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# A. Job Offer Information

1	1. Job Title * Nursery Workers									
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	Needed *	5	5	3. B	3. Begin Date * 6/1/2022 4. End Date			ate *11/19/2022		
		b generally requir						week? *	☐ Yes	No
6. <i>A</i>	Anticipate	d days and hours	of work pe	er week *					7. Hourly work	schedule *
	40	a. Total Hours	7	c. Monday	7	e. Wednesday	7	g. Friday	a. <u>7</u> : <u>00</u>	✓ AM ☐ PM
	0	b. Sunday	•	d. Tuesday	′	f. Thursday	5	h. Saturday	b. <u>3</u> : <u>00</u>	☐ AM ☐ PM
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8b. <b>\$</b> _	Wage Of	37		d. Piece Ra	ate Offer (	§ 8e. Piece	e Rate Un	iits/Special Pa	ay Information §	
		eted <b>Addendum</b> and wage offers at				on on the crops	or agricu	ıltural	☐ Yes	No
10.	Frequenc	cy of Pay. *	Weekly	☐ Biv	veekly	Monthly	☐ Ot	her (specify):	N/A	
The	10. Frequency of Pay. * Weekly Biweekly Monthly Other (specify): N/A  11. State all deduction(s) from pay and, if known, the amount(s). * (Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)  The employer will make the following deductions from the worker's wages: FICA taxes and federal income tax withholdings as required by Federal, State, and local law.									

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# B. Minimum Job Qualifications/Requirements

<ol> <li>Education: minimum U.S. diploma/degree required. *</li> <li>☑ None ☐ High School/GED ☐ Associate's ☐ Bachelor's ☐ Master's or Higher ☐ Other degree (JD, MD, etc.)</li> </ol>					
2. Work Experience: number of months required	. * 3	3. Training: nu	mber of months requ	uired. *	0
4. Basic Job Requirements (check all that apply)	*				
☐ a. Certification/license requirements		g. Exposure	to extreme temperatu	ıres	
b. Driver requirements		~	pushing or pulling		
☑ c. Criminal background check		☑ i. Extensive	sitting or walking		
d. Drug screen		j. Frequent s	tooping or bending o	ver	
e. Lifting requirement 50 lbs.		k. Repetitive	movements		
5a. Supervision: does this position supervise the work of other employees? *	☐ Yes       I		question 5a, enter the		
6. Additional Information Regarding Job Qualifications/Requirements. (Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed. If no additional skills or requirements, enter "NONE" below) * Employer may conduct drug testing and criminal backgrounds checks post-employment and at the employer's expense.					
C. Place of Employment Information					
Address/Location *     4645 62nd Street					
2. City *	3. State *	4. Postal Code *	5. County *		
Holland	Michigan	49423	Ottawa		
6. Additional Place of Employment Information ( Walter's Nursery LLC Main Building and Home Farm	n no additional ini	ormation, enter <u>NONE</u> be	elow)		
<ol> <li>Is a completed Addendum B providing additional agricultural businesses who will employ worked attached to this job order? *</li> </ol>				<b>⊿</b> Ye	es 🔲 No
D. Housing Information					
Housing Address/Location *     1044 64th Street					
2. City *	3. State *	4. Postal Code *	5. County *		
Zeeland	Michigan	49464	Ottawa	T	
6. Type of Housing *			7. Total Units *		ccupancy *
Leased from Outback Greenhouse			1	10	
9. Housing complies or will comply with the follow	•		☑ Local ☑	State 🗹	Federal
10. Additional Housing Information. (If no additional information, enter "NONE" below) * See Addendum C					
11. Is a completed <b>Addendum B</b> providing addit workers attached to this job order? *	ional informat	ion on housing that v	vill be provided to	☐ Ye	es 🗹 No

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# E. Provision of Meals

1. Describe how the employer will provide each worker with 3 meals a day or furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities. * (Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.) Employer will furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities so that workers may prepare their own meals. No charge will be made for the provided beds, appliances, cooking utensils and similar items furnished to workers to whom housing is provided hereunder unless unlawfully removed or damaged beyond normal wear and tear. Employer will provide (on a voluntary basis) weekly transportation to assure workers access to stores where they can purchase groceries. If for any reason the kitchen facilities become unavailable due to fire or calamity, the employer will provide 3 meals per day for which a deduction shall be made until the kitchen facilities become operable.					
Housing is provided at no cost to worke		bly able to return	the same day to	their respective	
residences. Housing is not provided to	non-workers.				
2. If meals are provided, the employer: *	☐ WILL NOT charge w	orkers for such me	als.		
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# G. Referral and Hiring Instructions

1. Explain how prospective applicants may be considered for employment under this job order, including verifiable contact information for the employer, or the employer's authorized hiring representative, methods of contact, and the days and hours applicants will be considered for the job opportunity. \*

(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)
Interested candidates are to contact their local State Workforce Agency (SWA). Candidates should be fully apprised by the local SWA office of the terms, conditions and nature of employment prior to referral and may be given a copy of the ETA Form 790 and its corresponding attachments. SWA agents who have screened candidates for all season availability, legality to work in the US, and who are willing, able and qualified to perform the job duties may fax referrals to 231-361-5904; or mail them to 9689 W. Walker Road, Manton, MI 49663. Applicants referred on this job order should be advised that they must possess legal, suitable documents to complete Form I-9 as required by USCIS and the Department of Homeland Security.

