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

BDO GS unconditionally assumes all the duties, liabilities, responsibilities, and obligations under and with respect to the Agreement and agrees to perform, tender, and discharge when due all of Horne LLP’s duties under the Agreement, including but not limited to the implementation of the State’s owner-occupied single family housing program (Renew NC) and small rental program as set forth in the State’s CDBG-DR Action Plan for Hurricane Helene recovery, including any amendments. As of the effective date of this Amendment, all references to the “vendor” or “Horne LLP” in the Agreement will apply to BDO GS. BDO GS further represents and warrants to the State that it is solvent, has the financial capacity to comply with the terms of the Agreement, will be able to meet its obligations under the Agreement, and will remain in full compliance with all terms of the Agreement. Except as provided in this Amendment,

all terms and conditions of the original Agreement, including all Responses and exhibits, remain in full force and effect and constitute the entire agreement between the parties.

The State consents to the above assumption.

The undersigned individuals below represent and acknowledge they have the company power and authority to bind BDO Government Services, LLC (surviving legal entity to HORNE) and the State of North Carolina, Department of Commerce to the terms of this Amendment.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

**BDO Government Services, LLC**

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Alethia Thomas  
Title: Principal, BDO Government Services, LLC

Date: 11/04/2025

**North Carolina Department of Commerce**

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Secretary Lee Lilly  
Title: Secretary Department of Commerce

Date: 05-Nov-2025