



**CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
VOLUME I**

PWC2223029

**PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND
GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY
RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT**

ISSUED FOR BID

JULY 2023



**Fayetteville Public Works Commission
Administrative Building
955 Old Wilmington Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301**

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID
FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER
TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

**Cumberland County
North Carolina**

Pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-129, sealed bids are solicited and will be received at Fayetteville Public Works Commission, Administration Building, Conference Room 107, 955 Old Wilmington Road, Fayetteville, NC 28301, until **2:00 p.m., EST Tuesday, August 29, 2023**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read for construction of:

SINGLE PRIME CONTRACT:

P.O. Hoffer WTF: Includes furnishing, installing, and/or modifying facilities as described under Contract No. 55 hereafter. Raw water pump station upgrades including new duplex rotary screw air compressor; new powdered activated carbon storage and feed facility; new filtered water mixing vault; various process piping upgrades including 48-inch and 30-inch finished water butterfly valve replacement and powdered activated carbon feed manhole; a new electrical building with masonry block and brick veneer. All work identified above shall include all other site/civil, structural, architectural, HVAC, electrical, and control system disciplines to furnish functional process and support systems noted above.

Glenville Lake WTF: Includes furnishing, installing, and/or modifying facilities as described under Contract No. 55 hereafter. Replace the entire existing SCADA control system at the plant with new system including all new PLC hardware, new in-plant network communication hardware, and new SCADA software; provide new RTUs to control the filter process; provide new in-plant SCADA fiber optic network backbone; provide new SCADA wireless network throughout the treatment plant including new wireless SCADA operator interface devices (tablets); provide new ultrasonic level instruments at each existing filter; provide new flow switches at all existing emergency eyewash/shower assemblies and alarm notification in SCADA; demolition of old filter consoles, floor patch and tile installation; replacement of multi-function protective relays for 4160V pumps; architectural upgrades to the existing control room to include new desk and monitor configuration for SCADA and security uses; installation of new chemical duct bank between existing structures; and replacement of filter effluent valves.

The foregoing description shall not be construed as a complete description of all work required. All work shall be done in accordance with PWC technical specifications and standard contract terms.

A MANDATORY pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m., EST insert Wednesday, August 16, 2023 via web conference. All potential bidders must email Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor at tanya.hazlett@faypwc.com of their intent to attend, and to be added to the meeting ID: 267 636 043 965 Passcode: JdtYMp. Potential bidders will have the ability to join the virtual meeting via phone at: (910) 302-6113 with Phone Conference ID 671007339 # and/or via Microsoft Teams. It is encouraged to utilize Microsoft Teams as this pre-bid meeting may contain a presentation of plans and an agenda. Should you need assistance accessing Microsoft Teams via web, smart phone, or tablet, please contact Insert Advisor Name via email at the email address listed above or via phone at (910) 223-4023.

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FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

Questions will be fielded at the pre-bid meeting and all prospective bidders are required to attend the meeting. Individual telephone inquiries are prohibited. The PWC assumes no responsibility to fully inform absentees of clarifications not issued by addendum.

PWC has received financial assistance from the State of North Carolina (the "State") under the State Revolving Fund Program (SRF). The SRF program includes provisions that establish goals and other requirements relating to participation by certified Minority Business Enterprises (MBE)/Women Business Enterprises, wage rates set forth under the Davis Bacon Act, and requirements of the American Iron and Steel Act. The Bidder to whom the contract is awarded shall comply with the statutory requirements of these provisions as specified within the contract documents. HUB Certified contractors are encouraged to submit a bid for this project.

All bidders are notified that the requirements of the SRF program for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Plan for Construction, Procurement, and Professional Services shall be adhered to in the submission of all bids and shall be made a part of this contract.

Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor, Fayetteville Public Works Commission, 955 Old Wilmington Road, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301. The outside of the envelope must be marked **SEALED BID: PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55** and shall indicate the name, address and state license number of the bidder. Bids shall be submitted on the printed forms, or exact copies thereof, contained in the Contract Documents.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond of five percent (5%) of the bid executed by a surety company licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute the Contract in accordance with the bid bond and upon failure to forthwith make payment, the surety shall pay the obligee an amount equal to the amount of said bond. Said deposit shall be retained by the Owner as liquidated damages in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the Contract within ten (10) days after the Notice of Award or give satisfactory surety as required by law.

Performance and Payment Bonds are required in the amount of 100% of the Contract amount and shall be furnished by the Contractor.

All Contractors are notified that North Carolina Statutory provisions as to licensing of Contractors will be followed as applicable in receiving and evaluating bids and in reading and awarding the Contract (Chapter 87 of the North Carolina General Statutes).

The license classification shall be:

Part 1:	Public Utilities (Water and Sewer)	-	Unlimited
	Unclassified	-	Unlimited

Plans and specifications, including Contract Documents, may be obtained at the following website and offices:

Fayetteville Public Works Commission
Procurement Department
955 Old Wilmington Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301
<https://www.faypwc.com/purchasing/>

Fayetteville State University Construction
Resource Office (FSU CRO)
1200 Murchison Rd., Room 335
Fayetteville, NC 28301
<https://www.uncfsu.edu/academics/colleges-schools-and-departments/broadwell-college-of-business-and-economics/outreach-centers/construction-resource-office>

ISQFT Plan Room
10108 Woodview Circle
Charlotte, NC 28277
isqftmr@gmail.com

McGraw-Hill Construction/ Dodge Plan Room
3315 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71913
dodgedocumentca@mhfi.com

Hazen and Sawyer, Environmental Engineers
and Scientists
4011 WestChase Blvd.
Suite 500
Raleigh, NC 27607
PWCReliability@hazenandsawyer.com

In collaboration with the North Carolina Institute of Minority Economic Development, the FSU CRO offers services and support to help small, minority, veteran, and women-owned businesses identify and compete for construction-related projects.

At the FSU CRO, potential bidders may:

- Research, view and print project drawings to scale free of charge;
- Use available software to prepare their bid; and
- Receive certification and pre-qualification assistance.

Please email the FSU CRO to make an appointment: fsucro@uncfsu.edu

Plans and Specifications are also being furnished to ISQFT (www.isqft.com) for online posting. Purchase of the documents is not required to bid.

Fayetteville Public Works Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids for any reason determined by PWC to be in its best interest, or to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders, taking into consideration quality, performance, and the time specified in the bids for the performance of the contract.

The bidder to whom the contract may be awarded must comply fully with the requirements of North Carolina General Statutes Section 143-129, as amended.

No bids may be withdrawn after the scheduled Bid Opening for a period of ninety (90) calendar days.

FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
Candice S. Kirtz
Director of Supply Chain

**00100 - INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER
TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

A. DEFINED TERMS

Terms used in these Instructions to Bidders are defined in the Definitions and Terminology sections of the PWC General Conditions.

B. COPIES OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

1. Complete sets of the Bidding Documents as stated in the Invitation to Bidders, may be obtained from the PWC Procurement Department.
2. Complete sets of Bidding Documents shall be used in preparing Bids. PWC assumes no responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Bidding Documents.

C. EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, OTHER RELATED DATA, AND PROJECT SITE

1. Before submitting a Bid, each Bidder shall (a) examine the Contract Documents thoroughly, (b) visit the site and become familiar with the site and any local conditions that may in any manner affect the cost, progress, or performance of the Work, (c) be familiar with federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that may in any manner affect cost, progress or performance of the Work, and (d) study and carefully correlate Bidder's observations with the Contract Documents, and (e) give the PWC Procurement Advisor written notice of all conflicts, errors or discrepancies in the Contract Documents.
2. Bidders should consult the Specifications for the identification of those reports of investigations and tests of subsurface and latent physical conditions at the site or reports that otherwise may affect cost, progress, or performance of the Work which may have been utilized in the preparation of the Drawings and Specifications. PWC will make copies of such reports if available at the cost (non-refundable) of reproduction to any Bidder requesting them. These reports are not intended to constitute any explicit or implicit representation as to the nature of the subsurface and latent physical conditions, which may be encountered at the site or to constitute explicit or implicit representations as to any other matter, contained in any report. Such reports are not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness and are not part of the Contract Documents. Before submitting a Bid, each Bidder will, at its own expense, make such investigations and tests as the Bidder may deem necessary to determine his Bid for the performance of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
3. On request (minimum 48 hours advance notice), PWC will provide each Bidder access to the site to conduct such investigations and tests, as each Bidder deems necessary for submission of its Bid.
4. The lands upon which the Work is to be performed, right-of-way for access thereto, and other lands available for use by the Contractor in performing the Work are identified in the

Contract Documents.

5. The submission of a Bid constitutes an incontrovertible representation by the Bidder that it has complied with every requirement of this Section and that the Contract Documents are sufficient in scope and detail to indicate and convey an understanding of all terms and conditions for the performance of the Work.

D. INTERPRETATIONS AND ADDENDA

1. All questions about the meaning or intent of the bid or Contract Documents shall be submitted in writing to Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor, by email to Tanya.Hazlett@faypwc.com. In order to receive consideration, questions must be received by Friday, August 18, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Any interpretations of questions so raised, which in the opinion of the Project Engineer require interpretations, will be issued by Addenda via email or posted online by the Owner and/or Design Engineer. An Addendum extending the Bid Opening date may be issued up to five (5) business days before the Bid Opening date. An Addendum withdrawing the Invitation for Bid may be issued any time prior to the Bid Opening date. The Owner and Design Engineer will not be responsible for oral interpretations or clarifications, which anyone presumes to make on their behalf.

Bidders are expressly prohibited from contacting any PWC official or employee associated with this project, except as noted above. Violation of this prohibition is grounds for the immediate disqualification of the bidder.

2. PWC may issue such additional Addenda as may be necessary to clarify, correct, or change the Contract Documents. Such Addenda, if any, will be issued in the manner and within the time stated in Paragraph 1 of this Section.
3. Each Bidder shall be responsible for determining that all Addenda issued by PWC have been received before submitting a Bid for the Work.
4. Each Bidder shall acknowledge the receipt of each Addendum on the Bid Form.

E. QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

1. **Bidder Qualification Form** – The Bid package shall include the completed Qualification of Bidders Form and all supporting documentation.
2. **Statutory Requirements** – The Bidder shall comply with all federal, state, and local statutes, regulations, and codes as they relate to the Project. Failure to comply with these requirements shall be considered a breach of Contract.

F. SUBSTITUTE MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT

The Contract, if awarded, will be on the basis of material and equipment described in the Drawings or required in the Specifications without consideration of possible substitute or "or-equal" items. The procedure for submittal of substitute or "or-equal" items for consideration is set forth in the PWC General Conditions.

G. CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE

1. No General Contractor shall engage in contracting work in the State of North Carolina unless it has been licensed under in accordance with North Carolina law.

2. Bidders are prohibited from contracting for, or bidding upon, the construction, removal, repair or improvements to or upon real property owned, controlled or leased by Fayetteville Public Works Commission without a North Carolina Contractor's License.
3. Each bidder shall indicate its North Carolina Contractor's License number on the bid envelope and the Bid Form.
4. License Classification shall be:
 - Public Utilities Water and Sewer: Unlimited
 - Unclassified: Unlimited

H. SUBCONTRACTORS

1. Contractor shall subcontract no more than 49 percent (49%) of the value of the Contract.
2. Each Bidder shall submit to PWC with its bid the List of Subcontractors, Suppliers, other persons, and organizations proposed for those portions of the Work for which such identification is required. If PWC, after due investigation has reasonable objection to any proposed Subcontractor, Supplier, other person or organization, PWC may, before Notice of Award is given, request apparent Successful Bidder to submit an acceptable substitute without an increase in the Bid.
3. If the apparent Successful Bidder declines to make such a substitution, PWC may award the Contract to the next lowest responsive, responsible Bidder that proposes to use acceptable Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other persons, and organizations. The declining to make requested substitutions will not constitute grounds for sacrificing the bid security of any Bidder. If PWC does not make written objection to a Bidder's list of Subcontractors, Suppliers, other persons, or organizations prior to giving Notice of Award, the list will be considered acceptable, subject to revocation as provided in the PWC General Conditions.

I. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

1. See DWI Requirements (Section A: General)
2. Bidder shall submit, with its Proposal, all documentation requested in the Contract Documents. A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held as important information will be reviewed during the meeting. Failure to submit proper documentation may result in disqualification of the Proposal. Questions regarding disadvantaged business requirements shall be directed to Nikole Bohannon, Small Local Supplier Program manager, at (910) 223-4016 / nikole.bohannon@faypwc.com.

J. SMALL LOCAL SUPPLIER (SLS) PROGRAM

1. PWC is committed to promoting the utilization of small, local businesses in the Fayetteville Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) by increasing opportunities for those businesses to participate in PWC procurements. The MSA consists of Cumberland County, Hoke County, and Harnett County. PWC requires Bidders to report efforts to utilize Small Local

Suppliers for specific projects and requires all Bidders to report all such efforts for small, local businesses regardless of the requirements of a specific project. Bidders should document any good-faith efforts and utilization in the Small Local Supplier Disclosure Form provided within the Contract Documents. It is strongly recommended that the Bidder attend the Pre-Bid Meeting, as important information will be reviewed.

K. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

1. All Bidders shall use the enclosed Bid Forms, or exact copies thereof, in submitting their bid prices. PWC will not accept oral Bids or Bids received by telephone, email, or telecopier (FAX machine) for this Bid.
2. All prices must be F.O.B. delivered to the point as indicated by this Bid. PWC will grant no allowance for boxing, crating, or delivery unless specifically provided for in this Bid.
3. The Bid Form must be completed in black ink. Black or blue pen ink is acceptable if handwritten. Discrepancies between amounts shown in words and amounts shown in figures will be resolved in favor of the amounts shown in words. Discrepancies in the multiplication of units of Work and the unit prices will be resolved in favor of the correct multiplication of the unit prices. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum.
4. Bid submittals sent by mail should be registered mail. The sealed Bid, marked as indicated above, should be enclosed in an additional sealed envelope similarly marked and addressed to:

Fayetteville Public Works Commission
Attn: Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor
955 Old Wilmington Road
Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301

5. Mark the envelope in the lower left-hand corner with the project title, hour and due date of Bid, and the Bidder's North Carolina contractor registration number.
6. Bids sent by mail and arriving after the time for the opening of Bids shall not be considered valid Bids. In such instances, the Bidders shall have no claim against PWC.
7. All items contained in the Bid Checklist shall be completely filled out and submitted with the bid. Failure to submit any of the items requested with the Bid Form may be just cause for rejection of the Bid by PWC.
8. All erasures, insertions, additions, and other changes made by the Bidder to the Bid Form shall be signed or initialed by the Bidder. Bids containing any conditions, omissions, erasures, alterations, or items not called for in the Bid, may be rejected by PWC as being incomplete or nonresponsive.
9. The Bid Form must be signed in order to be considered. If the Bidder is a corporation, the Bid must be submitted in the name of the corporation, not simply the corporation's trade name. In addition, the Bidder must indicate the corporate title of the individual signing the Bid.

10. The Bid Form, the Bid security, if any, and any other documents required, shall be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope. Any notation or notations on the exterior of the envelope purporting to alter, amend, modify, or revise the bid contained within the envelope shall be of no effect and shall be disregarded.
11. All Bids received in the Procurement Department by the deadline indicated will be kept sealed until the time and date of the Bid Opening.
12. All late Bids shall be returned unopened to the sender.

L. BID BOND

1. Each Bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable Bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Bid amount, and made payable to Fayetteville Public Works Commission, North Carolina.
2. The Bid bond is a guarantee that if the contract is awarded by PWC to the Bidder, the Bidder shall enter into the contract with PWC for the work mentioned in this Bid or forfeit the Bid bond to PWC, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.
3. No forfeiture under a Bid bond shall exceed the lesser of (a) the difference between the Bid for which the Bid bond was written and the next low Bid of another Bidder, or (b) the face amount of the Bid bond.
4. All bonds shall be executed by a surety company selected by the Bidder, which is legally authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina (NCGS §44 A-26), and the bond shall be the same in both form as well as substance as AIA Document A310, Bid Bond.
5. The Bidder shall require the attorney-in-fact, who executed the required bond on behalf of the surety company, to affix thereto a certified and current copy of the power of attorney.
6. The bond premium shall be paid by the Bidder and the cost shall be included in the Bid price.
7. Any inspection of procurement transaction records shall be subject to reasonable restrictions to ensure the security and integrity of the records.

M. OPENING OF BIDS

1. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud on the date and time set for the Bid Opening in the Notice to Bidders.
2. Any Bidder, upon request, shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect Bid records within a reasonable time after the opening of all Bids but prior to award, except in the event that PWC decides not to accept any of the Bids and to reopen the contract. Otherwise, bid records shall be open to public inspection only after the award of the Contract.
3. Any inspection of procurement transaction records shall be subject to reasonable restrictions to ensure the security and integrity of the records.

N. MODIFICATION OF BIDS

1. A Bid may be modified or withdrawn by the Bidder at any time prior to the time and date set for the Bid Opening. The Bidder shall notify the PWC Procurement Department in

writing of its intentions.

2. Modified and withdrawn Bids may be resubmitted to the PWC Procurement Department up to the time and date set for the Bid Opening.

O. WITHDRAWAL OF BID DUE TO ERROR

1. If the Bidder desires to withdraw its Bid, the Bidder must do so before the time fixed for the opening, without prejudice, by communicating its purpose in writing to PWC. After bids are open, bids may only be withdrawn in strict accordance with N.C.G.S. Section 143-129-

P. BIDS TO REMAIN OPEN

1. All Bids shall remain open for ninety (90) calendar days after the day of the Bid Opening.

Q. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

1. The estimated quantities contained herein in certain items in the Bid are for the purpose of comparing bids, and while they are believed to be close approximations, they are not guaranteed, and settlement will be made on the basis of the work as actually executed at the unit prices in the Bid as accepted. PWC further reserves the right to delete any single line item or combination of items from the bid and cannot guarantee that all quantities listed in the contract documents will be utilized.

R. AWARD OF CONTRACT

1. PWC reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive, or conditional Bids. PWC reserves the right to request additional information from any or all bidders for evaluation purposes. Failure or refusal to furnish additional information as requested may result in the rejection of the bid.
2. In case of a tie Bid, the tie shall be decided by lot.
3. It is the intent of the PWC to recommend the award of this contract to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder provided the Bid has been submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Bidding Documents and does not exceed the funds available. In determining the lowest responsible Bidder, PWC may consider, among other criteria, the Bidder's past performance conduct on other contracts, and other information provided by the Bidder as noted below.
4. In determining the lowest responsive Bidder, PWC will evaluate the Bidder's proposed Bid price and the completeness of the submitted bid in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.
5. PWC may consider the operating costs, maintenance considerations, performance date, and guarantees of materials and equipment.
6. PWC may conduct such investigations as deemed necessary to assist in the evaluation of any Bid and to establish the responsibility, qualifications and financial ability of the Bidders, as well as other considerations, to include but not limited to resources available to the Bidder to perform the work effectively, proposed Subcontractors and other persons and organizations to do the work in accordance with the Contract Documents to PWC's

satisfaction within the prescribed time.