Person seeking employment as a farm laborer must be available for the entire period requested by the employer, possess 3 months experience hand harvesting fruits and vegetables with verifiable sources, may be subject to a post hire background check at no expense of their own and pass a post-hire free of charge drug test. These steps are intended to ensure that the safety of the work environment and end consumer is not compromised as mandated by the Global G.A.P Audit, the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and the USDA Good Agricultural Practices & Good Handling Practices Audit. Convictions of criminal conduct that present a potential compromise of food security in accordance with the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002 will be cause for discharge. The employer may terminate the worker (foreign and/or domestic) with notification to the employment service if employer discovers a criminal conviction record or status as a registered sex offender that employer reasonably believes, consistent with current law, will impair the safety and living conditions of other workers. Although an international or US drivers license is not required, all applicants must be in compliance with Federal, State and local licensing requirements for safe employer vehicle operation. Applicants who have been disbarred from licensing for multiple DUIs will not be eligible.

2. Telephone Number to Apply *	3. Email Address to Apply *				
+1 (231) 468-6046	beth@areleneresourcemanagement.com				
4. Website address (URL) to Apply *					
N/A					
H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer					

1.	Is a completed <b>Addendum C</b> providing additional information about the material terms, conditions,		
	and benefits (monetary and non-monetary) that will be provided by the employer attached to this	Yes	□ No
	job order? *		

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# I. Conditions of Employment and Assurances for H-2A Agricultural Clearance Orders

By virtue of my signature below, I **HEREBY CERTIFY** my knowledge of and compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local employment-related laws and regulations, including employment-related health and safety laws, and certify the following conditions of employment:

- 1. <u>JOB OPPORTUNITY</u>: Employer assures that the job opportunity identified in this clearance order (hereinafter also referred to as the "job order") is a full-time temporary position being placed with the SWA in connection with an H-2A Application for Temporary Employment Certification for H-2A workers and this clearance order satisfies the requirements for agricultural clearance orders in 20 CFR 653, subpart F and the requirements set forth in 20 CFR 655.122. This job opportunity offers U.S. workers no less than the same benefits, wages, and working conditions that the employer is offering, intends to offer, or will provide to H-2A workers and complies with the requirements at 20 CFR 655, Subpart B. The job opportunity is open to any qualified U.S. worker regardless of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, handicap, or citizenship.
- NO STRIKE, LOCKOUT, OR WORK STOPPAGE: Employer assures that this job opportunity, including all worksites for which the
  employer is requesting H-2A labor certification does not currently have workers on strike or being locked out in the course of a labor
  dispute. 20 CFR 655.135(b).
- BHOUSING FOR WORKERS: Employer agrees to provide for or secure housing for H-2A workers and those workers in corresponding employment who are not reasonably able to return to their residence at the end of the work day. That housing complies with the applicable local, State, or Federal standards and is sufficient to house the specified number of workers requested through the clearance system. The employer will provide the housing without charge to the worker. Any charges for rental housing will be paid directly by the employer to the owner or operator of the housing. If public accommodations are provided to workers, the employer agrees to pay all housing-related charges directly to the housing's management. The employer agrees that charges in the form of deposits for bedding or other similar incidentals related to housing (e.g., utilities) must not be levied upon workers. However, the employer may require workers to reimburse them for damage caused to housing by the individual worker(s) found to have been responsible for damage which is not the result of normal wear and tear related to habitation. When it is the prevailing practice in the area of intended employment and the occupation to provide family housing, the employer agrees to provide family housing at no cost to workers with families who request it. 20 CFR 655.122(d), 653.501(c)(3)(vi).

Request for Conditional Access to Intrastate or Interstate Clearance System: Employer assures that the housing disclosed on this clearance order will be in full compliance with all applicable local, State, or Federal standards at least 20 calendar days before the housing is to be occupied. 20 CFR 653.502(a)(3). The Certifying Officer will not certify the application until the housing has been inspected and approved.

- 4. WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE: Employer agrees to provide workers' compensation insurance coverage in compliance with State law covering injury and disease arising out of and in the course of the worker's employment. If the type of employment for which the certification is sought is not covered by or is exempt from the State's workers' compensation law, the employer agrees to provide, at no cost to the worker, insurance covering injury and disease arising out of and in the course of the worker's employment that will provide benefits at least equal to those provided under the State workers' compensation law for other comparable employment. 20 CFR 655.122(e).
- 5. <u>EMPLOYER-PROVIDED TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT</u>: Employer agrees to provide to the worker, without charge or deposit charge, all tools, supplies, and equipment required to perform the duties assigned. 20 CFR 655.122(f).
- 6. <u>MEALS</u>: Employer agrees to provide each worker with three meals a day or furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities to the workers that will enable the workers to prepare their own meals. Where the employer provides the meals, the job offer will state the charge, if any, to the worker for such meals. The amount of meal charges is governed by 20 CFR 655.173. 20 CFR 655.122(g).

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer agrees to provide each worker, without charge or deposit charge, (1) either three sufficient meals a day, or free and convenient cooking facilities and adequate provision of food to enable the worker to prepare his own meals. To be sufficient or adequate, the meals or food provided must include a daily source of protein, vitamins, and minerals; and (2) adequate potable water, or water that can be easily rendered potable and the means to do so. 20 CFR 655.210(e).

