**Research Consent Form**

I acknowledge that I am volunteering to participate in this focus group, and that I understand the following:

* This research is being conducted on behalf of the National Women’s Business Council, an advisory group to the President, Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration.
* The session could not go forward without approval from the federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The control number, indicating approval, is [OMB control number].
* This session is being videotaped.
* The information I share may be used to inform further research, decisions, and actions by the National Women’s Business Council.
* There are no known risks or costs associated with participating in the focus group.
* I will receive $25 for participating, plus the opportunity to receive an additional $150 through a drawing, at the close of the focus group session.
* The session will take two hours.
* All responses I give will be held confidential by PPA. My name will not be shared beyond the PPA research team, whether in reports, transcripts, or data sets, unless I give written permission. The data from the focus group research will only be reported in aggregate.

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