7. PWC reserves the right to reject the Bid of any Bidder who does not pass any such evaluation to PWC's satisfaction.
8. If the Contract is to be awarded, PWC will give the Successful Bidder a Notice of Award within ninety (90) days after the day of the Bid Opening.
9. The Bidder to whom the contract is awarded shall, within ten (10) days after prescribed documents are presented for signature, execute and deliver the Contract Documents and any other forms or bonds required by the Bid to PWC.
10. The Bidder is required to complete the attached forms that will allow PWC to verify that the Bidder is qualified to perform the Work described in these Contract Documents. All forms shall be completed and submitted with the Bid. Failure to submit all the required forms shall be considered grounds for PWC to reject the bid.

PWC will review all of the bids and qualification data to determine the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder. PWC reserves the right to not award the Contract to the lowest bidder if the information provided is not complete, does not meet the satisfaction of PWC, or has been falsified. PWC will not request any additional information in order to allow the Contractor to complete bid.

11. During the evaluation phase, bid submittals will be reviewed to ascertain which bids technically and otherwise address all the requirements of these Contract Documents. Bid submittals determined to be technically non-responsive or not sufficiently responsive may be disqualified.

The Bidder shall address each of the Evaluation Criteria as requested in the Technical Evaluation Criteria Form located within Section A Project Specifics Bid Submittal Documents. To be considered substantive, the information must respond to all requirements.

12. PWC may conduct such investigations/verifications as deemed necessary to establish the responsibility, qualification and financial ability of the Bidder. Should PWC find that the apparent low bidder is not the lowest responsive, responsible bidder by integrity of the information furnished, said apparent low bidder will be so notified and its bid bond shall be returned without prejudice. Failure or refusal to furnish any items of information requested by PWC shall be considered as non-responsive and therefore basis for rejection of the bid.

S. TAXES

1. The Successful Bidder shall pay all county, city, state and federal taxes required by laws in effect at the time Bids are received and resulting from the Work or traceable thereto, under whatever name levied.
2. Said taxes shall not be in addition to the contract price between PWC and the Successful Bidder. The taxes shall be an obligation of the Successful Bidder and not of PWC. PWC shall be held harmless from same by the Successful Bidder.

T. PERFORMANCE AND OTHER BONDS

1. The PWC General Conditions set forth PWC's requirements as to Performance and other Bonds.

U. E-VERIFY REQUIREMENTS

1. Contractor hereby acknowledges that "E-Verify" is the federal E-Verify program operated by the US Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies which is used to verify the work authorization of newly hired employees pursuant to federal law and in accordance with Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes.
2. Contractor further acknowledges that all employers, as defined by Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes, must use E-Verify and after hiring an employee to work in the United States, shall verify the work authorization of the employee through E-Verify in accordance with NCGS §64-26(a).
3. Contractor hereby pledges, attests and warrants through execution of this Agreement that Contractor complies with the requirements of Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes and further pledges, attests and warrants that any subcontractors currently employed by or subsequently hired by Contractor shall comply with any and all E-Verify requirements. Failure to comply with the above requirements shall be considered a breach of this Agreement.

V. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT

1. As mandated by N.C.G.S. 147-86.59(a), the Contractor hereby certifies that it is not listed on the Final Divestment List created by the North Carolina State Treasurer pursuant to N.C.G.S. 147-86.58. Contractor further certifies that in accordance with N.C.G.S. 146-86.58(b) that it shall not utilize any subcontractor found on the State Treasurer's Final Divestment List. Contractor certifies that the signatory to this Purchase Order authorized by the Contractor to make the foregoing statement.

*** END OF SECTION ***

**BID SCHEDULE – PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY
FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE
WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS
CONTRACT NO. 55**

Pre-Bid Meeting: 10:00 am, Wednesday, August 16, 2023

(MANDATORY)

Via Microsoft Teams
Meeting ID: 267 636 043 965
Passcode: JdtYmp
Call in: 910-302-6113 (671007339#)

Deadline for Questions from Bidders¹ 5:00 pm, Friday, August 18, 2023

Deadline for Addenda issued by PWC Procurement Department and Project Engineer² 5:00 pm, Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Bid Opening (Submittal Deadline) 2:00 pm, Tuesday, August 29, 2023
Fayetteville Public Works Commission
Administrative Building
Conference Room 107
955 Old Wilmington Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301

Contract Time: 548 days

Liquidated Damages: \$3,000 per day for each day beyond the Final Completion Date

Bid Acceptance Period Within ninety (90) Calendar Days unless otherwise noted

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1. Questions regarding this bid must be submitted in writing to the attention of Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor, by email to Tanya.Hazlett@faypwc.com.

Bidders are expressly prohibited from contacting any FPWC official or employee associated with this Invitation to Bid, except as noted above. Violation of this prohibition is grounds for the immediate disqualification of the bidder.

2. Any addenda to these Contract Documents will be issued by the Project Engineer no later than the date and time stated above.

BID SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

- 1. Enter Contractor's License Number where called for in the Bid Form and on the outside of the sealed envelope containing the Bid.
- 2. Photocopy of Contractor's License.
- 3. Bid Bond
- 4. Bid Forms Section 00300.
- 5. Provide the responsible North Carolina Registered Agent for Insurance Claims. Include contact information.
- 6. Provide the proposed responsible Bonding Company name. Include contact information.
- 7. List of proposed Subcontractors and material suppliers exceeding 5% of the Contract Value.
- 8. Non-Collusive Affidavit.
- 9. Nondiscrimination Clause.
- 10. Affidavit of Organization and Authority and Sworn Statement.
- 11. Equal Employment Opportunity Acknowledgment.
- 12. Certification regarding Debarment, Proposed Debarment, and other Responsible Matters.
- 13. FTA Certification Regarding Lobbying.
- 14. Identification of Minority Business Participation Form.
- 15. NC DWI MBE/WBE (DBE) Compliance Supplementals and Attachments
- 16. SLS Disclosure Form.
- 17. The Completed Contractor Qualification Form.

**FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE ABOVE FORMS WITH THE BID FORM MAY BE JUST CAUSE
FOR REJECTION OF THE BID BY THE OWNER**

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00300 - BID FORM

TO: **Fayetteville Public Works Commission**
Attn: Tanya Hazlett, Procurement Advisor
955 Old Wilmington Road
Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301

PROJECT: **PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

FROM: BIDDER _____
ADDRESS _____

DATE OF BID _____, 20 _____

- A. The undersigned BIDDER proposes and agrees, if this Bid is accepted, to enter into a Contract with OWNER in the form included in the Contract Documents to perform and furnish all Work (as that term is defined in the Construction Agreement) specified or indicated in the Contract Documents for the Contract Price and within the Contract Time indicated in this Bid and in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- B. BIDDER accepts all of the terms and conditions of the Instructions to Bidders, including, without limitation, those dealing with the disposition of payment and performance bonds, and insurance certificates. This bid will remain open for ninety (90) calendar days after the day of Bid opening. BIDDER will sign the Contract and submit the Contract Security and other documents required by the Contract Documents within ten (10) days after the date of receipt by the BIDDER.
- C. In submitting this Bid, Bidder represents, as more fully set forth in the Contract, that:
 - 1. BIDDER has examined copies of all the Contract Documents and of the following addenda, receipt of all which is acknowledged on the bid summary page:
 - 2. BIDDER has examined the site and locality where the Work is to be performed, the legal requirements (federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations) and the conditions affecting cost, progress of performance of the work and has made such independent investigations as BIDDER deems necessary.
 - 3. BIDDER acknowledges that OWNER does not assume responsibility for the accuracy of dimensions or completeness of information and data shown or indicated in the Bidding Documents with respect to existing facilities.
 - 4. BIDDER has carefully studied all reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the site of the Work (except underground facilities)

and all drawings of physical conditions in or relating to existing surface or subsurface structures, pipelines, and utilities at or contiguous to the site are provided within these Contract Documents. Geotechnical Reports and other information regarding subsurface conditions are identified in the attached appendices and detailed in Article V of the PWC General Conditions. BIDDER acknowledges that the OWNER does not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information and data shown or indicated in the Bidding Documents with respect to underground facilities at or contiguous to the site of Work. BIDDER had obtained and carefully studied (or assumes responsibility for have done so) all such additional or supplementary examinations investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data that are necessary to identify and understand conditions (surface, subsurface, and underground facilities) at or contiguous to the site of Work or otherwise which may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing the Work or which relate to any aspect of means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Bidder and safety precautions and programs incident thereto. BIDDER waives all rights to claim that any additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the proper submission of the Bid for the performance and furnishing of the Work in accordance with the Contract Time, Contract Price, and other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.

5. BIDDER hereby certifies that, if awarded the Contract for construction of the Project, it will take all possible actions to minimize costs to the OWNER which are related to any disruptions in any part of the Work resulting from unforeseeable conditions which may be encountered and work changes or additions which may be made.
6. BIDDER has correlated the information known to BIDDER, information and observations obtained from visits to the site, reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, and all additional examinations, investigations, exploration, tests, studies, and data with the Contract Documents.
7. BIDDER has given OWNER written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that BIDDER has discovered in the Contract Documents and the written resolution thereof by OWNER is acceptable to BIDDER, and the Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performing and furnishing the Work for which this Bid is submitted.
8. By bidding in response to this invitation, the BIDDER represents that in the preparation and submission of this Bid, said BIDDER did not, either directly or indirectly, enter into any combination or arrangement with any person, firm or corporation or enter into any agreement, participate in any collusion, or otherwise take any action in the restraint of free, competitive bidding in violation of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. Section 1).
9. Bid form must be completed in blue or black ink or by typewriter. The Bid price of

each item on the form must be stated in both words and numerals. In case of a conflict, words shall take precedence. Discrepancies in the multiplication of units of work and unit prices will be resolved in favor of the correct multiplication of the unit prices. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum.

10. BIDDER understands that the award of contract will be made on the basis of the total Bid amount which will be determined as the sum of the unit price and lump sum Bid Items.
11. BIDDER understands that quantities are estimated and are not guaranteed; they are solely for comparing Bids and establishing the total Bid amount. The Price will be modified by Change Order, and final payment will be based on the quantities of work actually furnished and installed by the successful BIDDER.
12. BIDDER shall complete the Work for the prices indicated on the next page.

PROPOSAL

(BID FORM)

SINGLE PRIME CONTRACT
FOR THE
P.O. HOFFER WATER TREATMENT FACILITY
GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY
RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The TOTAL SINGLE PRIME LUMP SUM BASE BID shall include a single Cash Allowance of \$150,000 for equipment and services related to the new SCADA system (see Section 17000, 1.01.C.10).

The TOTAL SINGLE PRIME LUMP SUM BASE BID PRICE for completing all work included in this Contract (inclusive of the Cash Allowance), shall be as follows (in words and numerals):

_____ Dollars and _____
_____ Cents (\$ _____).

The TOTAL SINGLE PRIME LUMP SUM BID PRICE for completing all work included in the ALTERNATE BID, shall be as follows (in words and numerals):

_____ Dollars and _____
_____ Cents (\$ _____).

CONTRACTOR _____
(Print)

CERTIFIED LIST OF MAJOR SUBCONTRACTORS

Note: For a Single Prime Contract System all Bidders must identify on their Bid (below) the Contractor(s) they have selected for the subdivisions or branches of Work for.

The Bidder, as part of the procedure for the submission of Bids on the Project, submits the following list of Major Subcontractors to be used in the performance of work to be done on said Project. Changes to this list after the Bid opening shall only be as approved by the Owner upon request by the Bidder or as required by the Owner based upon review of Bidder's submittals:

Subdivision or Branch of Work (Describe, where applicable)	Name of Contractor	Value of Work as Approx % Total Lump Sum Bid
General Construction		
Electrical		
Controls and Information Systems		
HVAC		
Plumbing		

The Bidder identified on Page 00300-1 shall be listed above as one of the subdivisions or branches.

NOTE: PROPOSAL SIGNATURE REQUIRED ON PAGE 00300-10. ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PROPERLY EXECUTED TO BE CONSIDERED A VALID BID.

CERTIFIED LIST OF EQUIPMENT/MATERIAL MANUFACTURERS

The Bidder, _____, as part of the procedure for the submission of Bids on this project known as the P.O. Hoffer Water Treatment Facility and Glenville Lake Water Treatment Facility – Reliability Improvements, Contract No. 55, submits the following list of Equipment/Materials Manufacturers to be used in the performance of work to be done on said Project. The list of Manufacturers and all equipment/materials furnished shall be based on requirements of the Contract Documents. Changes to this list after the Bid opening shall only be as approved by the Owner upon request by the Contractor or as required by the Owner based upon review of Contractor's submittals:

Section Number	Description	Manufacturer/Supplier/Subcontractor
11180	COMPRESSED AIR EQUIPMENT (ALTERNATE BID)	NAMED A) GARDNER-DENVER B) INGERSOLL-RAND C) QUINCY COMPRESSOR
11240	VERTICAL TURBINE MIXERS (ALTERNATE BID)	NAMED A) PHILADELPHIA MIXING SOLUTIONS B) LIGHTNIN (SPX FLOW)
11335	PERISTALTIC HOSE-TYPE CHEMICAL METERING PUMPS (ALTERNATE BID)	NAMED A) VERDERFLEX B) BREDEL 15 (WATSON MARLOW)
15101	BUTTERFLY VALVES	NAMED A) PRATT B) MUELLER C) DEZURIK D) VAL-MATIC
16305	MEDIUM VOLTAGE MOTOR CONTROL CENTERS	NAMED A) EATON B) SQUARE D C) ABB
16395	MEDIUM VOLTAGE VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVE SYSTEMS	NAMED A) TOSHIBA B) EATON C) TMEIC D) ABB E) ROCKWELL AUTOMATION

Section Number	Description	Manufacturer/Supplier/Subcontractor
16426	LOW VOLTAGE SWITCHBOARDS	NAMED A) EATON B) SQUARE D C) GE BY ABB
16495	LOW VOLTAGE VARIABLE FREQUENCY MOTOR CONTROLLERS	NAMED A) EATON B) SQUARE D C) ROCKWELL AUTOMATION D) ABB E) TOSHIBA
16496	AUTOMATIC TRANSFER SWITCHES	NAMED A) EATON B) GE/ZENITH C) ASCO/SQUARE D

It is understood and agreed that, if awarded a Contract, the Contractor will not make any additions, deletions or substitutions to this Certified list without the consent of the Owner.

The BIDDER has received, acknowledged, and used the following addenda in completing the Bid. (Initial and Date as appropriate).

Addendum No. 1	Date _____
Addendum No. 2	Date _____
Addendum No. 3	Date _____
Addendum No. 4	Date _____
Addendum No. 5	Date _____
Addendum No. 6	Date _____
Addendum No. 7	Date _____

The undersigned BIDDER certifies that they are licensed as a Contractor under N.C.G.S § 87, and that their license number is _____ (License Number).

The undersigned BIDDER hereby agrees to accept an award of the Contract based on the Total Contract Amount as accepted by the OWNER and as indicated on the Notice of Award.

A. BIDDER agrees that Work shall be completed within the time frame indicated in the Agreement as follow:

1. All work described herein to be complete, including restoration and all punch list items from Notice to Proceed until June 30, 2023.
2. The BIDDER acknowledges that time is of the essence in this Contract and that the OWNER will suffer financial loss if the Work is not complete within the time specified in Paragraph D.1 above plus any extensions thereof allowed in accordance with these Contract Documents. BIDDER also recognizes the delays, expense and difficulties involved in proving in a legal proceeding the actual loss suffered by the OWNER if the Work is not complete on time. The Bidder agrees to diligently pursue all available work and complete all work in an expeditious manner.

B. The following documents are attached to and made part of this bid:

Required Bid Security in the form of either a cashier's check or certified check or Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of maximum Bid price.

C. Communications concerning this Bid shall be addressed to: (CONTRACTOR's Name, Address and Telephone Number)

D. The terms used in this Bid which are defined in Definitions and Terminology Section of the PWC General Conditions or as otherwise specifically defined in the Contract Documents have the meanings assigned to them therein, which are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

E. An individual contractor is required to furnish his social security number and sole proprietorship, partnership and corporation are required to furnish their employer identification numbers to Fayetteville Public Works Commission. Please indicate this information on this Bid Form as follows:

Social Security Number: _____

Federal Employer Identification Number: _____

SUBMITTED ON ____ day of _____ 2023

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The parties recognize that time is of the essence and that Owner will suffer financial and other losses if the Work is not completed within the times specified in the Contract as such may be revised in accordance with the Contract. They also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulty to both parties involved in proving or contesting the amounts of those losses. Accordingly, it is agreed that Contractor shall be liable for and shall pay Owner the following amounts under Owner's Damages, and Engineer's Charges, each as set forth below, all as liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, for each day that expires after the time specified for each Milestone.

The undersigned agrees, further, that the Owner may retain those amounts indicated below from the amount of compensation due the undersigned, under the terms of the Contract, for each and every day that the work remains incomplete beyond an applicable Milestone. This amount is agreed upon as the proper measure of liquidated damages the Owner will sustain, per day, by the failure of the undersigned to complete the work within the stipulated time(s), and it is not to be construed, in any sense, as a penalty.

No Contractor shall have a claim against the Owner as a result of other construction Contractor's lack of progress or project completion.

Facility Work	Owner's Damages	Engineering Charges	Total Liquidated Damages
Contract No. 55	\$1,300/day	\$1,700/day	\$3,000/day

Liquidated damages for late completion of the above listed facilities and overall project shall be additive.

Unless otherwise noted, completion for above listed item(s) shall be defined as completely installed including all associated appurtenances, tested and ready for the intended service.

AN INDIVIDUAL

BY: _____ (SEAL)

(Individual's Name and Signature)

Doing Business as: _____

North Carolina Contractor Registration Number: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ 2023

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

A PARTNERSHIP

BY: _____ (SEAL)

(Firm Name)

(General Partner and Signature)

North Carolina Contractor Registration Number: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ 2023

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

A CORPORATION

BY: _____
(Corporation Name) (State of Incorporation)

BY: _____ (SEAL)
(Name and Title of Person Authorized to Sign and Signature)

ATTEST: _____
(Secretary or Assistant Secretary and Signature)

North Carolina Contractor Registration Number: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ 2023

NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: _____

A JOINT VENTURE

BY: _____
(Name and Signature)

Doing Business as: _____

North Carolina Contractor Registration Number: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ 2023

NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: _____

(Each joint venturer must sign. The name of signing for each individual, partnership, and corporation that is a party to the joint venture should be in the manner indicated above.)

QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS FORM

In order to assist the Owner in determining whether the Bidder is qualified to perform the Work, as set forth in the Contract Documents, the Bidder shall furnish the following information.

1. Attach a list of all projects of similar scope completed within the last fifteen (15) years. Include the following data: project name, owner, engineer and/or construction manager, completion date, percent of work performed by your own forces, original and final contract values.
2. List of references who are qualified to judge as to his financial responsibility and his experience in work of similar nature to that bid upon:
3. List of previous contracting experience, including dollar values of contracts for the past five (5) years:
4. List of facilities or equipment that is available for use:
5. Name, residence, and title of the individual who will give personal attention to the work:
6. Financial Statement:

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash	\$ _____
Notes and Accounts Receivable	_____
Inventories	_____

PLANT ASSETS:

Real Estate	\$ _____
Machinery	_____
Good Will, Patents, etc.	_____ \$ _____

LIABILITIES:

Notes Payable	\$ _____
Accounts Payable	\$ _____
Accrued Wages	_____

LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS

In compliance with the Instructions to Bidders and the Supplementary Conditions, the undersigned submits the following names of Subcontractors to be used in performing the Work.

The Bidder certifies that all Subcontractors listed are eligible to perform the Work and that all Subcontractors performing more than five percent of the work are listed.

<u>Subcontractor's Work</u>	<u>Subcontractor's Name</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Bidder's Signature

BID BOND

This is a Bid Bond that is subject to the provisions of Article 3 of Chapter 44A of the North Carolina General statutes.

This Bond is executed on _____, 20 ____ .

The name of the PRINCIPAL is _____ (1)

_____ (2)

The name of the SURETY is _____

Fayetteville Public Works Commission, Fayetteville, North Carolina is the OWNER

The amount of the Bond is _____

_____ (Dollars) (\$ _____)

KNOW BY ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, the Principal and Surety above named are hereby held and firmly bound unto the above named OWNER hereinafter called the OWNER in the penal sum of the amount stated above in lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the OWNER a certain Bid, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof to enter into a Contract in writing, for the construction of:

PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENNVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55

NOW, THEREFORE

- (a) If said Bid shall be rejected, or in the alternate,
- (b) If said Bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall execute and deliver a Contract in the Form of Contract attached hereto (properly completed in accordance with said Bid) and shall furnish a bond for his faithful performance of said Contract, and for the payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing materials in connection therewith, and shall in all other respects perform the agreement created by the acceptance of said Bid, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise the same shall remain in force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event, exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its Bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Owner may accept such Bid; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extension.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and the Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seals to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, the day and year first set forth above.

ATTEST:

(Principal Secretary)
(SEAL)

Principal

BY: _____ (3)

(Address)

Witness as to Principal

Surety

(Address)

(Address)

ATTEST:

N.C. Resident Agent
(SEAL)

Witness as to Surety

(Address)

- (1) Correct name of Contractor
- (2) A Corporation, a Partnership or an Individual, as the case may be
- (3) If Contractor is a Partnership, all partners should execute Bond

**POWER OF ATTORNEY
(Attach)**

**AFFIDAVIT OF ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORITY SWORN STATEMENT
PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENNVILLE LAKE WATER
TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

_____ being the first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that the Bidder on the attached Bid Form is organized as indicated below and that all statements herein made are made on behalf of such Bidder and that this deponent is authorized to make them.

(Fill Out Applicable Paragraph)

1. CORPORATION

The bidder is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____ and its President is _____, and its Secretary is _____, and does have a corporate seal. The _____ is authorized to sign construction Contract and Bids for the company by action of its Board of Directors taken _____, a certified copy of which is hereto attached. (Strike out last sentence if not applicable.)

2. PARTNERSHIP

The Bidder is a Partnership consisting of _____ and _____, partners doing business under the name of _____.

3. SOLE TRADER

The Bidder is an individual and if operating under a trade name, such trade name is as follows:

4. ADDRESS

The business address of the Bidder is as follows:

Its phone number is _____

Bidder

By: _____

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of this Contract the Contractor agrees as follows:

- a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of the nondiscrimination clause.
- b. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- c. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other Contract understanding, a notice, to be provided, advising the labor union or worker's representative of the Contractor's commitments under the Equal Employment Opportunity Section of this Contract, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- d. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this Contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further OWNER Contracts.
- e. The Contractor will include the provisions of this section in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the OWNER so that such provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.

(Use the following form for signatures by a CORPORATION):

Corporate Name

ATTEST:

(Assistant) Secretary

(Vice) President

(CORPORATE SEAL)

(Use the following form for signatures by and INDIVIDUAL):

BY: _____ (Seal)

WITNESS:

(ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE ABOVE SIGNATURE MUST BE NOTARIZED USING FORM ON FOLLOWING PAGE)

NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE

It is specifically agreed as part of the consideration of the signing of this Contract that the parties hereto, their agents, officials, employees or servants will not discriminate in any manner on the basis of age, handicap, race, color, creed, sexual orientation or national origin with reference to the subject matter of this Contract, no matter how remote.

This provision being incorporated for the benefit of Fayetteville Public Works Commission, Fayetteville, North Carolina and its residents may be enforced as set out in said ordinances, enforcement of this provision shall be by action for specific performance, injunctive relief, or other remedy as by law provided.

This provision shall be binding on the successors and assigns of the parties hereto with reference to the subject matter of this Contract.

(Use the following form for signatures by a CORPORATION):

Corporate Name

ATTEST:

(Assistant) Secretary

BY: _____
(Vice) President

(Printed Name)

BY: _____
(Printed Name)

(Corporate Seal)

(Use the following form for signatures by a PARTNERSHIP or INDIVIDUAL):

BY: _____(SEAL)

(Printed Name)

WITNESS:

(Printed Name)

NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____)
)
County of _____)

_____ being first duly sworn,
deposes and says that:

- (1) He is the _____
(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent)
of _____ the BIDDER that has
submitted the attached BID;
- (2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached BID and of all
pertinent circumstances respecting such BID;
- (3) Such BID is genuine and is not a collusive or sham BID;
- (4) Neither the said BIDDER nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives,
employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, have in any way colluded, conspired,
connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other BIDDER, firm, or person to submit
a collusive or sham BID in connection with the Contract for which the attached BID has
been submitted; or to refrain from bidding in connection with such Contract; or have in any
manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication, or
conference with any BIDDER, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in the attached BID
or of any other BIDDER, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost elements of the BID price
or the BID price of any other BIDDER, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy,
connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against (Recipient), or any person
interested in the proposed Contract;
- (5) The price or prices quoted in the attached BID are fair and proper and are not tainted by
any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the BIDDER
or any other of its agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest,
including this affidavit.

BY _____
ITS _____
(Title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20 ____ .

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

END OF AFFIDAVIT

F.T.A. CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned _____ certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*.)]
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The Contractor, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, *et seq.*, *apply* to this certification and disclosure, if any.

_____ Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Date

**CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANT REGARDING DEBARMENT,
SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

The Primary Participant, _____ (major third party contractor), certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2) of this certification; and
4. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

(If the primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the participant shall attach an explanation to this certification.)

THE PRIMARY PARTICIPANT _____ CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF THE CONTENTS OF THE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ON OR WITH THIS CERTIFICATION AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C. SECTIONS 3801 ET. SEQ. ARE APPLICABLE THERETO.

Signature

Title

Printed Name

Date

SMALL LOCAL SUPPLIER SUBCONTRACTOR DISCLOSURE FORM

Contractor: _____
 Address & Phone: _____
 Project: _____
 Name: _____
 Pay Application # _____

Please complete the below form by providing the necessary information for the estimated payment to be made to each subcontractor, vendor, or supplier for the work associated with the identified pay application. This form must be fully completed and attached to each pay application.

Firm Name, Address, and Contact Information	Estimated Payment Amount	Type of Work/Commodity (Include NAICS Code)

Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

SECTION B - CONTRACT EXECUTION DOCUMENTS

State of North Carolina
Cumberland County

CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

THIS CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT (“Agreement” or “Contract”) is made by and between the Fayetteville Public Works Commission (“PWC”), a North Carolina public authority, and [REDACTED] (“Contractor”), a [REDACTED] registered to do business in North Carolina (each of each of PWC and Contractor is a “Party” and both are collectively the “Parties”) as of the date of execution last written below (the “Effective Date”). The Parties agree as follows:

1. The Construction Project. Contractor shall furnish and bear solely the entire cost of all labor and materials necessary for the construction and/or renovation of the Project (defined hereinbelow) as specified in the Contract Documents (defined hereinbelow) and complete all Work on the Project in a Workmanlike manner in strict accordance with the Contract Documents, schedule delivery of the new materials, furnish and bear solely the entire cost of all supervision, contract administration, equipment, tools, and other means necessary to complete the Project, perform every obligation imposed by the Contract Documents, and be solely responsible for the clean-up and disposal of all materials and debris relating to or arising from the construction and renovation, subject to any exceptions that are specifically set forth in the Contract Documents. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Contract Documents, Contractor is solely responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures, safety precautions or programs, supervising, coordinating, and performing all the Work necessary to complete the Project; provided, however, PWC shall have the right, without incurring any liability to the Contractor, to suspend Contractor’s performance when a PWC employee, in his or her opinion, observes a safety violation involving a threat to life or imminent danger of bodily injury, and the suspension shall remain in effect until Contractor remedies the safety violation.

2. Terms. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meaning specified below:

“Business Day” means each calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, holiday observed by the federal government for its employees, or holiday observed by the State of North Carolina for its employees.

“Completion of the Project” means: (i) the Project is completed in accordance with this Agreement, except for punch list items; (ii) PWC has received any required temporary or final certificate of occupancy from the governmental agency with jurisdiction over the Project; and (iii) the registered architects or engineers (the “Designer(s)”) who designed portions or components of the Project have issued certificates of Completion of the Project as to those portions or components.

“Contract Documents” means the following documents that were either made available to Contractor by PWC during the bid solicitation process (including Drawings) or executed by the Parties or both, which are all incorporated by reference herein:

- a. This Agreement
- b. Bid Documents

- c. Contractor's Submitted Bid
- d. Bid Bond
- e. Form of Exceptions
- f. Notice of Award
- g. Acceptance of Award
- h. Performance Bond
- i. Payment Bond
- j. Copy of General Contractor's License
- k. Certificate of Insurance
- l. Technical Specifications
- m. Additional Specifications

The following documents may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and may not be attached to this Agreement, but are considered Contract Documents when executed by the Parties:

- n. Notice to Proceed and Acceptance of Notice
- o. Work Change Directive(s)
- p. Change Order(s)
- q. Field Order(s)

There are no Contract Documents other than those identified in this Agreement. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in this Agreement in a writing signed by the Parties.

"Fault" means a breach of contract by Contractor, negligent, reckless, or intentional act(s) or omission(s) constituting a tort under applicable statutes or common law by one or more Responsible Persons, or violation(s) of applicable statute(s) or regulation(s) by a Responsible Person.

"Project" means _____, as more specifically set forth in the Contract Documents.

"Responsible Person" means the Contractor and each of its employees, agents, representatives, subcontractors, or other persons and entities for which Contractor may be liable or responsible as a result of any statutory, tort, or contractual duty.

The terms used in this Agreement shall have the meaning as stated herein and in the General Conditions. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any other component(s) of the Contract Documents, the terms of this Agreement shall govern.

3. Contract Price. PWC shall pay Contractor for Completion of the Project in accordance with the Contract Documents the amount identified in the accepted Bid Form of Contractor, being in the total amount of \$ _____ (the "Price"). Contractor understands and acknowledges that the Price is derived from a specific appropriation of funds provided for the Project. Contractor agrees and acknowledges the Price is equal to the aggregate cost of all Work to be done on the Project, including all labor, materials, equipment, apparatus, and supplies, set in accordance with the amount specified on the Bid Form submitted by Contractor and accepted by PWC.

4. Contract Times. The Parties shall perform their obligations under this Agreement in compliance with all scheduling deadlines set forth in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall commence the Work to be performed under this Agreement on a date to be specified in accordance with the Notice to Proceed issued by PWC. Contractor shall achieve Completion of the Project no later than 360 consecutive calendar days from said date plus any modifications thereof allowed in accordance with the Contract Documents (the "Completion Date").

5. Payment. PWC shall pay Contractor in installment payments plus a final payment, as set forth in the Contract Documents. For each applicable installment payment, Contractor shall submit an application for payment in accordance with the Contract Documents. An application for payment will be processed by PWC as provided in the Contract Documents. Such installment payments shall reflect the actual cost of the Work, not to exceed in total the Price, and the allocable portion of the total Price for said installment. PWC shall make payment to the Contractor, less any applicable retainage set forth in the Contract Documents; provided, however, that PWC may withhold all or a portion of a payment on account of (1) incomplete Work, (2) defective or nonconforming Work, (3) claims filed or a reasonable basis to believe that such claims will be filed imminently, (4) failure of the Contractor to make payments properly for labor, services, materials, equipment or subcontracts, (5) damages caused to PWC or another party by one or more Responsible Persons, or (6) failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. In the final payment, PWC shall pay the balance of the Price, including all retained amounts, less any Liquidated Damages and other applicable damage and claim amounts, to Contractor within forty-five (45) days of Completion of the Project; provided, however, that PWC may withhold a reasonable sum from the final payment to ensure correction of any final items or condition on the Project.

6. Retainage. Subject to any restrictions applicable to any federal grant funds that may be utilized for the Project, PWC may, in its discretion, retain up to five percent (5%) of any periodic payment due Contractor; provided, however, when the Project is fifty percent (50%) complete, PWC, with written consent of the surety, shall not retain any further retainage from periodic payments due Contractor if Contractor continues to perform satisfactorily and any nonconforming Work identified in writing prior to that time by PWC or the Designer has been corrected by Contractor and accepted by PWC or the Designer, and provided further that full payment, less authorized deductions, shall also be made for those line item trades that have reached one hundred percent (100%) completion of their contract obligations by or before the Project is fifty percent (50%) complete if Contractor has performed satisfactorily in accordance with G.S. 143-134.1(b2), contingent upon PWC's receipt of an approval or certification from the Designer that the Work performed by the subcontractor is acceptable and in accordance with the Contract Documents. If PWC determines Contractor's performance is unsatisfactory, PWC may, in its discretion, reinstate retainage for each subsequent periodic application for payment as authorized in this Section up to the maximum amount of five percent (5%). The Project shall be deemed fifty percent (50%) complete when Contractor's gross project invoices, excluding the value of materials stored off-site, equal or exceed fifty percent (50%) of the Price, except the value of materials stored on-site shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of Contractor's gross project invoices for the purpose of determining whether the Project is fifty percent (50%) complete. Within 60 days after the submission of a pay request and one of the following occurs, as specified in the Contract Documents, PWC, with written consent of the surety, shall release to Contractor all retainage on payments held by PWC: (i) PWC receives a certificate of substantial completion from the Designer in charge of the Project; or (ii) PWC receives beneficial occupancy or use of the Project; provided, however, PWC may in its discretion retain sufficient funds to secure Completion of the Project or corrections on any Work. If PWC retains

funds, the amount retained shall not exceed two and one-half times the estimated value of the Work to be completed or corrected. Any reduction in the amount of the retainage on payments shall be with the consent of Contractor's surety. The existence of any third-party claims against Contractor or any additive change orders to the Construction Documents shall not be a basis for delaying the release of any retainage on payments. Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, following fifty percent (50%) completion of the Project, PWC shall be authorized to withhold additional retainage from a subsequent periodic payment, not to exceed five percent (5%), in order to allow PWC to retain two and one-half percent (2.5%) total retainage through the Completion of the Project. In the event that PWC elects to withhold additional retainage on any periodic payment subsequent to release of retainage on a line-item of Work pursuant to G.S. 143-134.1(b2), Contractor may also withhold from the subcontractors remaining on the project sufficient retainage to offset the additional retainage held by PWC, notwithstanding the actual percentage of retainage withheld by PWC of the Project as a whole. Neither PWC's nor Contractor's release of retainage on payments as part of a payment in full on a line-item of Work pursuant to G.S. 143-134.1(b2) shall affect any applicable warranties on Work done by Contractor or subcontractor, and the warranties shall not begin to run any earlier than either PWC's receipt of a certificate of substantial completion from the Designer in charge of the Project or PWC receives beneficial occupancy.

7. Liquidated Damages. Time is of the essence with respect to performance of each of the Parties' obligations under this Agreement. Contractor recognizes and acknowledges that PWC will suffer financial and other losses if the Project is not completed by the Completion Date. The Parties recognize and agree that the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving in a legal or arbitration proceeding the actual loss suffered by PWC if the Project is not completed by the Completion Date. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, Contractor and PWC agree that in the event Contractor fails to achieve Completion of the Project by the Completion Date, Contractor shall pay to PWC as liquidated damages to compensate PWC for damages related to the delayed Completion of the Project one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) per day ("Liquidated Damages") for each calendar day Contractor fails to achieve completion of the Work by the Completion Date.

8. Contractor's Representations and Warranties. In order to induce PWC to enter into this Agreement, Contractor makes the following representations and warranties to PWC:

a. Contractor is duly licensed in the State of North Carolina to complete all Work necessary for the Project, is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing and has all requisite powers, rights, and authority to execute, enter into, and perform this Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation of Contractor enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.

b. Contractor has read the Contract Documents, and acknowledges and understands all data, materials, specifications, and requirements identified in the Contract Documents.

c. Contractor has visited the site for the Project, conducted a thorough, visual examination of the site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance in completing the Project. Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all laws and regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance to complete the Project.

d. Contractor has carefully studied all: (1) reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the site and all drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the site that have been identified in the Contract Documents and any accompanying reports and drawings, and (2) reports and drawings relating to hazardous environmental conditions, if any, at or adjacent to the site that have been identified in the Contract Documents and any accompanying reports and drawings.

e. Contractor has considered the information known to Contractor itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Contract Documents; and the Site-related reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, if any, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on (1) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (2) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor; and (3) Contractor's safety precautions and programs.

f. Based on the information and observations referred to in subsection e. of this Section, Contractor agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Price commencing on the commencement date and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract.

g. Contractor is aware of the general nature of Work to be performed by PWC and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.

h. Contractor has given PWC's Designer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by the Designer is acceptable to Contractor.

i. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.

j. Contractor's entry into this Agreement constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Contractor that, without exception, all prices in the Agreement are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Contract Documents.

k. Contractor has no business or personal relationship with any PWC Commissioner, officer, director, manager, or supervisor and Contractor covenants to disclose immediately to PWC any such relationship that develops during the performance of Work on the Project.