- 7. **TRANSPORTATION AND DAILY SUBSISTENCE**: Employer agrees to provide the following transportation and daily subsistence benefits to eligible workers.
  - A. Transportation to Place of Employment (Inbound)

If the worker completes 50 percent of the work contract period, and the employer did not directly provide such transportation or subsistence or otherwise has not yet paid the worker for such transportation or subsistence costs, the employer agrees to reimburse the worker for reasonable costs incurred by the worker for transportation and daily subsistence 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. The amount of the transportation payment must be no less (and is not required to be more) than the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved. The amount the employer will pay for daily subsistence expenses are those amounts disclosed in this clearance order, which are at least as much as the employer would charge the worker for providing the worker with three meals a day during employment (if applicable), but in no event will less than the amount permitted under 20 CFR 655.173(a). The employer understands that the Fair Labor Standards Act applies independently of the H-2A requirements and imposes obligations on employers regarding payment of wages. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(1).

B. Transportation from Place of Employment (Outbound)

If the worker completes the work contract period, or is terminated without cause, and the worker has no immediate subsequent H-2A employment, the employer agrees to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence from the place of employment to the place from which the worker, disregarding intervening employment, departed to work for the employer. Return transportation will not be provided to workers who voluntarily abandon employment before the end of the work contract period, or who are terminated for cause, if the employer follows the notification requirements in 20 CFR 655.122(n).

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If the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has not agreed in such work contract to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence expenses from the employer's worksite to such subsequent employer's worksite, the employer must provide for such expenses. If the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has agreed in such work contract to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence expenses from the employer's worksite to such subsequent employer's worksite, the subsequent employer must provide or pay for such expenses.

The employer is not relieved of its obligation to provide or pay for return transportation and subsistence if an H-2A worker is displaced as a result of the employer's compliance with the 50 percent rule as described in sec. 655.135(d) of this subpart with respect to the referrals made after the employer's date of need. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(2).

### C. Daily Transportation

Employer agrees to provide transportation between housing provided or secured by the employer and the employer's worksite(s) at no cost to the worker. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(3).

D. Compliance with Transportation Standards

Employer assures that all employer-provided transportation will comply with all applicable Federal, State, or local laws and regulations. Employer agrees to provide, at a minimum, the same transportation safety standards, driver licensure, and vehicle insurance as required under 29 U.S.C. 1841 and 29 CFR 500.105 and 29 CFR 500.120 to 500.128. If workers' compensation is used to cover transportation, in lieu of vehicle insurance, the employer will ensure that such workers' compensation covers all travel or that vehicle insurance exists to provide coverage for travel not covered by workers' compensation. Employer agrees to have property damage insurance. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(4).

8. **THREE-FOURTHS GUARANTEE**: Employer agrees to offer the worker employment for a total number of work hours equal to at least three-fourths of the workdays of the total period beginning with the first workday after the arrival of the worker at the place of employment or the advertised contractual first date of need, whichever is later, and ending on the expiration date specified in the work contract or in its extensions, if any. 20 CFR 655.122(i).

The employer may offer the worker more than the specified hours of work on a single workday. For purposes of meeting the three-fourths guarantee, the worker will not be required to work for more than the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday, or on the worker's Sabbath or Federal holidays. If, during the total work contract period, the employer affords the U.S. or H-2A worker less employment than that required under this guarantee, the employer will pay such worker the amount the worker would have earned had the worker, in fact, worked for the guaranteed number of days. An employer will not be considered to have met the work guarantee if the employer has merely offered work on three-fourths of the workdays if each workday did not consist of a full number of hours of work time as specified in the job order. All hours of work actually performed may be counted by the employer in calculating whether the period of guaranteed employment has been met. Any hours the worker fails to work, up to a maximum of the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday, when the worker has been offered an opportunity to work, and all hours of work actually performed (including voluntary work over 8 hours in a workday or on the worker's Sabbath or Federal holidays), may be counted by the employer in calculating whether the period of guaranteed employment has been met. 20 CFR 655.122(i).

If the worker is paid on a piece rate basis, the employer agrees to use the worker's average hourly piece rate earnings or the required hourly wage rate, whichever is higher, to calculate the amount due under the three-fourths guarantee. 20 CFR 655.122(i).

If the worker voluntarily abandons employment before the end of the period of employment set forth in the job order, or is terminated for cause, and the employer follows the notification requirements in 20 CFR 655.122(n), the worker is not entitled to the three-fourths guarantee. The employer is not liable for payment of the three-fourths guarantee to an H-2A worker whom the Department of Labor certifies is displaced due to the employer's requirement to hire qualified and available U.S. workers during the recruitment period set out in 20 CPR 655.135(d), which lasts until 50 percent of the period of the work contract has elapsed (50 percent rule). 20 CFR 655.122(i).

Important Note: In circumstances where the work contract is terminated due to contract impossibility under 20 CFR 655.122(o), the three-fourths quarantee period ends on the date of termination.