9. Contractor's Payment Obligations. Contractor shall pay all of its obligations arising out of or in connection with the Project in a timely manner to all persons supplying materials in the prosecution of the Work and to all laborers and others employed thereon.

10. Performance and Payment Bonds. Contractor shall obtain and deliver to PWC a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Project and all Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, which bond shall be solely for the protection of PWC. Contractor shall obtain and deliver to PWC a payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Price, conditioned upon the prompt payment for all labor or materials for which the Contractor or one or more of its subcontractors is liable, which payment bond shall be solely for the protection of the persons furnishing materials or performing labor for which the Contractor is liable. The performance bond and the payment bond shall be executed by one or more surety companies legally authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina, shall become effective upon the awarding of the construction contract by PWC to Contractor, and shall at all times comply with the requirements set forth in Article 3 of North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 44A. In the event PWC deems the surety or sureties upon any bond necessary for this Agreement and the completion of the Project, or if for any reason, such bond ceases to be adequate to cover the performance and/or payment of the Work, Contractor shall, at its expense, within five (5) days after the receipt of notice from PWC, furnish an additional bond or bonds in such form and amount, and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to PWC. In such event no further payment to Contractor shall be deemed to be due under this Agreement until new or additional security for the performance and payment of the Project shall be furnished in manner and form satisfactory to PWC. Contractor understands and acknowledges that PWC, as a public authority, is not subject to the provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of Chapter 44A of the General Statutes, in accordance with G.S. 44A-34 and applicable law.

11. Contractor's Damage Repair Obligations. Contractor shall be responsible for all damages to the property of the City of Fayetteville and of PWC that may result from the normal procedure of a Responsible Person's actions in the prosecution of the Work or that may be caused by or result from the negligence of a Responsible Person during the progress of or connected with the prosecution of the Work, whether within the limits of the Work or elsewhere. Contractor shall promptly restore all such property so damaged to a condition as good as it was immediately prior to Contractor initiating the Work on the Project.

12. Defective Work. The Project shall be subject to observation and approval by PWC, Designer, and representatives of governmental agencies with jurisdiction over the Project. PWC and Designer shall be entitled to enter at all reasonable times the premises subject to construction or renovation to inspect the Work performed by or on behalf of Contractor, provided that such entry and inspection does not materially interfere with the progress of construction. Contractor shall correct promptly, at no cost to PWC, all Work reasonably rejected by PWC or by its representatives. Should Contractor fail to correct rejected Work, PWC may, acting in its sole discretion, correct such Work and the Contractor shall pay PWC's actual costs of correction and any other applicable amounts identified in the Contract Documents.

13. As-Built Drawings. Contractor shall maintain during the progress of the Project as-built drawings indicating the current status of the Project as actually performed. Upon Completion of the Project, Contractor shall prepare a final version of such as-built drawings and submit them to PWC for approval.

14. Assignment. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties, their legal representatives, successors, and assigns. Contractor may not assign, transfer, convey, or encumber, whether voluntarily or by operation of law, this Agreement or any obligations, rights under, or interests in this Agreement to a third party without the prior

written consent of PWC; and, specifically, but without limitation, money that may become due and money that is due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.

15. Indemnity. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless PWC and its Commissioners, officers, employees, agents, and representatives and the City of Fayetteville and its elected officials, managers, employees, agents, and representatives and Design Engineer (collectively "Indemnitees") from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, costs, and expenses (including, without limitation, injury to or death of any persons and damage to property, economic and consequential damages and attorneys' fees) asserted by one or more third parties against one or more of the Indemnitees if the Fault of one or more Responsible Persons is a proximate cause of the loss, damage, or expense indemnified. Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Indemnitees shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

16. Insurance. Contractor shall maintain during the completion of the Project and for at least three (3) years thereafter the insurance coverage set forth in the Contract Documents, which insurance shall be placed with insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina and rated A minus VII or better by the current edition of Best's Key Rating Guide or otherwise approved in writing by PWC. Prior to initiating any Work on the Project, Contractor shall deliver certificates of insurance confirming each such coverage required by the Contract Documents, and Contractor shall direct its insurers to provide annually to PWC certificates confirming each such coverage during the coverage period. PWC shall be named as an additional insured in the comprehensive automobile and commercial liability insurance policies. Commercial general liability coverage shall be written on an "occurrence" basis. Contractor shall not reduce or allow the required insurance coverages to lapse without PWC's prior written approval. All policies for insurance must be endorsed to contain a provision giving PWC a thirty (30) calendar day prior written notice by certified mail of any cancellation of that policy or material reduction in coverage. Should a notice of cancellation be issued for non-payment of premiums or any part thereof, or should Contractor fail to provide and maintain certificates as set forth herein, PWC shall have the right, but shall not have the obligation, to pay such premium to the insurance company or to obtain such coverage and to deduct such payment from any sums that may be due or become due to Contractor, or to seek reimbursement for said payments from Contractor. Any such sums paid by PWC shall be due and payable immediately by Contractor upon notice from PWC. The insurance provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a limitation on Contractor's responsibilities and liabilities pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Contractor's obligation to maintain insurance for three (3) years after Completion of the Project shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

17. Warranty. The Contractor hereby grants to PWC a warranty on all materials and Workmanship involved in the Project for a period of one (1) year from the Completion Date and a period of two (2) years from the Completion Date for any latent structural defects. PWC shall give written notice to Contractor of any claim under this Section within the time specified hereinabove. This warranty shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, all other rights and privileges which PWC may have under law, equity, or instrument, and shall survive the Completion Date and the final settlement and shall be binding on Contractor notwithstanding any provision in any other writing executed by PWC heretofore or contemporaneous with the execution of the Agreement or prior to the Completion Date.

18. Waiver. No failure on the part of any party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power, or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right hereunder preclude any other or further cumulative and not exclusive of any remedies provided by law. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their legal representatives, successors, and assigns. This Agreement may not be assigned, transferred, conveyed, or encumbered, whether voluntarily or by operation of law, by either party without the prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

19. Law. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND INTERPRETED AND ENFORCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CHOICE OF LAW PROVISIONS THEREOF. The Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable Federal, state, and local laws and building codes in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement.

20. Dispute Resolution. In the event of any dispute, controversy, or claim of any kind or nature arising under or in connection with this Agreement (a "Dispute") and involving any two or more of the following parties, PWC, Designer, Contractor or any subcontractor of Contractor, the party initiating the Dispute shall serve written notice of a Dispute on the party(ies) to the dispute, and those parties shall endeavor to settle the dispute first through direct, informal discussions between the parties' selected representatives. Any such representative(s) shall have binding authority to settle the Dispute. In the event the parties do not settle the Dispute within ten (10) days from the date of written notice of the Dispute, any party to the Dispute may, by written notice to the other party(ies), engage a mediator certified under the laws of the State of North Carolina to mediate the Dispute within thirty (30) days of such notice. The parties to the Dispute shall attend mediation in good faith. In the event mediation is unsuccessful, any party to the dispute may initiate arbitration proceedings. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to the Contract Documents, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by binding arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Construction Industry Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. All of the foregoing dispute resolution procedures shall be held in Cumberland County, North Carolina. The costs of the mediator and arbitrator in a dispute resolution process shall be divided equally among the parties to the process; provided, however, PWC shall bear at least one-third of the cost if PWC is a party to the dispute resolution and the remainder of the cost shall be divided equally among the other parties participating in the dispute resolution. PWC shall, in its contractual arrangements with Designer, and Contractor shall, in its contracts with subcontractors and they in their contracts with lower-tier subcontractors authorize and direct such parties to participate in the dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Section. Unless otherwise directed in writing by PWC, Contractor shall continue the Project and maintain compliance with the scheduling deadlines set forth in the Contract Documents during any dispute resolution proceedings. If Contractor continues to perform, PWC shall make payments due for the continued performance in accordance with this Agreement. The provisions of this Section shall not extend any applicable statutes of limitation or repose.

21. Execution; Modification; Entire Agreement; Severability. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures to each counterpart were upon a single instrument, and all such counterparts together shall be deemed an original of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, a facsimile copy or scanned copy or photocopy of a party's signature shall be sufficient to bind such party. This Agreement shall be subject to

execution by electronic means in accordance with Article 40 of Chapter 66 of the North Carolina General Statutes. No oral communication, promise, understanding, or agreement before, contemporaneous with, or after the execution of this Agreement shall affect or modify any of the terms and conditions and obligations of the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents shall be modified only by a subsequent writing signed by both Parties. The Contract Documents shall be conclusively considered to contain and express all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the Parties, notwithstanding any prior or contemporaneous written communication, promise, understanding or agreement. Should any provision of this Agreement or any of the Contract Documents at any time be in conflict with any law, statute, rule, regulation, order, or ruling and thus be unenforceable, or be unenforceable for any other reason, then the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and the court or arbitrator shall give the offending provision the fullest meaning and effect permitted by law. The titles of the Sections throughout this Agreement are for convenience only and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction, or meaning of the provisions of this instrument.

22. Notices. Any notice which either Party is required or desires to give the other hereunder shall be deemed sufficiently given if, in writing, it is delivered personally, or sent by certified U.S. mail, return-receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the addresses listed herein below, or such other address as either Party shall give to the other Party by written notice in accordance herewith. Any notice given herein by personal delivery shall be deemed delivered when received. Any properly addressed notice given herein by certified mail shall be deemed delivered on third Business Day after the same is deposited in an official United States Post Office, postage prepaid, or if sooner upon the date when the return receipt therefore is signed, or refusal to accept the mailing by the addressee is noted thereon by the postal authorities.

To PWC:
Fayetteville Public Works Commission
Attn: Marion J. Noland, Interim CEO/General Manager PO Box 1089
Fayetteville, NC 28302

To Contractor:

23. Termination. PWC may terminate this Agreement immediately if during the progress of the Work or during the warranty period, the Contractor:

- a. Persistently fails to prosecute the Work properly and in accordance with this contract, including but not limited to include failure to provide sufficient crews, equipment, or resources, or failure to adhere to the schedule;
- b. Demonstrates disregard for the policies, procedures, or requirements of PWC;
- c. Demonstrates complete disregard of the authority of PWC or its designated representatives; or
- d. Violates in any substantial way the provisions and requirements of this Agreement.

Such termination shall be effective upon written notice to Contractor and its surety. PWC may terminate the contract for its convenience by providing Contractor at least seven (7) calendar days prior written notice, in which event Contractor shall be paid for all Work completed, plus other expenses as mutually agreed upon between PWC and Contractor.

24. Compliance. Contractor hereby acknowledges that "E-Verify" is the federal E-Verify program operated by the US Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies which is used to verify the Work authorization of newly hired employees pursuant to federal law and in accordance with Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes. Contractor further acknowledges that all employers, as defined by Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes, must use E-Verify and after hiring an employee to Work in the United States, shall verify the Work authorization of the employee through E-Verify in accordance with N.C.G.S. §64-26(a). Contractor hereby pledges, attests, and warrants through execution of this Agreement that Contractor complies with the requirements of Article 2, Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes and further pledges, attests, and warrants that all subcontractors currently employed by or subsequently hired by Contractor shall comply with all E-Verify requirements. Failure to comply with the above requirements shall be considered a breach of this Agreement. Contractor hereby further acknowledges that the execution and delivery of this Agreement constitutes Contractor's certification to PWC and to the North Carolina State Treasurer that, as of the date of the Effective Date of this Agreement, Contractor is not listed on (a) the Final Divestment List created and maintained by the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer pursuant to the Iran Divestment Act of 2015, Chapter 147, Article 6E of the General Statutes of North Carolina (the "Iran Divestment Act"); or (b) the list of companies that the North Carolina State Treasurer determines to be engaged in a boycott of Israel in accordance with Article 6G of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. Contractor represents and warrants to Commission that Contractor, and all persons and entities owning (directly or indirectly) an ownership interest in it: (i) are not, and will not become, a person or entity with whom a party is restricted from doing business with under regulations of the Office of Foreign Asset Control ("OFAC") of the Department of the Treasury (including, but not limited to, those named on OFAC's Specially Designated and Blocked Persons list) or under any statute, executive order (including, but not limited to, the September 24, 2001, Executive Order 13224 Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism), or other governmental action; and (ii) are not knowingly engaged in, and will not knowingly engage in, any dealings or transactions or be otherwise associated with such persons or entities described in clause (i) above. Contractor also shall at all times during the term of this Agreement comply with Executive Order 11246, including but not limited to the Equal Opportunity Clause requirements set forth in 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.4. Contractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR 60-300.5(a) and 60-741.5(a) prohibiting discrimination against qualified individuals on the basis of protected veteran status or disability and requiring affirmative action by covered prime contractors and subcontractors to employ and advance in employment qualified protected veterans and individuals with disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives.

Fayetteville Public Works Commission

CONTRACTOR

By: _____
Marion J. Noland, Interim CEO/GM

By: _____

(Printed Name, Title)

Date: _____

Date: _____

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 159-1 et seq.).

By: _____
Rhonda Haskins, Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to form:

Legal Dept.

SAMPLE



GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR
**PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND
GLENNVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY
RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**
FOR THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS
COMMISSION

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Article I. Definitions and Terminology

Section 1.01 Definitions

Capitalized terms used in the Bid Documents or Contract Documents, including the singular and plural forms, shall have the meaning indicated in the definitions below. In addition to terms specifically defined below, terms with initial capital letters in the Contract Documents include references to identified articles and paragraphs, and the titles of other documents or forms.

- (a) **Addenda**—Written or graphic instruments issued before the opening of Bids which clarify, correct, or change the Bid Documents or other Contract Documents.
- (b) **Agreement**—The written instrument, executed by PWC and Contractor, that sets forth the Contract Price and Contract Times, identifies the parties, designates the specific documents that encompass the Contract Documents, and provides other material provisions that govern the relationship between the parties as it relates to the Project. The Agreement is also referred to, and titled as, the “Construction Agreement.”
- (c) **Application for Payment**—The form that Contractor shall use during the Work in requesting progress or final payments. Any Application for Payment shall be accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.
- (d) **Bid**—The offer of a Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.
- (e) **Bidder**—An individual or entity that submits a Bid to PWC for the Project.
- (f) **Bid Documents**—The Bidding Requirements, the proposed Contract Documents, and all Addenda.
- (g) **Bidding Requirements**—The Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Bond or other Bid security, if any, the Bid Form, and the Bidder’s original Bid with any requisite attachments.
- (h) **Business Day**—each calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday observed by PWC (New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veteran’s Day, Thanksgiving Day (and the day after), and Christmas (2 days) for its employees.
- (i) **Change Order**—A document that is signed by Contractor and PWC, which authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work, an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, a change in the scope of the Project, or other revision to the Agreement, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement.
- (j) **Change Proposal**—A written request by Contractor, submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth in the Contract Documents, seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by PWC concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Agreement.

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- (k) Completion of the Project—Has the meaning as set forth in the Construction Agreement.
- (l) Constituent of Concern—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive materials, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to (a) the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. §§9601 et seq. (“CERCLA”); (b) the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. §§5101 et seq.; (c) the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. §§6901 et seq. (“RCRA”); (d) the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §§2601 et seq.; (e) the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq.; (f) the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.; or (g) any other federal, state, or local statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, resolution, code, order, or decree regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.
- (m) Contract Price—The money that PWC has agreed to pay Contractor for Completion of the Project in accordance with the Contract Documents. May also be referred to as “Price” throughout the Contract Documents.
- (n) Contract Times—The number of days or the dates by which Contractor shall: (a) achieve Milestones, if any; and (b) Completion of the Project.
- (o) Contractor—The individual or entity with which PWC has contracted for performance of the Work and Completion of the Project.
- (p) Day—a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight. Also referred to throughout the Contract Documents as “days” or “calendar days.”
- (q) Design Engineer—The Engineering firm identified on the Contract Drawings and their duly authorized employees and agents, such employees and agents acting within the scope of the particular duties entrusted to them in each case.
- (r) Drawings—The part of the Contract that graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor.
- (s) Field Order—A written order issued by Project Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times.
- (t) Final Completion—The day the on which any specified Work is complete in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- (u) Laws and Regulations; Laws or Regulations—Any and all applicable laws, statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and orders of any and all governmental bodies, agencies, authorities, and courts having jurisdiction. Such terms, unless otherwise specified, shall refer to North Carolina laws and regulations.
- (v) Milestone—A principal event in the performance of the Work that the Agreement requires Contractor to achieve by an intermediate completion date or by a time prior to Completion of the Project.
- (w) Non-Compliance Notice—A written notice issued by PWC to Contractor indicating a

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violation of any term, provision, or requirement of the Contract Documents.

- (x) Notice of Award—The written notice by PWC to a Bidder providing of PWC’s acceptance of the Bid upon timely compliance by the Bidder with any conditions precedent provided in the notice.
- (y) Notice to Proceed—A written notice by PWC to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Times will commence to run and on which Contractor shall start to perform the Work.
- (z) Progress Schedule—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, describing the sequence and duration of the activities comprising the Contractor’s plan to accomplish the Work within the Contract Times.
- (aa) Project—has the meaning ascribed to it in the Agreement and is as more specifically set forth throughout the Contract Documents. “Project” includes the total undertaking to be accomplished for PWC by engineers, contractors, and others, including planning, study, design, construction, testing, commissioning, and start-up, and of which the Work to be performed under the Contract Documents is a part.
- (bb) Project Engineer—the PWC employee assigned by PWC to coordinate, manage, monitor, and otherwise perform the administration necessary and consistent with PWC’s responsibilities for the Completion of the Project. The Project Engineer has authority to coordinate and work with the Design Engineer regarding any engineering questions, concerns, revisions, alterations, deletions, or additions to the Work, and has authority to approve any changes in the scope of the Work. Project Engineer may assign a “Project Coordinator” who will also be an employee of PWC and have the duties and responsibilities set by the Project Engineer.
- (cc) PWC—Fayetteville Public Works Commission. PWC may also be referred to in the Contract Documents as “Owner.”
- (dd) Samples—Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are representative of some portion of the Work and that establish the standards by which such portion of the Work will be judged.
- (ee) Schedule of Submittals—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, of required submittals and the time requirements for Project Engineer’s review of the submittals and the performance of related construction activities.
- (ff) Schedule of Values—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, allocating portions of the Contract Price to various portions of the Work and used as the basis for reviewing Contractor’s Applications for Payment.
- (gg) Shop Drawings—All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or information that are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Contractor and submitted by Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work. Shop Drawings, whether approved or not, are not Contract Drawings and are not Contract Documents.
- (hh) Site—Lands or areas indicated in the Contract Documents as being furnished by PWC upon which the Work is to be performed, including rights-of-way and easements, and such other lands furnished by PWC which are designated for the use of Contractor.

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- (ii) Specifications—The part of the Contract that consists of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards, and workmanship as applied to the Work, and certain administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable to the Work.
- (jj) Subcontractor—An individual or entity having a direct contract with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work.
- (kk) Substantial Completion—The time at which the Work (or a specified part thereof) has progressed to the point where, in the opinion of Project Engineer, the Work (or a specified part thereof) is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that the Work (or a specified part thereof) can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended. The terms “substantially complete” and “substantially completed” as applied to all or part of the Work refer to Substantial Completion thereof.
- (ll) Successful Bidder—The Bidder whose Bid PWC accepts, and to which PWC provides a Notice of Award.
- (mm) Supplementary Conditions—Any part of the Agreement that amends or supplements these General Conditions.
- (nn) Supplier—A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, materialman, or vendor having a direct contract with Contractor or with any Subcontractor to furnish materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work by Contractor or a Subcontractor.
- (oo) Technical Data—Those items expressly identified as Technical Data in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to either (a) subsurface conditions at the Site, or physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site (except Underground Facilities) or (b) Hazardous Environmental Conditions at the Site. If no such express identifications of Technical Data have been made with respect to conditions at the Site, then the data contained in boring logs, recorded measurements of subsurface water levels, laboratory test results, and other factual, objective information regarding conditions at the Site that are set forth in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor are hereby defined as Technical Data with respect to conditions at the Site under Paragraphs 5.03, 5.04, and 5.06.
- (pp) Underground Facilities—All underground pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or attachments, and any encasements containing such facilities, including but not limited to those that convey electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, fiber optic transmissions, cable television, water, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems.
- (qq) Unit Price Work—Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.
- (rr) Work—The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Contract Documents. Work includes and is the result of performing or providing all labor, services, materials, equipment, and documentation necessary to produce such construction; furnishing, installing, and incorporating all materials and equipment into such construction; and may include related services such as testing, start-up, and commissioning, all as required by the Contract Documents and necessary to achieve Completion of the Project.

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- (ss) Work Change Directive—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract, signed by PWC and recommended by the Project Engineer, ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work.

Section 1.02 Terminology

The words and terms discussed in the following paragraphs are not defined but, when used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents, have the indicated meaning.

(a) Intent of Certain Terms or Adjectives:

- (i) The Contract Documents include the terms “as allowed,” “as approved,” “as ordered,” “as directed” or terms of like effect or import to authorize an exercise of professional judgment by Project Engineer. In addition, the adjectives “reasonable,” “suitable,” “acceptable,” “proper,” “satisfactory,” or adjectives of like effect or import are used to describe an action or determination of Project Engineer as to the Work. It is intended that such exercise of professional judgment, action, or determination will be solely to evaluate, in general, the Work for compliance with the information in the Contract Documents and with the design concept of the Project as a functioning whole as shown or indicated in the Contract Documents (unless there is a specific statement indicating otherwise). The use of any such term or adjective is not intended to and shall not be effective to assign to Project Engineer any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work, or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility contrary to the provisions the Contract Documents.

(b) Defective—when modifying the word “Work,” refers to Work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or deficient in that it:

- (i) does not conform to the Contract Documents; or
- (ii) does not meet the requirements of any applicable inspection, reference standard, test, or approval referred to in the Contract Documents; or
- (iii) has been damaged prior to Project Engineer’s recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by PWC at Substantial Completion in accordance with the Contract Documents).

(c) Furnish, Install, Perform, Provide

- (i) The word “furnish,” when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to supply and deliver said services, materials, or equipment to the Site (or some other specified location) ready for use or installation and in usable or operable condition.
- (ii) The word “install,” when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to put into use or place in final position said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- (iii) The words “perform” or “provide,” when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- (iv) If the Contract Documents establish an obligation of Contractor with respect to specific services, materials, or equipment, but do not expressly use any of the four words “furnish,” “install,” “perform,” or “provide,” then Contractor shall furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.

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Unless stated otherwise in the Contract Documents, words or phrases that have a well-known technical or construction industry or trade meaning are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meaning.

Article II. Preliminary Matters

Section 2.01 Delivery of Bonds and Evidence of Insurance

- (a) Bonds: Contractor shall deliver to PWC such bonds as Contractor is required to furnish simultaneously with delivering the executed Agreement to PWC.
- (b) Contractor's Insurance: Contractor shall deliver to PWC the certificates and other evidence of the insurance required by the Contract Documents simultaneously with delivering the executed Agreement to PWC.

Section 2.02 Copies of Documents

- (a) PWC will furnish to Contractor up to five (5) printed copies of the Contract Documents upon request by Contractor, and one (1) copy in electronic portable document format (PDF). Additional printed copies will be furnished upon request at the cost of reproduction.
- (b) PWC will maintain and safeguard at least one original printed record version of the Agreement, including Drawings and Specifications signed and sealed by Design Engineer or other design professionals as applicable. PWC agrees to make such original printed record version of the Agreement reasonably available to Contractor for review during PWC's normal business hours. PWC may delegate the responsibilities under this provision to Design Engineer.

Section 2.03 Before Starting any Work

- (a) Within ten (10) Days after the Contractor receives the Notice of Award from PWC (or as otherwise specifically required by the Contract Documents), Contractor shall submit to PWC for timely review:
 - (i) a preliminary Progress Schedule indicating the times (numbers of days or dates) for starting and completing the identifiable aspects of the Work, including any Milestones specified in the Contract Documents;
 - (ii) a preliminary Schedule of Submittals; and
 - (iii) Any Shop Drawings, Samples, and other submittals required by the Contract Documents before the Preconstruction Conference.

Section 2.04 Preconstruction Conference; Designation of Authorized Representatives

- (a) Before any Work at the Site is started, a preconstruction conference attended by PWC, Project Engineer, Contractor, Design Engineer, and others as appropriate will be held to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work and to discuss general Project issues including, but not limited, the following:
 - (i) The schedules and submittals referred to in Section 2.03;
 - (ii) Contractor's designated authorized representative as described in Section 2.04(b);
 - (iii) Safety;
 - (iv) Procedures for handling Shop Drawings, Samples, and other submittals;

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- (v) Processing Applications for Payment, electronic or digital transmittals;
- (b) At the preconstruction conference Contractor shall designate, in writing, a specific individual to act as its authorized representative with respect to its services and responsibilities under the Contract Documents. Such individual shall have the authority to transmit and receive information, render decisions relative to the requirements of the Contract Documents, and otherwise act on behalf of the Contractor.

Section 2.05 Initial Acceptance of Schedules

- (a) At least twenty (20) Days before submission of the first Application for Payment a conference, attended by Contractor, PWC, and others as appropriate, will be held to review for acceptability to Project Engineer as provided below the schedules submitted in accordance with Paragraph 2.03(a). PWC shall have ten (10) Days to review the submission and provide feedback to Contractor. Contractor shall then have ten (10) days to make any corrections and adjustments as indicated by PWC and to complete and resubmit the schedules as necessary. No progress payment shall be made to Contractor until acceptable schedules are submitted to and approved by Project Engineer.
- (b) The Progress Schedule will be acceptable to Project Engineer if it provides an orderly progression of the Work to achieve Completion of the Project within the Contract Times. Such acceptance will not impose on Project Engineer responsibility for the Progress Schedule, for sequencing, scheduling, or progress of the Work, nor interfere with or relieve Contractor from Contractor's full responsibility therefor.
- (c) Contractor's Schedule of Submittals will be acceptable to Project Engineer if it provides a workable arrangement for reviewing and processing the required submittals.

Section 2.06 Electronic Transmittals

- (a) Except as otherwise stated elsewhere in the Contract Documents, PWC and Contractor and their authorized agents may transmit, and shall accept, Project-related correspondence, text, data, documents, drawings, information, and graphics, including but not limited to Shop Drawings and other submittals, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through electronic mail at the address(es) designated by each Party.
- (b) When transmitting items in electronic media or digital format, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the items resulting from the recipient's use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used in the drafting or transmittal of the items, or from those established in applicable transmittal protocols.

Article III. Contract Documents: Intent, Requirements, Reuse

Section 3.01 Intent

- (a) The Contract Documents are complementary; what is required by one is as binding as if required by all.
- (b) It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

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- (c) Project Engineer, Design Engineer, or both, will issue clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents as provided herein.
- (d) To the extent necessary that Work, construction, or conditions not covered by these General Conditions is required for Contractor to achieve Completion of the Project, "Special Conditions" for such Work will be provided to Contractor and shall be part of the Contract Documents.
- (e) In case of any inconsistency, conflict, or ambiguity among the Contract Documents, the documents shall govern in the following order: (1) Change Orders; (2) Addenda; (3) the fully executed Agreement; (4) Special Conditions; (5) any Drawings and Technical Specifications; and (6) General Conditions.

Section 3.02 Reference Standards

- (a) Standards Specifications, Codes, Laws and Regulations
 - (i) Reference in the Contract Documents to standard specifications, manuals, reference standards, or codes of any technical society, organization, or association, or to Laws or Regulations, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the standard specification, manual, reference standard, code, or North Carolina laws and regulations in effect as of the Effective Date of the Agreement, except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents.
 - (ii) No provision of any such standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or any instruction of a Supplier shall be effective to change the duties or responsibilities of PWC or Contractor, or any of their subcontractors, consultants, agents, or employees, from those set forth in the Contract Documents. No such provision or instruction shall be effective to assign to PWC or any of its officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the provisions of the part of the Contract Documents.

Section 3.03 Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies

- (a) Contractor's Verification of Figures and Measurements
 - (i) Before undertaking any portion of the Work, Contractor shall review all of the Contract Documents to and check and verify all figures and dimensions for the Project. Contractor shall promptly report in writing to Project Engineer any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy that Contractor discovers, or has actual knowledge of, and shall not proceed with any Work affected thereby until the conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification or interpretation by Project Engineer, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to these General Conditions.
 - (ii) If, before or during the performance of the Work, Contractor discovers any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy within the Contract Documents, or between the Contract Documents and (a) any applicable Law or Regulation, (b) actual field conditions, (c) any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or (d) any instruction of any Supplier, then Contractor shall promptly report it to Project Engineer in writing. Contractor shall not proceed with the Work affected thereby (except in an emergency as defined hereinafter) until the conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification

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or interpretation by Project Engineer, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to these General Conditions.

(b) Resolving Discrepancies:

- (i) Except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents, the provisions of the part of the Contract Documents prepared by or for PWC shall take precedence in resolving any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy between such provisions of the Contract Documents and:
 - 1) the provisions of any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or the instruction of any Supplier (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference as a Contract Document); or
 - 2) the provisions of any Laws or Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work (unless such an interpretation of the provisions of the Contract Documents would result in violation of such Law or Regulation).

Section 3.04 Reuse of Documents

- (a) Contractor and its Subcontractors and Suppliers shall not have or acquire any title to or ownership rights in any of the:
 - (i) Drawings, Specifications, or other documents (or copies of any thereof) prepared by or bearing the seal of Design Engineer or its consultants, including electronic media editions, or reuse any such Drawings, Specifications, other documents, or copies thereof on extensions of the Project or any other project without written consent of PWC and Design Engineer and specific written verification or adaptation by Design Engineer, where applicable; or
 - (ii) Contract Documents and shall not reuse any such Contract Documents for any purpose without PWC's express written consent.
- (b) The prohibitions of this provision shall survive final payment or termination of the Agreement. Nothing herein shall preclude Contractor from retaining copies of the Contract Documents for record purposes.

Article IV. Commencement and Progress of the Work

Section 4.01 Commencement of Work

- (a) The Contract Times will commence to run on the day indicated in the Notice to Proceed issued by PWC to Contractor. A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time after the Effective Date of the Contract.
- (b) Contractor shall start to perform the Work on the date when the Contract Times commence to run. No Work shall be done at the Site prior to such date. Contractor's failure to commence the Work within fifteen (15) Days of the date stated in the Notice to Proceed shall be deemed a material breach of the Agreement unless PWC otherwise determines in its sole discretion and agrees in writing to a delay of the Contract Times based on the applicable circumstances.

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Section 4.02 Reference Points

- (a) Construction staking will be performed by Design Engineer, who will also prepare and furnish construction cut sheets, signed and sealed by a North Carolina professional land surveyor, to PWC and Contractor. Contractor shall not install any utilities without a sheet. All requests for staking shall be made not less than 96 hours in advance.
- (b) Contractor shall be responsible for laying out the Work, shall protect and preserve the established reference points and staking, and shall make no changes or relocations without the prior written approval of Project Engineer. Contractor shall report to Project Engineer whenever any reference point staking is lost or destroyed or requires relocation because of necessary changes in grades or locations, and shall be responsible for the accurate replacement or relocation of such reference points or staking by professionally qualified personnel.

Section 4.03 Progress Schedule

- (a) Contractor shall adhere to the Progress Schedule established in accordance with Section 2.03 as it may be adjusted from time-to-time as provided below. Contractor shall submit to Project Engineer for acceptance any proposed adjustments in the Progress Schedule that will not result in changing the Contract Times. Proposed adjustments in the Progress Schedule that will change the Contract Times shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Article IX.
- (b) Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the Progress Schedule during any disputes or disagreements with PWC. No Work shall be delayed or postponed pending resolution of any disputes or disagreements, or during any appeal process, except as permitted by these General Conditions or as PWC and Contractor may otherwise agree in writing.

Section 4.04 Delays in Contractor's Progress

- (a) If PWC, Project Engineer, anyone for whom PWC is responsible, or a Force Majeure Event delays, disrupts, or interferes with the performance or progress of the Work, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Times and Contract Price. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- (b) Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor. Delay, disruption, and interference attributable to and within the control of a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed to be within the control of Contractor.
- (c) Contractor must submit any Change Proposal, consistent with the procedure set forth in Article IX, seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times under this provision within ten (10) calendar days of the commencement of the event that causes the delay, disruption, or interference with the Work and Contract Times.

Article V. Availability of Lands; Subsurface and Physical Conditions; Hazardous Environmental Conditions

Section 5.01 Availability of Lands

- (a) PWC will be responsible for obtaining any required easements and encroachments, and otherwise furnishing the Site, necessary to complete the Work, except as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents.
- (b) Upon reasonable written request, PWC shall furnish to Contractor a current statement of record legal title and legal description of the lands upon which the Work is to be completed and PWC's interest therein.
- (c) Contractor shall provide for all additional lands and access thereto that may be required for temporary construction facilities or storage of materials and equipment necessary to complete the Work. Any and all agreements between the Contractor and any individual property owner(s) shall not obligate PWC, PWC's employees, Project Engineer, or Design Engineer in any manner, and Contractor shall, before performing any work on any such property, obtain a signed and notarized release of liability of PWC and Design Engineer that is suitable to PWC as confirmed in writing.
- (d) Contractor and any of its Subcontractors shall exercise care and caution to avoid damage to any private property. Should any such damage to private property occur, it is Contractor's responsibility to notify the Project Engineer promptly in writing that such damage occurred, the extent of the damage, and Contractor's written plan to remedy the damage. If Contractor fails to timely correct damage to private property, PWC reserves the right to withhold progress payments until damage is corrected and/or to correct damage and back-charge Contractor for costs incurred. At the Completion of the Project, Contractor shall obtain a signed release from all owners of private property to which damage occurred that releases PWC and Design Engineer and acknowledges a settlement for the damage or that such damage was adequately remedied.

Section 5.02 Use of Site and Other Areas

- (a) Contractor shall confine construction equipment, temporary construction facilities, the storage of materials and equipment, and the operations of workers to the Site and other adjacent areas permitted by Laws and Regulations and shall not unreasonably encumber the Site and such other adjacent areas with construction equipment or other materials or equipment. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for (a) damage to the Site; (b) damage to any such other adjacent areas used for Contractor's operations; (c) damage to any other adjacent land or areas; and (d) for injuries and losses sustained by the owners or occupants of any such land or areas; provided that such damage or injuries result from the performance of the Work or from other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible.
- (b) Contractor shall keep the Site and other adjacent areas free from accumulations of waste materials, rubbish, and other debris during the progress of the Work. Removal and disposal of such debris shall conform to applicable Laws and Regulations.
- (c) Prior to Completion of the Project, Contractor shall clean the Site and the Work and make it ready for utilization by PWC. At the completion of all of the Work, Contractor shall remove

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from the Site and adjacent areas all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery, and surplus materials and shall restore to original condition all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

- (d) Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent structures or land to stresses or pressures that will endanger them.

Section 5.03 Differing Subsurface or Physical Conditions or Underground Facilities

- (a) If Contractor believes that any subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities that is uncovered or revealed at the Site either:
 - (i) is of such a nature as to establish that any Technical Data on which Contractor is entitled to rely is materially inaccurate;
 - (ii) is of such a nature as to require a change in the Contract Documents;
 - (iii) differs materially from that shown or indicated in the Contract Documents; or
 - (iv) is of an unusual nature, and differs materially from conditions ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the Contract Documents;

then Contractor shall, promptly after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing the subsurface or physical conditions or Underground Facilities or performing any Work in connection therewith, notify PWC and Engineer in writing about such condition. Contractor shall not further disturb such condition or perform any Work in connection therewith (except with respect to an emergency) until receipt of a written statement approved by PWC permitting Contractor to do so.

- (b) After receipt of Contractor's written notice, Project Engineer will review the subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities in question; determine the necessity of PWC obtaining additional exploration or tests with respect to the condition; conclude whether the condition falls within any of the differing site condition categories in this Section 5.03; and obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor.
- (c) Project Engineer will issue a written statement to Contractor regarding the subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities in question, which addresses the resumption of Work in connection with such condition and indicates whether any change in the Contract Documents will be made.
- (d) Possible Price and Times Adjustments:
 - (i) Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that the existence of a differing subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities, or any related delay, disruption, or interference, causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - 1) such condition must fall within at least one of the categories in this Section 5.03; and,
 - 2) Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.

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- (ii) Contractor shall not be entitled to any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times with respect to a subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities if:
 - 1) Contractor knew of the existence of such condition at the time Contractor proffered its Bid to PWC or executed the applicable Agreement for the Project; or
 - 2) the existence of such condition reasonably could have been discovered or revealed as a result of any examination, investigation, exploration, test, or study of the Site and contiguous areas expressly required by the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents to be conducted by or for Contractor prior to Contractor's Bid; or
 - 3) Contractor failed to give the written notice as required.
- (iii) If PWC and Contractor agree regarding Contractor's entitlement to, and the amount or extent of, any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then any such adjustment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
- (iv) Contractor may submit a Change Proposal regarding its entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 calendar days after Project Engineer's written statement to Contractor regarding the subsurface or physical condition or Underground Facilities in question.