- 9. **EARNINGS RECORDS**: Employer agrees to keep accurate and adequate records with respect to the workers' earnings at the place or places of employment, or at one or more established central recordkeeping offices where such records are customarily maintained. All records must be available for inspection and transcription by the Department of Labor or a duly authorized and designated representative, and by the worker and representatives designated by the worker as evidenced by appropriate documentation. Where the records are maintained at a central recordkeeping office, other than in the place or places of employment, such records must be made available for inspection and copying within 72 hours following notice from the Department of Labor, or a duly authorized and designated representative, and by the worker and designated representatives. The content of earnings records must meet all regulatory requirements and be retained by the employer for a period of not less than 3 years after the date of certification by the Department of Labor. 20 CFR 655.122(j).
- 10. HOURS AND EARNINGS STATEMENTS: Employer agrees to furnish to the worker on or before each payday 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 three-fourths guarantee as determined in 20 CFR 655.122(i), 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. 20 CFR 655.122(k).

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer is exempt from recording and furnishing the hours actually worked each day, the time the worker begins and ends each workday, as well as the nature and amount of work performed, but otherwise must comply with the earnings records and hours and earnings statement requirements set out in 20 CFR 655.122(j) and (k). The employer agrees to keep daily records indicating whether the site of the employee's work was on the range or off the range. If the employer prorates a worker's wage because of the worker's voluntary absence for personal reasons, it must also keep a record of the reason for the worker's absence. 20 CFR 655.210(f).

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11. RATES OF PAY: The employer agrees that it will offer, advertise in its recruitment, and pay at least the Adverse Effect Wage Rate (AEWR), the prevailing hourly wage rate, the prevailing piece rate, the agreed-upon collective bargaining rate, or the Federal or State minimum wage rate, in effect at the time work is performed, whichever is highest. If the worker is paid by the hour, the employer must pay this rate for every hour or portion thereof worked during a pay period. If the offered wage(s) disclosed in this clearance order is/are based on commission, bonuses, or other incentives, the employer guarantees the wage paid on a weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly basis will equal or exceed the AEWR, prevailing hourly wage or piece rate, the legal Federal or State minimum wage, or any agreed-upon collective bargaining rate, whichever is highest.

If the worker is paid on a piece rate basis and at the end of the pay period the piece rate does not result in average hourly piece rate earnings during the pay period at least equal to the amount the worker would have earned had the worker been paid at the appropriate hourly rate of pay, the employer agrees to supplement the worker's pay at that time so that the worker's earnings are at least as much as the worker would have earned during the pay period if the worker had instead been paid at the appropriate hourly wage rate for each hour worked. 20 CFR 655.120, 655.122(I).

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer agrees to pay the worker at least the monthly AEWR, the agreed-upon collective bargaining wage, or the applicable minimum wage imposed by Federal or State law or judicial action, in effect at the time work is performed, whichever is highest, for every month of the job order period or portion thereof. If the offered wage disclosed in this clearance order is based on commissions, bonuses, or other incentives, the employer assures that the wage paid will equal or exceed the monthly AEWR, the agreed-upon collective bargaining wage, or the applicable minimum wage imposed by Federal or State law or judicial action, whichever is highest, and will be paid to each worker free and clear without any unauthorized deductions. The employer may prorate the wage for the initial and final pay periods of the job order period does not match the beginning or ending dates of the job order. The employer also may prorate the wage if an employee is voluntarily unavailable to work for personal reasons. 20 CFR 655.210(g).

- 12. **FREQUENCY OF PAY**: Employer agrees to pay workers when due based on the frequency disclosed in this clearance order. 20 CFR 655.122(m).
- 13. ABANDONMENT OF EMPLOYMENT OR TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: If a worker voluntarily abandons employment before the end of the contract period, or is terminated for cause, employer is not responsible for providing or paying for the subsequent transportation and subsistence expenses of that worker, and that worker is not entitled to the three-fourths guarantee, if the employer notifies the Department of Labor and, if applicable, the Department of Homeland Security, in writing or by any other method specified by the Department of Labor or the Department of Homeland Security in the Federal Register, not later than 2 working days after the abandonment or termination occurs. A worker will be deemed to have abandoned the work contract if the worker fails to show up for work at the regularly scheduled time and place for 5 consecutive work days without the consent of the employer. 20 CFR 655.122(n).
  - CONTRACT IMPOSSIBILITY: The work contract may be terminated before the end date of work specified in the work contract if the services of the workers are no longer required for reasons beyond the control of the employer due to fire, weather, or other Act of God that makes fulfillment of the contract impossible, as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the event that the work contract is terminated, the employer agrees to fulfill the three-fourths guarantee for the time that has elapsed from the start date of work specified in the work contract to the date of termination. The employer also agrees that it will make efforts to transfer the worker to other comparable employment acceptable to the worker and consistent with existing immigration laws. In situations where a transfer is not affected, the employer agrees to 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 his/her next certified H-2A employer, whichever the worker prefers. The employer will also reimburse the worker the full amount of any deductions made by the employer from the worker's pay for transportation and subsistence expenses to the place of employment. The employer will also pay the worker for any transportation and subsistence expenses incurred by the worker to that employer's place of employment. The amounts the employer will pay for subsistence expenses per day are those amounts disclosed in this clearance order. 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. 20 CFR 655.122(o).

The employer is not required to pay for transportation and daily subsistence from the place of employment to a subsequent employer's worksite if the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has agreed to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and subsistence expenses from the present employer's worksite to the subsequent employer's worksite. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(2).