Section 5.04 Underground Utilities

- (a) Contractor shall ascertain the location and type of all underground utility lines or structures that may be located within the limits of the Site or any area where Work is to be performed.
 - (i) The exact location of underground utilities or structures may vary from prior plans, permits, maps, or other documentation, and others may not be designated. The Contractor is fully responsible for verification of the exact location of all underground utility lines or structures within the limits of the Site or the area where the work is to be performed, whether known or unknown by PWC, and for providing necessary protection and/or repair if damage.
 - (ii) Should uncharted or incorrectly charted piping or other utilities be encountered during excavations, the Contractor shall immediately halt any Work, notify PWC, and await direction from PWC before proceeding with any Work. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with PWC and any other utility company in keeping respective services and facilities in operation.
- (b) PWC has used reasonable care to locate and depict existing underground installation on the construction drawings, but the accuracy cannot be guaranteed, and some items may not be shown which exist. Actual horizontal and vertical locations have not been verified. As part of the Work, the Contractor is required to dig up each utility which may conflict with construction in advance to verify locations. The utilities shall be "dug up" a minimum of fourteen (14) Days in advance of actual installation of new utilities to allow PWC an opportunity to adjust grades and alignments, to avoid a conflict, and to address any other issues.
- (c) The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions of the North Carolina Underground Utility Safety and Damage Prevention Act. The Contractor shall make a documented request to

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the North Carolina One Call Center, and/or individual utility owners, in order to locate any facilities within the Site limits or any area where Work is to be performed at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the day the Work is scheduled to begin. The Contractor shall include the cost of any coordination and cooperation for utilities in its Bid.

- (i) Location assistance requested from PWC by Contractor should include the actual horizontal location, type number, size, and depth of all lines. All costs associated with locating and marking existing utilities or the utilities representatives shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.
 - (ii) The Owner, Project Engineer, Design Engineer, and/or Consultants shall not be liable to the Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or damages incurred or sustained on or in connection with locating existing underground installations.
- (d) If the Contractor fails to schedule locates or perform advance physical locations in advance of the construction and a conflict arises, the Contractor will be required to make corrective measures as instructed by the Project Engineer at the Contractor's expense. The Contractor's failure to advance plan (minimum fourteen (14) days) by physically uncovering existing utilities in advance of construction shall not be cause for claim of lost time or for additional compensation. No additional payment will be made for re-mobilization required by the utility locator.
- (i) The Contractor shall inform all equipment operators, either those employed by him or those employed by his subcontractors, of information obtained from the utility owners prior to initiation of any aspect of any Work.
- (e) PWC and Design Engineer shall not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of any information or data provided to the Contractor with respect to underground facilities.
- (f) The entire cost of all of the following will be included in the Contract Price, and Contractor shall bear full responsibilities for all such costs, including but not limited to:
- (i) Reviewing and checking all such information and data;
 - (ii) Locating all underground facilities shown or indicated in the Contract Documents;
 - (iii) Coordination of the Work with the owners of such underground facilities, including PWC, during any portion of the Work; and
 - (iv) The safety and protection of all such underground facilities and repairing any damage thereto resulting from the Work.
- (g) Contractor shall be responsible for the discovery of existing underground installations, in advance of any excavating or trenching as required in the Contract Documents.
- (h) If an underground facility is discovered at or contiguous to the Site that was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents or of which Contractor was not aware prior to starting that portion of any Work, Contractor shall, immediately after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing conditions affected thereby or performing any Work in

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connection therewith (except in an emergency), identify the owner of such underground facility and give written notice to PWC. Upon receipt of written notice, PWC will review the pertinent condition, determine the necessity of obtaining additional information, and advise Contractor in writing. During such time, Contractor shall be responsible for the safety and protection of such underground facility. If PWC concludes that a change in the Contract Documents is required, a Change Order will be issued.

- (i) The Contract Price and/or the Contract Time, may be adjusted if PWC determines, in its discretion, that the existence of such differing subsurface or physical condition causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work subject to the following:
 - 1) Facility was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, and
 - 2) The Contractor did not know of or could not anticipate the facility.

Section 5.05 Hazardous Environmental Conditions at Site

- (a) Contractor shall not be responsible for removing or remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition encountered, uncovered, or revealed at the Site unless such removal or remediation is expressly identified in the Contract Documents to be within the scope of the Work or Hazardous Environmental Condition was caused by Contractor.
- (b) Contractor shall be responsible for controlling, containing, and removing all Constituents of Concern brought to the Site by Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or anyone else for whom Contractor is responsible, and for any associated costs; and for the costs of removing and remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition created by the presence of any such Constituents of Concern.
- (c) If Contractor encounters, uncovers, or reveals a Hazardous Environmental Condition whose removal or remediation is not expressly identified in the Contract Documents as being within the scope of the Work, or if Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible creates a Hazardous Environmental Condition, then Contractor shall immediately: (1) secure or otherwise isolate such condition; (2) stop all Work in connection with such condition and in any area affected thereby (except in an emergency); and (3) immediately notify Project Engineer (and promptly thereafter confirm such notice in writing). Project Engineer will evaluate such condition or take corrective action, if any. If Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible created the Hazardous Environmental Condition in question, then PWC may have the Hazardous Environmental Condition removed and remediated and impose a set-off against payments to Contractor to account for the reasonable associated costs.
- (d) Contractor shall not resume Work in connection with such Hazardous Environmental Condition or in any affected area until after PWC has delivered written notice to Contractor either (1) specifying that such condition and any affected area is or has been rendered safe for the resumption of Work, or (2) specifying any special conditions under which such Work may be resumed safely.
- (e) If PWC and Contractor cannot agree as to entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, as a result of such Work stoppage or such special conditions under which Work is agreed to be resumed by Contractor, then within thirty (30) calendar days of PWC's written notice regarding the

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resumption of Work, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal or PWC may impose a set-off.

- (f) If after receipt of such written notice Contractor does not agree to resume such Work based on reasonable evidence it is unsafe or does not agree to resume such Work under such special conditions, then PWC may order the portion of the Work that is in the area affected by such condition to be deleted from the Work.

Article VI. Bonds and Insurance

Section 6.01 Performance and Payment Bonds

- (a) Contractor shall obtain and furnish to PWC a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Project and all Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, which bond shall be solely for the protection of PWC.
- (b) Contractor shall obtain and furnish to PWC a payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the prompt payment for all labor or materials for which the Contractor or one or more of its subcontractors is liable, which payment bond shall be solely for the protection of the persons furnishing materials or performing labor for which the Contractor is liable.
- (c) The performance bond and the payment bond shall be executed by one or more surety companies legally authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina, shall become effective upon the awarding of the construction contract by PWC to Contractor, and shall at all times comply with the requirements set forth in Article 3 of North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 44A.
- (d) In the event PWC deems the surety or sureties upon any bond necessary for the Agreement and the completion of the Project, or if for any reason, such bond ceases to be adequate to cover the performance and/or payment of the Work, Contractor shall, at its expense, and within ten (10) days after the receipt of notice from PWC, furnish such additional bond(s) in such form and amount, and with such surety or sureties, as shall be satisfactory to PWC. In such event no further payment to Contractor shall be deemed to be due under this Agreement until new or additional security for the performance and payment of the Project shall be furnished in manner and form satisfactory to PWC.
- (e) By executing the Agreement, Contractor understands and acknowledges that PWC, as a public authority, and the City, as a municipal corporation, are not subject to the provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of Chapter 44A of the General Statutes, in accordance with G.S. 44A-34 and applicable law.

Section 6.02 Insurance

- (a) Contractor shall maintain during the life of the Agreement and during the completion of any Work the following insurance coverages, which insurance shall be placed with insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina and rate A minus VII or better by the current edition of Best's Key Rating Guide or otherwise approved in writing by PWC:

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- (i) Commercial general liability insurance with limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate other than products/completed operations; \$2,000,000 aggregate for products/completed. Commercial general liability coverage shall be written on an “occurrence” basis.
- (ii) Automobile liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage from owned, non-owned, and hired automobiles.
- (iii) Workers’ compensation insurance as required by the Laws and Regulations. In the event any employee(s), contractor(s), or subcontractor(s) engaged to perform any Work under the Agreement is not protected under the applicable workers’ compensation laws, the Contractor shall provide adequate coverage for the protection of such employee(s), contractor(s), or subcontractor(s) not otherwise protected.
- (iv) In the event the Project concerns building construction or repair work, Contractor shall purchase and maintain “Builder’s Risk” insurance. This insurance shall include the interests of the PWC, Contractor, and any Subcontractor(s) and shall be written on a one hundred percent (100%) completed value basis (full value as of the date that all construction is finished and includes the Contractor’s Contract Price), and to remain in force until Completion of the Project.
- (v) Regardless of the nature of the work to be performed, coverage must also be provided for the theft or damage of building materials and supplies, which are not permanently attached or stored on Site for any period of time. This coverage shall be an “Installation Floater.” If no building construction or repair is involved for the Project, the amount of the coverage shall equal the value of the materials stored on site.
- (b) Prior to initiating any Work on the Project, Contractor shall deliver certificates of insurance confirming each such coverage set forth above, and Contractor shall direct its insurers to provide annually to PWC certificates confirming each such coverage during the coverage period.
- (c) PWC shall be named as an additional insured in the comprehensive automobile and commercial liability insurance policies.
- (d) Contractor shall not reduce or allow the required insurance coverages to lapse without PWC’s prior written approval. All policies for insurance must be endorsed to contain a provision giving PWC a thirty (30) calendar day prior written notice by certified mail of any cancellation of that policy or material reduction in coverage. Should a notice of cancellation be issued for non-payment of premiums or any part thereof, or should Contractor fail to provide and maintain certificates as set forth herein, PWC shall have the right, but shall not have the obligation, to pay such premium to the insurance company or to obtain such coverage and to deduct such payment from any sums that may be due or become due to Contractor, or to seek reimbursement for said payments from Contractor. Any such sums paid by PWC shall be due and payable immediately by Contractor upon notice from PWC.
- (e) The insurance coverage requirements shall not be construed as a limitation on Contractor’s responsibilities and liabilities pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Contractor’s obligation to maintain insurance for three (3) years after Completion of the Project shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

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- (f) If Contractor fails to obtain and maintain any required insurance, PWC may exclude Contractor from the Site, impose an appropriate set-off against payment, and exercise PWC's termination rights pursuant to the Contract Documents.
- (g) PWC does not represent that insurance coverage and limits established in this Contract necessarily will be adequate to protect Contractor or Contractor's interests.

Article VII. Contractor's Responsibilities

Section 7.01 Supervision and Superintendence

- (a) Contractor shall supervise, inspect, and direct the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction subject to the terms, provisions, and specifications set forth in the Contract Documents.
- (b) At all times during the progress of the Work, Contractor shall assign a competent superintendent, satisfactory to Project Engineer, to supervise the Work and to respond to Project Engineer concerning PWC's interests in the Work.
- (c) Contractor's superintendent shall have full authority to act on behalf of Contractor and all communications, instructions, directions, and notices given to the superintendent by the Project Engineer shall be binding to the Contractor.
- (d) Contractor's superintendent shall be responsible for coordination of the Work with other contractors or subcontractors. The superintendent shall not be replaced without written notice to PWC except under extraordinary circumstances.
- (e) Subcontractors
 - (i) Contractor shall submit the names and references all Subcontractors to the Project Engineer for approval before commencing any Work.
 - 1) In the event Contractor seeks to substitute any Subcontractor that was identified in Contractor's Bid, Contractor shall promptly provide PWC with: (1) the Subcontractor it seeks to substitute; (2) the identity of the Subcontractor to be substituted; and (3) the reason for the requested substitution.
 - 2) PWC will review the requested substitution within five (5) Business Days and provide written approval or denial of the substitution, with such approval not to be unreasonably withheld.
 - (ii) Contractor's superintendent shall be available to be present at the Site at any time that any Subcontractor(s) is performing any of the Work. Construction activity shall be stopped if the Contractor's superintendent is not available to be at the Site.

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Section 7.02 Labor; Working Hours

- (a) Contractor shall provide competent, suitably qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the Site. Contractor shall remove from the Project any person who appears incompetent, disorderly, or otherwise unsatisfactory. Contractor shall also remove any person who appears in PWC's sole discretion to be incompetent, disorderly, or otherwise unsatisfactory
- (b) Except as otherwise required for the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, and except as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the Site shall be performed on Business Days. Contractor will not perform Work on non-Business Days. Contractor may perform Work outside regular working hours or on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays only with PWC's written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld. In such circumstances, Contractor shall submit a written request to PWC at least two (2) Business Days prior to any Work that it requests to complete on a non-Business Day and PWC will, in its sole discretion, approve or deny such request. If such work outside of a Business Day is approved, PWC will set forth the specific parameters that Contractor must follow, including time of work, personnel, and any other issues.⁸

Section 7.03 Services, Materials, and Equipment

- (a) Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide and assume full responsibility for all services, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities, and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the performance, testing, start up, and Completion of the Project, whether or not such items are specifically called for in the Contract Documents.
- (b) All materials and equipment incorporated into the Work shall be of good quality and new, except as otherwise specified in the Contract Documents. All special warranties and guarantees required by the Specifications shall expressly run to the benefit of PWC. If required by PWC or its designee, Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence (including reports of required tests) as to the source, kind, and quality of materials and equipment.
- (c) All materials and equipment shall be stored, applied, installed, connected, erected, protected, used, cleaned, and conditioned in accordance with instructions of the applicable Supplier, except as otherwise may be specified in the Contract Documents.

Section 7.04 "Or Equals"

- (a) Whenever an item of material or equipment is specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular Supplier, the specification or description of such an item is intended to establish the type, function, appearance, and quality required. Unless the specification or description contains or is followed by words reading that no like, equivalent, or "or equal" item is permitted, Contractor may request that Project Engineer authorize the use of other items of material or equipment under the circumstances described below.
 - (i) If Project Engineer determines that an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor is functionally equal to that named and sufficiently similar so that no change in

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related Work will be required, Project Engineer shall deem it an "or equal" item and confirm such in writing to Contractor. A proposed item of material or equipment will be considered functionally equal to an item so named if:

- 1) in the exercise of reasonable judgment Project Engineer determines that:
 - a) it is at least equal in materials of construction, quality, durability, appearance, strength, and design characteristics;
 - b) it will reliably perform at least equally well the function and achieve the results imposed by the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole;
 - c) it has a proven record of performance and availability of responsive service; and
 - d) it is not objectionable to PWC.
 - 2) Contractor certifies that, if approved and incorporated into the Work:
 - a) there will be no increase in the Contract Price or Contract Times; and
 - b) it will conform substantially to the detailed requirements of the item specified in the Contract Documents.
- (b) Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed "or equal" item at Contractor's expense.
- (c) Project Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time to evaluate each "or-equal" request. Project Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed "or-equal" item. Project Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. Contractor shall not order, furnish, install, or utilize any "or-equal" it until Project Engineer has reviewed the request, determined that the proposed item is an "or-equal," and provided written confirmation to Contractor.
- (d) Project Engineer's denial of an "or-equal" request shall be final and binding and may not be reversed through an appeal under any provision of the Contract Documents.

Section 7.05 Concerning Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Others

- (a) Contractor may retain Subcontractors and Suppliers for the performance of parts of the Work. Such Subcontractors and Suppliers must be acceptable to PWC.
- (b) Contractor shall not subcontract more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the final Contract Price.
- (c) Contractor shall retain specific Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities for the performance of designated parts of the Work if required by the Contract Documents.
- (d) After the submittal of Contractor's Bid or final negotiation of the terms of the Agreement, PWC may not require Contractor to retain any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity to furnish or perform any of the Work.
- (e) Prior to entry into any binding subcontract or purchase order, Contractor shall submit to PWC the identity of the proposed Subcontractor or Supplier (unless PWC has already deemed such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier acceptable, during the bidding process or otherwise). Such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed acceptable to

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PWC unless PWC raises a substantive, reasonable objection within five (5) Business Days.

- (f) No acceptance by PWC of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity, whether initially or as a replacement, shall constitute a waiver of the right of PWC to the completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- (g) Contractor shall be fully responsible to PWC for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work just as Contractor is responsible for Contractor's own acts and omissions.
- (h) Contractor shall be solely responsible for scheduling and coordinating the Subcontractors, Suppliers, and all other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work.
- (i) Contractor shall restrict all Subcontractors, Suppliers, and such other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work from communicating with PWC, except through Contractor or in case of an emergency, or as otherwise expressly allowed herein.
- (j) All Work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be pursuant to an appropriate contractual agreement that specifically binds the Subcontractor or Supplier to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of PWC.
- (k) PWC may furnish to any Subcontractor or Supplier, to the extent practicable, information about amounts paid to Contractor on account of Work performed for Contractor by the particular Subcontractor or Supplier.
- (l) Nothing in the Contract Documents:
 - (i) shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity any contractual relationship between PWC or Design Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity; nor
 - (ii) shall create any obligation on the part of PWC or Design Engineer to pay or to see to the payment of any money due any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity except as may otherwise be required by Laws and Regulations.

Section 7.06 Patent Fees and Royalties

- (a) Contractor shall pay all license fees and royalties and assume all costs incident to the use in the performance of the Work or the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product, or device that is the subject of patent rights or copyrights held by others. If a particular invention, design, process, product, or device is specified in the Contract Documents for use in the performance of the Work and if, to the actual knowledge of PWC, its use is subject to patent rights or copyrights calling for the payment of any license fee or royalty to others, the existence of such rights shall be disclosed by PWC in the Contract Documents.

Section 7.07 Permits

- (a) Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses necessary to achieve Completion of the Project. Contractor shall timely seek assistance from PWC if necessary to obtain any permits or licenses; provided that, the Contract Time shall not be extended if PWC determines, in its

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discretion, that Contractor delayed or otherwise did not act expeditiously in requesting such assistance. PWC shall assist Contractor, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses. Contractor shall pay all governmental charges and inspection fees necessary for Completion of the Project that are applicable at the time of the submission of Contractor's Bid.

Section 7.08 Taxes

- (a) Contractor shall pay all sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes required to be paid by Contractor in accordance with the applicable Laws and Regulations for the Project and which are applicable during the performance of the Work.

Section 7.09 Laws and Regulations

- (a) Contractor shall give all notices required by, and shall comply with, all Laws and Regulations applicable to the Project. Except as otherwise expressly required, PWC shall not be responsible for monitoring Contractor's compliance with any Laws or Regulations.
- (b) Contractor shall bear all resulting costs and losses for any of its actions or inactions that are contrary to Laws or Regulations.
- (c) PWC or Contractor may give notice to the other party of any changes after the submission of Contractor's Bid (or after the date when Contractor became bound under the Agreement) concerning any Laws or Regulations having an effect on the Contract Price or Contract Times, including but not limited to changes in Laws or Regulations having an effect on procuring permits and on sales, use, value-added, consumption, and other similar taxes. If PWC and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times resulting from such changes, then within 30 calendar days of such notice Contractor may submit a Change Proposal.

Section 7.10 Record Documents

- (a) Contractor shall maintain in good order one (1) printed record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, written interpretations and clarifications, and approved Shop Drawings. These record documents, together with all approved Samples, will be available to Project Engineer for reference. Upon completion of the Work, Contractor shall deliver these record documents to PWC.

Section 7.11 Safety and Protection

- (a) Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Such responsibility does not relieve Subcontractors of their responsibility for the safety of persons or property in the performance of their work, nor for compliance with applicable safety Laws and Regulations. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:
 - (i) all persons on the Site or who may be affected by the Work;
 - (ii) all the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the Site; and
 - (iii) other property at the Site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks,

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pavements, roadways, structures, other work in progress, utilities, and Underground Facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.

- (b) Contractor shall comply with all applicable Laws and Regulations relating to the safety of persons or property, or to the protection of persons or property from damage, injury, or loss, and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall notify PWC, the owners of adjacent property or Underground Facilities, and other contractors and owners performing work at or adjacent to the Site, when prosecution of the Work may affect them, and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation, and replacement of their property or work in progress.
- (c) Contractor shall comply with the requirement of any of PWC's applicable health programs, which may be revised from time to time based on specific circumstances or applicable guidance from the Center for Disease Control or other applicable entity. Such health programs will be identified in the Special Conditions if applicable to the Project.
- (d) Contractor shall comply with the requirements of PWC's applicable safety programs. The Special Conditions identify any of PWC's safety programs that are applicable to the Project.
- (e) Contractor shall remedy, at its expense, all damage, injury, or loss to any property caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by Contractor, any Subcontractor, Supplier, or any other individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.
- (f) Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection shall continue until such time as Completion of the Project is achieved.
- (g) Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection shall resume whenever Contractor or any Subcontractor or Supplier returns to the Site to fulfill warranty or correction obligations, or to conduct other tasks arising from the Contract Documents.
- (h) Contractor shall designate in writing to PWC a qualified and experienced safety representative at the Site whose duties and responsibilities shall be the prevention of accidents and the maintaining and supervising of safety precautions and programs.

Section 7.12 Emergencies

- (a) In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, Contractor is obligated to, and shall, act to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss. Contractor shall give PWC prompt written notice if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused or are required as a result of any emergency. If PWC determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken by Contractor in response to such an emergency, a Work Change Directive or Change Order will be issued.

Section 7.13 Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals

- (a) Contractor shall timely submit Shop Drawings and Samples required by the Contract Documents to Project Engineer for review and approval in accordance with applicable

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specifications.

- (b) Before submitting a Shop Drawing or Sample, Contractor shall have
 - (i) reviewed the Shop Drawing or Sample with other Shop Drawings and Samples and with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents;
 - (ii) verified all measurements, quantities, dimensions, performance and design criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information;
 - (iii) verified the suitability of all materials and equipment offered with respect to the indicated application, fabrication, shipping, handling, storage, assembly, and installation pertaining to the performance of the Work; and
 - (iv) verified all information relative to Contractor's responsibilities for means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto.
- (c) With each submittal, Contractor shall give Project Engineer specific written notice of any variations that the Shop Drawing or Sample may have from the requirements of the Contract Documents. This notice shall be a written communication separate from the Shop Drawings or Sample submittal; and, in addition, in the case of Shop Drawings by a specific notation made on each Shop Drawing submitted to PWC for review and approval of each such variation.
- (d) Where a Shop Drawing or Sample is required by the Contract Documents, any related Work performed prior to Project Engineer's review and approval of the pertinent submittal will be at the sole expense and responsibility of Contractor.
- (e) Project Engineer will provide timely review of any required Shop Drawings and Samples. Such review, and subsequent determination of approval, will be only to determine if the items covered by the submittals will, after installation or incorporation in the Work, conform to the information given in the Contract Documents and be compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents.
- (f) Project Engineer's review and approval will not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction or to safety precautions or programs incident thereto.
- (g) Project Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample, or of a variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents, shall not change the Contract Times or Contract Price, unless such changes are included in a Change Order.
- (h) Project Engineer's receipt, review, acceptance or approval of a Shop Drawing, Sample, or other submittal shall not result in such item becoming a Contract Document.
- (i) Contractor shall perform the Work in compliance with the requirements and commitments set forth in approved Shop Drawings and Samples.
- (j) Resubmittal Procedures:
 - (i) Contractor shall make corrections required by Project Engineer and shall return the required number of corrected copies of Shop Drawings and submit new Samples as required for review and approval. Contractor shall direct specific attention in writing to

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revisions other than the corrections called for by PWC or Project Engineer on previous submittals.

- (ii) Contractor shall furnish required submittals with sufficient information and accuracy to obtain required approval of an item with no more than three (3) submittals. If PWC has engaged a Design Engineer for the Project, Design Engineer will record Design Engineer's time for reviewing a fourth or subsequent submittal of a Shop Drawings, sample, or other item requiring approval, and Contractor shall be responsible for Design Engineer's charges to PWC for such time. PWC may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges.
- (iii) If Contractor requests a change of a previously approved submittal item, Contractor shall be responsible for Design Engineer's charges to PWC for its review time, and PWC may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges, unless the need for such change is beyond the control of Contractor.

Section 7.14 Contractor's General Warranty and Guarantee

- (a) In order to induce PWC to enter into an Agreement with Contractor for the Project, Contractor warrants and guarantees to PWC that:
 - (i) Contractor is duly licensed in the State of North Carolina to complete all Work necessary for the Project, is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing and has all requisite powers, rights, and authority to execute, enter into, and perform the Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, and the Agreement constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation of Contractor enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.
 - (ii) Contractor has read the Contract Documents, and acknowledges and understands all data, materials, specifications, and requirements identified in the Contract Documents.
 - (iii) Contractor has visited the site for the Project, conducted a thorough, visual examination of the site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance in completing the Project.
 - (iv) Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all laws and regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance to complete the Project.
 - (v) Contractor has carefully studied all: (1) reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the site and all drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the site that have been identified in the Detail Specifications and any accompanying reports and drawings, and (2) reports and drawings relating to hazardous environmental conditions, if any, at or adjacent to the site that have been identified in the Contract Documents and any accompanying reports and drawings.
 - (vi) Contractor has considered the information known to Contractor itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Contract Documents; and the Site-related reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, if any, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on (1) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (2) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor; and (3) Contractor's safety precautions and programs.
 - (vii) Based on the information and observations referred to in subsection "(v)" of this Section, Contractor agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests,

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- studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.
- (viii) Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by PWC and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
 - (ix) Contractor has given PWC written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by PWC is acceptable to Contractor.
 - (x) The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.
 - (xi) Contractor's entry into this Agreement constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Contractor that, without exception, all prices in the Agreement are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Contract Documents.
 - (xii) Contractor has no business or personal relationship with any PWC Commissioner, officer, director, manager, or supervisor and Contractor covenants to disclose immediately to PWC any such relationship that develops during the performance of Work on the Project.
- (b) Contractor's obligation to perform and complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents shall be absolute. None of the following will constitute an acceptance of Work that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents or a release of Contractor's obligation to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents:
- (i) observations by Project Engineer;
 - (ii) recommendation by Project Engineer or payment by PWC of any progress or final payment;
 - (iii) the issuance of a certificate of Substantial Completion by Project Engineer or any payment related thereto by PWC;
 - (iv) use or occupancy of the Work or any part thereof by PWC;
 - (v) any review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal;
 - (vi) the issuance of a notice of acceptability by Project Engineer;
 - (vii) any inspection, test, or approval by others; or
 - (viii) any correction of defective Work by PWC.
- (c) If the Contract Documents requires the Contractor to accept the assignment of a contract entered into by PWC, then the specific warranties, guarantees, and correction obligations contained in the assigned contract shall govern with respect to Contractor's performance obligations to PWC for the Work described in the assigned contract.

Section 7.15 Indemnification

- (a) Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless PWC and its Commissioners, officers, employees, agents, and representatives and the City and its elected officials, managers, employees, agents, and representatives and Design Engineer (collectively "Indemnitees") from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, costs, and expenses (including, without limitation, injury to or death of any persons and damage to property, economic and consequential damages and attorneys' fees) asserted by one or more third parties against one or more of the Indemnitees if the Fault of one or more Responsible Persons is a proximate cause of the loss, damage, or expense indemnified.
- (b) Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Indemnitees shall survive the termination of the Agreement.

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- (c) In any and all claims against the Indemnitees of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, Contractor's indemnification obligation shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for Contractor or any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

Section 7.16 Claims Procedure

- (a) PWC shall notify the Contractor of all potential claims related to the Work within seven (7) calendar days of receiving notification or having knowledge of such potential claim. Should the Contractor receive a potential claim related to the Work, the Contractor shall notify PWC within seven (7) calendar days of receiving notification. The Contractor shall provide the claimant and PWC with a written response acknowledging receipt of the claim within seven (7) calendar days.
- (b) If the Contractor meets with the Claimant about the claim, a representative designated by PWC shall be present at all times. PWC shall maintain a record of any claim received, and the steps taken to resolve. PWC shall also concurrently investigate each case. The Contractor agrees to furnish PWC any information regarding the claim, the actions which led to the claim and/or the investigation of the claim. Contractor shall provide their proposed response to PWC within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving the claim. Upon receipt of the response PWC and the Contractor will discuss and reach a mutual agreement of the response necessary to send to the Claimant within fifteen (15) calendar days. Once the agreement is made the Contractor shall make a formal written resolution to the claimant.
- (c) Failure to act in good faith or respond to a claim in the timelines established by the Contract Documents will constitute a lack of response by the Contractor, therefore validating the claim. PWC will deduct the total amount of the claim from the monthly pay application. Failure to comply with the above requirements for resolving claims may, at the sole discretion of PWC, result in breach of contract.
- (d) The Contractor is aware of these claims procedures and understands that it is the PWC's practice to pursue reimbursement/subrogation for any and all claims related expenses, which are incurred as a result of the Contractor's performance under this Contract Documents and allowed within the applicable statute of limitations.

Section 7.17 Delegation of Professional Design Services

- (a) Contractor will not be required to provide professional design services unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless such services are required to carry out Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures. Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable Laws and Regulations.
- (b) If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials, or equipment are specifically required of Contractor by the Contract Documents, PWC will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Contractor shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by a properly licensed

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professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop Drawings and other submittals related to the Work designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to PWC.

- (c) PWC shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy, and completeness of the services, certifications, or approvals performed by such design professionals, provided PWC has specified to Contractor all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy.
- (d) Pursuant to this Section, PWC's, or its designee's, review and approval of design calculations and design drawings will be only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with performance and design criteria given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. PWC specifically retains final approval of such submittals.
- (e) Contractor shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria specified by PWC.

Article VIII. PWC's Responsibilities

- (a) In awarding the bid to Contractor and executing the applicable Agreement, PWC acknowledges the following responsibilities:
 - (i) Except as otherwise provided in these General Conditions, PWC shall issue all communications directly to Contractor or its designee.
 - (ii) PWC may at its discretion replace Design Engineer and Project Engineer. The replacement Design Engineer or Project Engineer's status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Design Engineer or Project Engineer.
 - (iii) PWC shall promptly furnish the data required of PWC under the Contract Documents.
 - (iv) PWC shall make payments to Contractor when they are due as provided in the Contract Documents.
 - (v) PWC shall not supervise, direct, or have control or authority over, nor be responsible for, Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. PWC will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
 - (vi) Upon request of Contractor, PWC shall furnish to Contractor reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to satisfy PWC's obligations under the Contract Documents (including obligations under proposed changes in the Work).
 - (vii) While at the Site, PWC's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable requirements of Contractor's safety programs of which PWC has been informed.
 - (viii) PWC shall furnish copies of any applicable PWC safety program(s) to Contractor, which Contractor shall review and implement.

Amending the Contract Documents; Changes in the Work

Section 8.02 Amending and Supplementing Contract Documents

- (a) The Contract Documents may be amended or supplemented by a Change Order, a Work Change Directive, or a Field Order.
 - (i) Change Orders: If an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents includes a change in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, such amendment or supplement must be set forth in a Change Order. A Change Order also may be used to establish amendments and supplements of the Contract Documents that do not affect the Contract Price or Contract Times.
 - (ii) Work Change Directives: A Work Change Directive will not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times, but is evidence that the parties expect that the modification ordered or documented by a Work Change Directive will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order, following negotiations by the parties as to the Work Change Directive's effect, if any, on the Contract Price and Contract Times; or, if negotiations are unsuccessful, by a determination under the terms of the Contract Documents governing adjustments, expressly including Paragraph 9.04 regarding change of Contract Price. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after the completion of the Work set out in the Work Change Directive. PWC must submit any dispute or request seeking an adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, no later than 60 days after issuance of the Work Change Directive.
 - (iii) Field Orders: Project Engineer may authorize minor changes in the Work if the changes do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times and are compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. Such changes will be accomplished by a Field Order and will be binding on PWC and on Contractor, which shall perform promptly the Work involved. If Contractor believes that a Field Order justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then before proceeding with the Work at issue, Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal as provided herein.

Section 8.03 PWC-Authorized Changes in the Work

- (a) Without invalidating the Agreement and without notice to any surety, PWC may, at any time or from time to time, order additions, deletions, or revisions in the Work. Such changes shall be supported by Design Engineer's recommendation when applicable and to the extent the change involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters. Such changes may be accomplished by a Change Order or by a Work Change Directive. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall promptly proceed with the Work as revised. Nothing in this paragraph shall obligate Contractor to undertake work that Contractor reasonably concludes cannot be performed in a manner consistent with Contractor's safety obligations under the Contract Documents or Laws and Regulations.

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Section 8.04 Unauthorized Changes in the Work

- (a) Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times with respect to any work performed that is not required by the Contract Documents, as amended, modified, or supplemented.

Section 8.05 Change of Contract Price

- (a) The Contract Price may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Price shall comply with the provisions of these General Conditions.
- (b) An adjustment in the Contract Price will be determined as follows:
 - (i) where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, then by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved; or
 - (ii) where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, then by a mutually agreed lump sum (which may include an allowance for overhead and profit as agreed to in writing by the Parties); or
 - (iii) where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents and the Parties do not reach mutual agreement to a lump sum, then on the basis of the Cost of the Work plus a reasonable Contractor's fee for overhead and profit.
- (c) Contractor's Fee: When applicable, the Contractor's fee for overhead and profit shall be determined as follows:
 - (i) a mutually acceptable fixed fee; or
 - (ii) if a fixed fee is not agreed upon, then a fee based on the following percentages of the various portions of the Cost of the Work:
 - 1) for unit prices, the Contractor's fee shall be fifteen percent (15%);
 - 2) for all other costs incurred, the Contractor's fee shall be five percent (5%);
 - 3) the amount of credit to be allowed by Contractor to PWC for any change that results in a net decrease in the Contract Price will be the amount of the actual net decrease in cost plus a deduction in Contractor's fee by an amount equal to five percent of such net decrease; and
 - 4) when both additions and credits are involved in any one change, the adjustment in Contractor's fee shall be computed on the basis of the net change.

Section 8.06 Change of Contract Times

- (a) The Contract Times may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Times shall comply with the provisions of Paragraph 9.06.
- (b) An adjustment of the Contract Times shall be subject to the limitations set forth in these Contract Document as it concerns delays in Contractor's progress.

Section 8.07 Change Proposals

- (a) Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal to PWC to request an adjustment in the Contract Times and/or Contract Price. The Change Proposal shall specify any proposed

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change in Contract Times or Contract Price, or both, or other proposed relief, and explain the reason for the proposed change, with citations to any governing or applicable provisions of the Contract Documents.

- (i) Procedures: Contractor shall submit each Change Proposal to PWC promptly (but in no event later than 30 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto, or after such initial decision. The Contractor shall submit supporting data, including the proposed change in Contract Price or Contract Time (if any), to PWC within 15 calendar days after the submittal of the Change Proposal. The supporting data shall be accompanied by a written statement that the supporting data are accurate and complete, and that any requested time or price adjustment is the entire adjustment to which Contractor believes it is entitled as a result of said event.
- (ii) PWC Action: PWC will review each Change Proposal and, within 30 calendar days after receipt of the Contractor's supporting data, either deny the Change Proposal in whole, approve it in whole, or deny it in part and approve it in part. Such actions shall be in writing to Contractor. If PWC does not take action on the Change Proposal within 30 calendar days, then the Change Proposal is deemed denied, thereby commencing the time for appeal under these General Conditions.
- (iii) Binding Decision: PWC's decision will be final and binding unless Contractor appeals the decision.

Section 8.08 Execution of Change Orders

- (a) PWC and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders covering:
 - (i) changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times that are agreed to by the parties, including any undisputed sum or amount of time for Work performed in accordance with a Work Change Directive;
 - (ii) changes in Contract Price resulting from a PWC set-off, unless Contractor has duly contested such set-off;
 - (iii) changes in the Work which are: (a) ordered by PWC, (b) required because of PWC's acceptance of defective Work or PWC's correction of defective Work, or (c) agreed to by the parties, subject to the need for Design Engineer's recommendation if the change in the Work involves the design (as set forth in the Contract Documents), or other engineering or technical matters; and
 - (iv) changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or other changes, which embody the substance of any final and binding results.
- (b) If PWC or Contractor refuses to execute a Change Order that is required to be executed under the terms of this Section, it shall be deemed to be of full force and effect as if fully executed.

Section 8.09 Notification to Surety

- (a) If the provisions of any bond require notice to be given to a surety of any change affecting the general scope of the Work or the provisions of the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, Contract Price or Contract Times), the giving of any such notice will be Contractor's responsibility. The amount of each applicable bond will be adjusted to reflect the effect of any such change.

Article IX. Tests, Inspections, and Approvals; Correction, Removal, or Acceptance of Defective Work

Section 9.01 Access to Work

- (a) PWC, Design Engineer, their consultants and other representatives and personnel of PWC, independent testing laboratories, and authorities having jurisdiction will have access to the Site and the Work at reasonable times for their observation, inspection, and testing. Contractor shall provide them proper and safe conditions for such access and advise them of Contractor's safety procedures and programs so that they may comply therewith as applicable.