- 15. <u>DEDUCTIONS FROM WORKER'S PAY</u>: Employer agrees to make all deductions from the worker's paycheck required by law. This job offer discloses all deductions not required by law which the employer will make from the worker's paycheck and all such deductions are reasonable, in accordance with 20 CFR 655.122(p) and 29 CFR part 531. The wage requirements of 20 CFR 655.120 will not be met where undisclosed or unauthorized deductions, rebates, or refunds reduce the wage payment made to the employee below the minimum amounts required under 20 CFR part 655, subpart B, or where the employee fails to receive such amounts free and clear because the employee kicks back directly or indirectly to the employer or to another person for the employer's benefit the whole or part of the wage delivered to the employee. 20 CFR 655.122(p).
- 16. <u>DISCLOSURE OF WORK CONTRACT</u>: Employer agrees to provide a copy of the work contract 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. For an H-2A worker coming to the employer from another H-2A employer, the employer agrees to provide a copy of the work contract no later than the time an offer of employment is made to the H-2A worker. A copy of the work contract will be provided to each worker in a language understood by the worker, as necessary or reasonable. In the absence of a separate, written work contract entered into between the employer and the worker, the required terms of this clearance order, including all Addendums, and the certified *H-2A Application for Temporary Employment Certification* will be the work contract. 20 CFR 655.122(q).

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### 17. ADDITIONAL ASSURANCES FOR CLEARANCE ORDERS:

A. Employer agrees to provide to workers referred through the clearance system the number of hours of work disclosed in this clearance order for the week beginning with the anticipated date of need, unless the employer has amended the date of need at least 10 business days before the original date of need by so notifying the Order-Holding Office (OHO) in writing (e.g., e-mail notification). The employer understands that it is the responsibility of the SWA to make a record of all notifications and attempt to inform referred workers of the amended date of need expeditiously. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(i).

If there is a change to the anticipated date of need, and the employer fails to notify the OHO at least 10 business days before the original date of need, the employer agrees that it will pay eligible workers referred through the clearance system the specified rate of pay disclosed in this clearance order for the first week starting with the originally anticipated date of need or will provide alternative work if such alternative work is stated on the clearance order. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(5).

- B. Employer agrees that no extension of employment beyond the period of employment specified in the clearance order will relieve it from paying the wages already earned, or if specified in the clearance order as a term of employment, providing transportation from the place of employment, as described in paragraph 7.B above. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(ii).
- C. 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. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(iii).
- D. Employer agrees to expeditiously notify the OHO or SWA by emailing and telephoning 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. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(iv).
- E. If acting as a farm labor contractor (FLC) or farm labor contractor employee (FLCE) on this clearance order, the employer assures that it has a valid Federal FLC certificate or Federal FLCE identification card and when appropriate, any required State FLC certificate. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(v).
- F. Employer assures that outreach workers will have reasonable access to the workers in the conduct of outreach activities pursuant to 20 CFR 653.107. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(vii).

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read and reviewed this clearance order, including every page of this Form ETA-790A and all supporting addendums, and that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained therein is true and accurate. This clearance 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. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(viii). I understand that to knowingly furnish materially false information in the preparation of this form and any supplement thereto or to aid, abet, or counsel another to do so is a federal offense punishable by fines, imprisonment, or both. 18 U.S.C. 2, 1001.

Last (family) name *  VanDrie	First (given) name *  Elizabeeth	3. Middle initial §
4. Title * Manager		
5. Signature (or digital signature) * Digital Signature Verified and Retained By	ertifying Officer	6. Date signed * 4/7/2022

# **Employment Service Statement**

In view of the statutorily established basic function of the Employment Service (ES) as a no-fee labor exchange, that is, as a forum for bringing together employers and job seekers, neither the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) nor the SWAs 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 ES constitute a contractual job offer to which the ETA or a SWA is in any way a party. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(1)(i).

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# C. Additional Place of Employment Information

1. Name of Agricultural Business §	2. Place of Employment *	3. Additional Place of Employment Information §	4. Begin Date §	5. End Date §	6. Total Workers §
Walter's Nursery LLC	4769 64th Street Holland, Michigan 49423 OTTAWA	Old Tinholt Field	6/1/2022	11/19/2022	5
Walter's Nursery LLC	1468 W 32nd Street Holland, Michigan 49423 OTTAWA	Horseshoe/Pony	6/1/2022	11/19/2022	5
Walter's Nursery LLC	4743 66th Street Holland, Michigan 49423 OTTAWA	Rolling Acres	6/1/2022	11/19/2022	5

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### H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

a. Job Offer Information 1

Section/Item Number *	A.8a	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Job Duties		
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3.500 characters) *					

The nursery worker position includes duties associated with nursery crops. It includes adherence to instruction given in regard to proper procedures and techniques. This work requires adherence to important food safety and quality standard operating procedures and the ability to work quickly and consistently alongside fellow workers with a positive, professional, team-based attitude and a consideration for the safety and health of fellow workers and the consumers who will purchase and consume the fresh produce grown, harvested, packed and shipped from the farm. Workers will be required to follow all food safety guidelines.

Crops Contained in Request: Annuals, Perennials, Hosta

Workers may perform the following job duties on any of the commodities listed above and various points during the duration of the contract.

Manual tasks related to the growing of nursery stock will include some combination of the following: preparing fields by clearing cull stock, brush, and debris; planting seedlings by hand, digging, loading, unloading, or transplanting bare-root nursery stock, straightening, tying, pruning, and shearing tree and shrubs, cutting, pulling or removing and mowing of weeds and grass. Workers will be involved in planting, tagging, labeling, applying container components such as hangers and handles, placing pots in trays to be filled. Workers will be setting down planted material, weeding all crops, building racks and pallets, and cleaning production area.

#### Perennials and Hosta

Farm Equipment Operation During Field Operations: Workers may be required to operate tractors and other farm equipment during field operations as an incidental activity in the production of crops. Properly licensed workers may be required to transport fellow employees. Before any worker is required to operate any farm equipment, the worker will be instructed in the proper and safe operation of tractor. Workers will be required to operate tractors according to instructions and in a manner that protects the operator, other workers, trees, crops and equipment. Repeated failure to obey operating and safety instructions may result in termination.

Work duties include: planting, cultivating, harvesting and transplanting crops. Other duties include the spraying, weeding, fertilizing, watering plants and processing plant material. Workers will use their hands and gardening tools to perform tasks.

When the work noted above is not being performed, workers may clean break-rooms, lunch area, bathrooms, office space, property maintenance with weeding, mowing and trimming.

#### b. Job Offer Information 2

Section/Item Number * D.10 2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Co	Additional Housing Information
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### 3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \*

Housing Units are built specifically for compliance with the DOL OSHA standards set forth in 29 CFR 1910.142.

The units possess beds, showers, lavatories, and space for storing personal items. There is a shared kitchen with ample cooking and refrigeration, provided appliances, a common dining area and laundry facilities. All utilities are provided free of charge. Employees residing in the housing may have mail directed to their respective addresses.

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### H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

c. Job Offer Information 3

F.2 Section/Item Number 2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition \* Inbound/Outbound Transportation - Inbound/Outbound Con't

3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \*
After a worker has completed fifty percent of the work contract period, the employer will reimburse the worker for the cost of transportation and subsistence from the place the worker came from to the place of work, if such costs are borne by the worker.

The employer will not repay transportation for workers that do not have legal, suitable documents to comply with DHS/USCIS (Form I-9), are discharged for lawful job-related reason, apply for employment knowingly unable to perform the job activities, or who abandon employment. This benefit is not applicable to local workers who are not eligible for employer-provided housing.

Upon completion of the work contract, the employer will pay economic costs of a worker's subsistence and return transportation to the place of recruitment, except when the worker will not be returning to the place of recruitment due to subsequent employment with another employer who agrees to pay such costs, the employer will then only pay for the transportation to the next job.

The amount of such transportation payment will be equal to the worker's actual transportation costs not to exceed the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distance involved. The employer reserves the right to charter or to otherwise arrange transportation to the point of recruitment, or to offer any combination of payment, chartered and/or arranged transportation to the point of recruitment. If the employer arranges transportation, and the worker does not use that transportation, the worker will be reimbursed only the cost of the employer arranged transportation. Employees eliqible for reimbursement under the program will be provided subsistence reimbursement.

The amount of subsistence payment shall be no less than the amount permitted under the current Consumer Price Index as indicated in 20 CFR 655.122(h)(l). The current minimum subsistence rate is \$14 per day for 2022.

The employer will provide transportation and subsistence under this agreement to the workers whose services are no longer required for reasons beyond the control of the employer due to fire, hurricane, or other Acts of God which makes fulfillment of the contract impossible, with the exception if a worker is displaced by a U.S. worker under the Fifty Percent Rule. This benefit does not apply to workers who voluntarily quit employment before the end of the contract, miss 5 consecutive work days without the employer's consent that constitutes abandonment of employment, or who are terminated for cause. The employer will notify the Department of Labor if an employee has abandoned the job or has been terminated for cause.

#### d. Job Offer Information 4

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1. Section/Item Number * E.1	Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Meal Provision - Housing Con't
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3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \*

If both male and female workers are hired, separate toilet and shower facilities are available and will be provided by the employer. There is no family housing provided as that is not the prevailing practice.

Workers who reside in such housing agree to be responsible for maintaining the housing in a neat and clean manner. Before occupancy, housing shall be in compliance with OSHA standards set forth in 29 CFR 1910.142. If there is a problem with the housing, it is the worker's responsibility to mention it to the employer. If for any reason rental housing is required, these facilities would also comply with local and state health and safety standards.

Reasonable repair cost of damage, other than that caused by normal wear and tear, will be charged to the workers found to be responsible for the damage to housing or furnishings. The employer retains possession and control of the housing premises at all times. Workers who are provided housing under the terms of the work contract shall vacate the housing promptly upon termination of employment as state law requires.

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### H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

e. Job Offer Information 5

 Section/Item Number A.11 2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition \* Pay Deductions - Wages Con't

3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \*
The Adverse Effect Wage Rate, the prevailing hourly wage rate, the piece rate, the agreed upon collective bargaining rate, or the federal or state minimum wage rate, whichever is greatest, will be the minimum rate of pay. At the time of submission of this order, the applicable wage is \$15.37. The Employer assures that if a change in the AEWR, prevailing hourly wage rate, or federal minimum wage rate requires an increase in the guaranteed minimum, such increase will be paid as of the effective

In all cases, the guarantee of not less than the AEWR of /hour for all hours worked in the payroll period will apply. These minimum rates may be adjusted upward at the sole discretion of the employer to account for adverse conditions. If the worker's piece rate earnings for a pay period result in average hourly earnings of less than the quaranteed minimum, the worker will be provided make-up pay to the quaranteed minimum rate.

All farm work activities other than piece rate harvest will be paid based on the hourly rate specified above. The employer will make the following deductions from the worker's wages: FICA taxes and federal income tax withholdings as required by Federal, State, and local law for applicable domestic workers, cash advances and repayment of loans, repayment of overpayment of wages to the worker, recovery of any loss to the employer due to the worker's damage (beyond normal wear and tear) or loss of equipment or damage to housing where it is shown that the worker is responsible and any other deductions expressly authorized by the worker in writing. No deductions will be made which would bring the employee's hourly wage below the Federal Minimum Wage. The employer will not guarantee to pay the worker a bonus but reserves the right to optionally offer a bonus if exceptional job performance is exhibited.

Payroll Periods will be once weekly and workers will be paid on each pay period and will be provided with an earnings statement that is an accordance with 20 CFR 655.122[k]. The employer will also comply with 20 CFR 655.122[ii].

### First Week Wage Guarantee

Employer will provide a worker 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 order holding office no later than 10 days before the date of need. If employer fails to notify the order-holding office, then employer shall pay an eligible worker referred through the clearance system \$614.80, for the first week starting with the originally anticipated date of need. Employer will require worker to perform alternative work if the quarantee cited in this section is invoked. The employer quarantees that the worker's compensation policy will be valid throughout the entire contract period.

If a worker referred through the interstate clearance system fails to notify the order-holding office of continued interest in the job no sooner than 9 days and no later than 5 days before the date of need, the worker will be disqualified from the abovementioned assurance.

#### f. Job Offer Information 6

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# 3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \* Full Crop Commitment

This is regular work, six hours per day, Monday-Friday, and five hours on Saturday for the full remainder of the period of employment. The worker agrees to work for assigned employer(s) whenever work is available during the full remaining period of employment even though work may be slack at times. The worker understands that if the worker guits or is terminated for cause prior to the end of the period of employment, the worker will not receive the 3/4 guarantees and will not receive certain transportation reimbursements. Excessive tardiness and/or absences will not be tolerated and will result in termination. Person seeking employment as a farm laborer must be available for the entire period requested by the employer and possess 3 months experience hand harvesting produce. Successful applicants will be subject to a trial period of up to 2 days during which their performance of required tasks will be evaluated. If the performance is not acceptable to the employer in its sole discretion the worker will be terminated. All domestic and/or nonresident seasonal workers employed pursuant to this job order who satisfactorily completed the previous crop season may be compensated above the stated hourly wage rate. The decision to pay above the stated prevailing hourly rate will be made by the employer, at his sole discretion, and will be based on factors including the recipient's performance and tenure. Employer retains the right to discharge an obviously unqualified worker, malingerer, or recalcitrant worker who is physically able but does not demonstrate the willingness to perform the work necessary for the employer to grow a premium product. All terms and conditions in the job order will apply equally to all workers, domestic and foreign, employed under this job order.

Daily individual work assignments, crew assignments, and location of work, will be made by and at the sole discretion of the farm manger and/or farm supervisor as the needs of the farming operation dictate. Workers may be assigned a variety of duties in any given day and/or different tasks on different days. Workers will be expected to perform any of the listed duties and work on any crop as assigned by the worker's supervisor.

Harvesting specifications can change from time to time during the season due to crop or market conditions, even on the same crop. Workers will be expected to conform to the specific instructions given for each day's work.

The farm owner/supervisor or a designated employee will provide specific instructions and close supervision. Workers will be expected to perform their duties in a timely and proficient manner and will have close supervision. to insure adherence to instruction. Work will be closely monitored and reviewed for quality.

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g. Job Offer Information 7

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3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \* Workers should be able to work on their feet in bent positions for long periods of time. Allergies to ragweed, goldenrod, insect spray, related chemicals, etc may affect workers' ability to perform the job. Workers should be physically able to do the work required with or without reasonable accommodations. Workers are exposed to wet weather early in the morning and heat throughout the day while working in the fields. Temperatures may range from 10 to 100 F. Workers may be required to work during occasional showers not severe enough to stop field operations. Workers will report to work at the designated time and place as directed by the grower each day. The standard work is 6 hours per day. In peak periods of seasonal crop demands, employees may be requested but not required to work up to 12 or more hours per day and/or on the Sabbath or Federal holidays depending upon the conditions in the fields, weather, orders, and maturity of the crop. Employees may volunteer to work additional hours when work is available. Workers should expect occasional periods of little or no work because of weather, crop or other conditions beyond the employer's control. These periods can occur any time throughout the season. All operational specifications can change during the season due to crop or market condition. Workers will be expected to conform to the specific instructions given for each day's work. A farm manager, supervisor, or a designated employee will provide instructions and general supervision. The grower or supervisor will make daily individual work assignments, team or crew assignments, and determine location of work as the needs of the operation dictates. Workers may be assigned a variety of duties in any given day and different tasks on different days. Person seeking employment as a farm laborer must be available for the entire period requested by the employer and possess 3 months experience hand harvesting produce. Successful applicants will be subject to a trial period of up to 2 days during which their performance of required tasks will be evaluated. If the performance is not acceptable to the employer in its sole discretion the worker will be terminated. All domestic and/or nonresident seasonal workers employed pursuant to this job order who satisfactorily completed the previous crop season may be compensated above the stated hourly wage rate. The decision to pay above the stated prevailing hourly rate will be made by the employer, at his sole discretion, and will be based on factors including the recipient's performance and tenure. Employer retains the right to discharge an obviously unqualified worker, malingerer, or recalcitrant worker who is physically able but does not demonstrate the willingness to perform the work necessary for the employer to grow a premium product. All terms and conditions in the job order will apply equally to all workers, domestic and foreign, employed under this job order.

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3. Details of Material Term or Condition (*up to 3,500 characters*) \*
The employer may terminate the worker with notification to the Employment Service if the worker: (a) refuses without justified cause to perform work for which the worker was recruited and hired; (b) commits serious acts of misconduct; or (c) fails, after completing any training or break-in period, to reach production standards when production standards are applicable. The employer may discipline the worker including requiring the worker to leave (without pay) the field for a period determined by the foreman, unpaid suspension from employment for up to three days, or termination of employment. Workers will be terminated or disciplined for failure to follow work rules.

The acclimatization period for all crop activities is 2 days starting with the first day of employment to acclimate the worker to the physical demands of farm work and to familiarize workers with job specifications and to demonstrate proper harvest methods and other crop specific issues. After completion of the acclimatization period, workers are to keep up with fellow employees and not detrimentally affect other workers' productivity.

The employer will expeditiously notify the order-holding office or State agency by telephone, email, or written correspondence 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 agrees to abide by the regulations at 20 CFR 655.135, Assurances. The working conditions will 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 is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer and will offer U.S. workers at least the same opportunities, wages, benefits, and working conditions as those in which the employer offers or intends to offer to nonimmigrant workers.

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 Section/Item Number A.8a 2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition \* Job Duties - Work Rules

3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) \*
The following rules are intended to provide standards of conduct expected of workers employed under this contract. Violations of these rules or other lawful, job-related employer requirements will be considered grounds for termination. In cases of less serious violations, penalties such as suspension without pay for up to three days will be imposed. Workers are expected to comply with ALL rules related to discipline, attendance, work quality or quantity and the care or maintenance of all property.

- 1. Workers who perform fraudulent or sloppy work will be suspended without pay for the remainder of the workday or up to three days based on the supervisor's consideration of the degree of infraction, the worker's prior record, and other relevant factors. Subsequent offenses may result in termination or discharge.
- 2. No use or possession of alcohol or unlawful drugs is permitted during work time or during any workday or before work is completed for that day (such as during meal or beak periods). Workers may not report for work under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. Illegal drugs may not be used or kept on the employer's premises. Random drug testing may be conducted by employer, employees must be willing to submit to a random drug test(s).
- 3. Excessive absences or tardiness will not be permitted. Excessive absence is defined as three consecutive days of unexcused absence or five unexcused absences within a 30-day period without the employer's consent.
- 4. Workers are expected to maintain cleanliness of their living quarters and shall promptly report problems to the employer. Workers shall cooperate with other workers assigned to the same housing in maintaining cleanliness of kitchen, dining, bathroom and living areas.
- 5. Workers living in employer-provided housing that are assigned bunk beds may not separate or move bunk beds.
- 6. Workers living in employer-provided housing may not cook in sleeping rooms or any other non-kitchen areas.
- 7. Workers may not repeatedly drop paper, cans, bottles, or other trash in fields, packinghouses, or housing areas. Trash and waste receptacles must be used.
- 8. With the exception of the worker's assigned housing and/or work area/field, workers may not enter employer's premises without authorization by the person in charge.
- 9. With the exception of the worker's assigned housing, workers may not enter the employer's premises at times other than during hours the employee is scheduled to work.
- 10. Workers may not begin work prior to the scheduled starring time or continue working after stopping time unless authorized by the employer.
- 11. Workers may not abuse or extend break periods which may be provided or take unauthorized breaks from work.
- 12. Workers may not deliberately restrict production.
- 13. Workers may not engage in horseplay, scuffling, throwing things, wasting time or loitering during work hours. Worker may be discharged for fighting on the employer's premises at any time.
- 14. Workers may not post or remove any notices, signs or other instructions on the employer's property.

#### j. Job Offer Information 10

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1. Section/Item Number 3 2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition \* Job Duties - Work Rules Con't A.8a

- 3. Details of Material Term or Condition (*up to 3,500 characters*) \* 15. Worker may be discharged if they steal from fellow workers or from the employer.
- 16. Workers may not falsify personal, medical, production or other work-related records.
- 17. Workers may not willfully abuse or destroy any machinery, equipment, tools or other property belonging to the employer or other employees.
- 18. After the first full day of employment, workers are to keep up with fellow workers and not detrimentally affect other workers' productivity.
- 19. Workers may not commit acts of insubordination.
- 20. Workers may not interrupt other workers' rest/sleep periods by excessive or unnecessary noise or commotion.
- 21. Workers may not have guests in employer-provided housing past 10:00 pm on Sunday through Friday or on Saturday past 12:00 am. Workers and/or their guests may not engage in indecent, immoral or illegal conduct at any time on the employer's premises.
- 22. Repeated failure to follow instructions, obey safety requirements, equipment and vehicle operation instructions may result in termination.
- 23. Any worker who repeatedly impedes the progress of the group by tardiness, leaving early, lax adherence to harvesting or packing standards, or rough handling of produce may be terminated.
- 24. No firearms or other weapons may be brought onto the employer's premises AT ANY TIME.
- 25. The use of cellular telephones is not permitted during work hours, unless in cases of special circumstances where use must first be approved in writing by a farm manager.

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