Section 9.02 Tests, Inspections, and Approvals

- (a) Contractor shall give Project Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work (or specific parts thereof) for all required inspections and tests and shall cooperate with inspection and testing personnel to facilitate required inspections and tests.
- (b) PWC shall retain and pay for the initial services of an independent inspector, testing laboratory, or other qualified individual or entity to perform all inspections and tests expressly required by the Contract Documents to be furnished and paid for by PWC, except those costs incurred in connection with tests or inspections of covered Work shall be governed by the provisions of Paragraph 10.05.
- (c) If Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction require any Work (or part thereof) specifically to be inspected, tested, or approved by an employee or other representative of such public body, Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such inspections, tests, or approvals, pay all costs in connection therewith, and furnish the required certificates of inspection or approval to PWC.
- (d) Contractor shall be responsible for arranging, obtaining, and paying for all inspections and tests required:
 - (i) by the Contract Documents, unless the Contract Documents expressly allocate responsibility for a specific inspection or test to PWC;
 - (ii) to attain PWC's and Design Engineer's acceptance of materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work;
 - (iii) by manufacturers of equipment furnished under the Contract Documents;
 - (iv) for testing, adjusting, and balancing of mechanical, electrical, and other equipment to be incorporated into the Work; and
 - (v) for acceptance of materials, mix designs, or equipment submitted for approval prior to Contractor's purchase thereof for incorporation in the Work.

Such inspections and tests shall be performed by independent inspectors, testing laboratories, or other qualified individuals or entities acceptable to PWC, as confirmed in writing by Project Engineer to Contractor.

- (e) If the Contract Documents require the Work (or part thereof) to be approved by PWC or its designee, then Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such approvals.

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- (f) If any Work (or the work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered by Contractor without written concurrence of Project Engineer, Contractor shall, if requested by Project Engineer, uncover such Work for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor had given PWC timely notice of Contractor's intention to cover the same and PWC had not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice.

Section 9.03 Defective Work

- (a) It is Contractor's obligation to assure that the Work is not defective.
- (b) PWC or its designee has the authority to determine whether Work is defective, and to reject defective Work.
- (c) Prompt notice of all defective Work of which PWC has actual knowledge will be given to Contractor.
- (d) Promptly after receipt of written notice of defective Work, Contractor shall correct all such defective Work, whether or not fabricated, installed, or completed, or, if PWC has rejected the defective Work, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective.
- (e) When correcting defective Work, Contractor shall take no action that would void or otherwise impair PWC's special warranty and guarantee, if any, on said Work.
- (f) In addition to its correction, removal, and replacement obligations with respect to defective Work, Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to defective Work, including but not limited to the cost of the inspection, testing, correction, removal, replacement, or reconstruction of such defective Work, fines levied against PWC by governmental authorities because the Work is defective, and the costs of repair or replacement of work of others resulting from defective Work. Prior to final payment, if PWC and Contractor are unable to agree as to the measure of such claims, costs, losses, and damages resulting from defective Work, then PWC may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due.

Section 9.04 Acceptance of Defective Work

- (a) If, instead of requiring correction or removal and replacement of defective Work, PWC prefers to accept it, PWC may do so (subject, if such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, to Design Engineer's confirmation that such acceptance is in general accord with the design intent and applicable engineering principles and will not endanger public safety).
- (b) Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages attributable to PWC's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective Work (such costs to be approved by PWC as to reasonableness), and for the diminished value of the Work to the extent not otherwise paid by Contractor. If any such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents with respect to the Work shall be incorporated in a Change Order.
- (c) If the parties are unable to agree as to the decrease in the Contract Price, reflecting the diminished value of Work so accepted, then PWC may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due. If the acceptance of defective Work occurs after final payment, Contractor

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shall pay an appropriate amount to PWC.

Section 9.05 Uncovering Work

- (a) PWC has discretion to require, at its initial cost, additional inspection or testing of the Work, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.
- (b) If any Work is covered contrary to the written request of PWC, then Contractor shall, if requested by PWC or its designee, uncover such Work for observation, and then replace the covering, all at Contractor's expense.
- (c) If PWC considers it necessary or advisable that covered Work be observed by PWC or inspected or tested by others, then Contractor, at PWC's request, shall uncover, expose, or otherwise make available for observation, inspection, or testing as PWC may require, that portion of the Work in question, and provide all necessary labor, material, and equipment.
 - (i) If it is found that the uncovered Work is defective, Contractor shall be responsible for all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, and testing, and of satisfactory replacement or reconstruction (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others); and pending Contractor's full discharge of this responsibility PWC shall be entitled to impose a reasonable set-off against payments due.
 - (ii) If the uncovered Work is not found to be defective, Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing, replacement, and reconstruction. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount or extent thereof, then Contractor may submit a Change Proposal within 30 calendar days of the determination that the Work is not defective.

Section 9.06 PWC May Stop the Work

- (a) If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficiently skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment, or fails to perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, then PWC may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated; however, this right of PWC to stop the Work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of PWC to exercise this right for the benefit of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, any other individual or entity, or any surety for, or employee or agent of any of them.

Section 9.07 PWC May Correct Defective Work

- (a) If Contractor fails within the time specified by PWC in a written notice from PWC to correct defective Work, or to remove and replace rejected Work as required by PWC, or if Contractor fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract Documents, then PWC may, after seven (7) calendar days written notice to Contractor, correct or remedy any such deficiency.
- (b) In exercising the rights and remedies under this Section, PWC shall proceed expeditiously. In connection with such corrective or remedial action, PWC may exclude Contractor from all or part of the Site, take possession of all or part of the Work and suspend Contractor's services related thereto, and incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at

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the Site or for which PWC has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. Contractor shall allow PWC and its officers, employees, representatives, agents and other contractors, and Design Engineer and its employees and agents access to the Site to enable PWC to exercise the rights and remedies under this Section.

- (c) All claims, costs, losses, and damages incurred or sustained by PWC in exercising the rights and remedies under this Section will be charged against Contractor as set-offs against payments due. Such claims, costs, losses and damages will include but not be limited to all costs of repair, or replacement of work or others destroyed or damaged by correction, removal, or replacement of Contractor's defective Work.
- (d) Contractor shall not be allowed an extension of the Contract Times because of any delay in the performance of the Work attributable to the exercise by PWC of PWC's rights and remedies under this Section.

Article X. Claims

Section 10.01 Claims Process

- (a) The following disputes between PWC and Contractor shall be submitted to the Claims process set forth in this Article:
 - (i) Appeals by PWC or Contractor of Design Engineer's decisions regarding Change Proposals;
 - (ii) PWC or Contractor's demands for adjustments in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or other relief under the Contract Documents; and
 - (iii) Disputes that Design Engineer has been unable to address because they do not involve the design (as set forth in the Contract Documents), the acceptability of the Work, or other engineering or technical matters.

Section 10.02 Submittal of Claim

- (a) The party submitting a claim shall deliver it directly to the other party to the Agreement promptly (but in no event later than 30 calendar days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto; in the case of appeals regarding Change Proposals within 30 calendar days of the decision under appeal. The responsibility to substantiate a claim shall rest with the party making the claim. In the case of a claim by Contractor seeking an increase in the Contract Times or Contract Price, or both, Contractor shall certify that the claim is made in good faith, that the supporting data are accurate and complete, and that to the best of Contractor's knowledge and belief the amount of time or money requested accurately reflects the full amount to which Contractor is entitled.

Section 10.03 Review and Resolution

- (a) The party receiving a Claim shall review it thoroughly, giving full consideration to its merits. The two parties shall seek to resolve the Claim through the exchange of information and direct negotiations. The parties may extend the time for resolving the Claim by mutual agreement. All actions taken on a Claim shall be stated in writing and submitted to the other party.

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Section 10.04 Dispute Resolution

- (a) In the event of any dispute, controversy, or claim of any kind or nature arising under or in connection with this Agreement (a "Dispute") and involving any two or more of the following parties, PWC, Design Engineer, Contractor or any subcontractor of Contractor, the party initiating the Dispute shall serve written notice of a Dispute on the party(ies) to the dispute, and those parties shall endeavor to settle the dispute first through direct, informal discussions between the parties' selected representatives. Any such representative(s) shall have binding authority to settle the Dispute. In the event the parties do not settle the Dispute within ten (10) calendar days from the date of written notice of the Dispute, any party to the Dispute may, by written notice to the other party(ies), engage a mediator certified under the laws of the State of North Carolina to mediate the Dispute within thirty (30) calendar days of such notice. The parties to the Dispute shall attend mediation in good faith. In the event mediation is unsuccessful, any party to the dispute may initiate arbitration proceedings. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to the Contract Documents, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by binding arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Construction Industry Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. All of the foregoing dispute resolution procedures shall be held in Cumberland County, North Carolina. The costs of the mediator and arbitrator in a dispute resolution process shall be divided equally among the parties to the process; provided, however, PWC shall bear at least one-third of the cost if PWC is a party to the dispute resolution and the remainder of the cost shall be divided equally among the other parties participating in the dispute resolution. PWC shall, in its contractual arrangements with Design Engineer, and Contractor shall, in its contracts with Subcontractors and they in their contracts with lower-tier subcontractors authorize and direct such parties to participate in the dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Section. Unless otherwise directed in writing by PWC, Contractor shall continue the Project and maintain compliance with the scheduling deadlines set forth in the Contract Documents during any dispute resolution proceedings. If Contractor continues to perform, PWC shall make payments due for the continued performance in accordance with this Agreement. The provisions of this Section shall not extend any applicable statutes of limitation or repose.

Article XI. Payments to Contractor; Set-Offs; Completion; Correction Period

Section 11.01 Progress Payments

- (a) The Schedule of Values will serve as the basis for progress payments and will be incorporated into a form of Application for Payment acceptable to the Project Engineer. Progress payments on account of Unit Price Work will be based on the number of units completed during the pay period. Progress payments for cost-based Work will be based on the Cost of the Work completed by the Contractor during the pay period.
- (b) Applications for Payments:
- (i) Contractor shall submit to Project Engineer for review an Application for Payment filled out and signed by Contractor covering the Work completed as of the date of the Application and accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents. If payment is requested on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the Site or another

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location agreed to in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice, or other documentation warranting that PWC has received the materials and equipment free and clear, and evidence that the materials and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance, a warehouse bond, or other arrangements to protect PWC's interest.

- (ii) Beginning with the second Application for Payment, each Application shall include an affidavit of Contractor stating that all previous progress payments received on account of the Work have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations associated with prior Applications for Payment.
 - (iii) The amount of retainage for progress payments will be as stipulated in the Contract Documents.
- (c) Review of Applications:
- (i) Project Engineer will, within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of each Application for Payment, including each resubmittal, either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the Application to PWC, or return the Application to Contractor indicating in writing Project Engineer's reason(s) for refusing to recommend payment. In the latter case, the Contractor may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application.
 - (ii) Project Engineer's recommendation of any payment requested in an Application for Payment will constitute a representation by Project Engineer to PWC, based on Project Engineer's observations of the executed Work, and on Project Engineer's review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data and schedules, that to the best of Project Engineer's knowledge, information, and belief:
 - 1) the Work has progressed to the point indicated;
 - 2) the quality of the Work is generally in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work as a functioning whole prior to or upon Substantial Completion, the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents, a final determination of quantities and classifications for Unit Price Work, and any other qualifications stated in the recommendation); and
 - 3) the conditions precedent to Contractor's being entitled to such payment appear to have been fulfilled in so far as it is Project Engineer's responsibility to observe the Work.
 - (iii) By recommending any such payment Project Engineer will not thereby be deemed to have represented that:
 - 1) inspections made to check the quality or the quantity of the Work as it has been performed have been exhaustive, extended to every aspect of the Work in progress, or involved detailed inspections of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Project Engineer in the Contract Documents; or
 - 2) there may not be other matters or issues between the parties that might entitle Contractor to be paid additionally by PWC or entitle PWC to withhold payment to Contractor.
 - (iv) Neither Project Engineer's review of Contractor's Work for the purposes of recommending payments nor Project Engineer's recommendation of any payment, including final payment, will impose responsibility on Project Engineer:
 - 1) to supervise, direct, or control the Work, or
 - 2) for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the

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- 3) safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for Contractor's failure to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to Contractor's performance of the Work, or
 - 4) to make any examination to ascertain how or for what purposes Contractor has used the money paid on account of the Contract Price.
- (v) Project Engineer may refuse to recommend the whole or any part of any payment if, in Project Engineer's opinion, it would be incorrect to make the representations to PWC outlined in this Section.
- (d) Project Engineer will recommend reductions in payment (set-offs) necessary in Project Engineer's opinion to protect PWC from loss because:
- (i) the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - (ii) the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - (iii) PWC has been required to correct defective Work or has accepted defective Work in accordance with these General Conditions;
 - (iv) PWC has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible; or
 - (v) Project Engineer has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any of the events that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify termination for cause under the Contract Documents.
- (e) Payment Becomes Due:
- (i) Twenty (20) Business Days after presentation of the Application for Payment to PWC with Project Engineer's recommendation, the amount recommended (subject to any PWC set offs) will become due, and when due will be paid by PWC to Contractor.
- (f) Reductions in Payment by PWC:
- (i) In addition to any reductions in payment (set-offs) recommended by Project Engineer, PWC is entitled to impose a set-off against payment based on any of the following:
 - 1) PWC has incurred costs, losses, or damages on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance or furnishing of the Work, including but not limited to claims, costs, losses, or damages from workplace injuries, adjacent property damage, non-compliance with Laws and Regulations, and patent infringement;
 - 2) Contractor has failed to take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damage, delay, disruption, and interference with other work at or adjacent to the Site;
 - 3) Contractor has failed to provide and maintain required bonds or insurance;
 - 4) PWC has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible;
 - 5) PWC has incurred extra charges or engineering costs related to submittal reviews, evaluations of proposed substitutes, tests and inspections, or return visits to manufacturing or assembly facilities;
 - 6) the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - 7) PWC has been required to correct defective Work or has accepted defective Work in accordance with the Contract Documents;
 - 8) the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - 9) an event that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify a termination for cause has occurred;

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- 10) liquidated damages have accrued as a result of Contractor's failure to achieve Milestones, Substantial Completion, or Completion of the Project; or
 - 11) there are other items entitling PWC to a set off against the amount recommended.
- (ii) If PWC imposes any set-off against payment, whether based on its own knowledge or on the written recommendations of Project Engineer, PWC will give Contractor immediate written notice stating the reasons for such action and the specific amount of the reduction, and promptly pay Contractor any amount remaining after deduction of the amount so withheld. PWC shall promptly pay Contractor the amount so withheld, or any adjustment agreed to by PWC and Contractor if Contractor remedies the reasons for such action. The reduction imposed shall be binding on Contractor unless it duly submits a Change Proposal contesting the reduction.
- (iii) Upon a subsequent determination that PWC's refusal of payment was not justified, the amount wrongfully withheld shall be treated as an amount due and subject to interest as provided in the Contract Documents.

Section 11.02 Substantial Completion

- (a) When Contractor considers the entire Work ready for its intended use Contractor shall notify PWC and Design Engineer in writing that the entire Work is substantially complete and request that PWC acknowledge in writing that Contractor has met Substantial Completion.
- (b) Promptly after Contractor's notification, PWC, Contractor, and Design Engineer shall make an inspection of the Work to determine the status of completion. If PWC does not consider the Work substantially complete, PWC will notify Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor. PWC shall thereafter submit to Contractor an initial draft of punch list items to be completed or corrected before final payment.
- (c) If Design Engineer considers the Work substantially complete, Design Engineer will deliver to PWC a preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion which shall fix the date of Substantial Completion. Design Engineer shall attach to the certificate a punch list of items to be completed or corrected before final payment. PWC shall have seven (7) Business Days after receipt of the preliminary certificate to make written objection to Design Engineer as to any provisions of the certificate or attached punch list. If, after considering the objections to the provisions of the preliminary certificate, PWC concludes that the Work is not substantially complete, PWC will, within fourteen (14) calendar days after submission of the preliminary certificate to PWC, notify Contractor in writing that the Work is not substantially complete, stating the reasons therefor.
- (d) At the time of receipt of the preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion, PWC and Contractor will confer regarding PWC's use or occupancy of the Work following Substantial Completion, review the builder's risk insurance policy with respect to the end of the builder's risk coverage, and confirm the transition to coverage of the Work under a permanent property insurance policy held by PWC. Unless PWC and Contractor agree otherwise in writing, PWC shall bear responsibility for security, operation, protection of the Work, property insurance, maintenance, heat, and utilities upon PWC use or occupancy of the Work.
- (e) After Substantial Completion the Contractor shall promptly begin work on the punch list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment and shall complete such items

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within the time specified by PWC. In appropriate cases Contractor may submit monthly Applications for Payment for completed punch list items, following the progress payment procedures set forth above.

- (f) PWC shall have the right to exclude Contractor from the Site after the date of Substantial Completion subject to allowing Contractor reasonable access to remove its property and complete or correct items on the punch list.

Section 11.03 Partial Use or Occupancy

- (a) Prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work, PWC may use or occupy any substantially completed part of the Work which has specifically been identified in the Contract Documents, or which PWC, Design Engineer, and Contractor agree constitutes a separately functioning and usable part of the Work that can be used by PWC for its intended purpose without significant interference with Contractor's performance of the remainder of the Work, subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) At any time PWC may request in writing that Contractor permit PWC to use or occupy any such part of the Work that PWC believes to be substantially complete.
 - (ii) At any time Contractor may notify PWC and Design Engineer in writing that Contractor considers any such part of the Work substantially complete and request Design Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work.
 - (iii) Within a reasonable time after either such request, PWC, Contractor, and Design Engineer shall make an inspection of that part of the Work to determine its status of completion. If Design Engineer does not consider that part of the Work to be substantially complete, Design Engineer will notify PWC and Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor.
 - (iv) No use or occupancy or separate operation of part of the Work may occur prior to compliance with the requirements regarding builder's risk or other property insurance.

Section 11.04 Final Inspection

- (a) Upon written notice from Contractor that Completion of the Project has been achieved or an agreed portion thereof is complete, PWC will promptly make a final inspection with Project Engineer, Design Engineer, and Contractor and will notify Contractor in writing of all particulars in which this inspection reveals that the Work, or agreed portion thereof, is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies.

Section 11.05 Final Payment

- (a) Application for Payment:
 - (i) After Contractor has, in the opinion of PWC, satisfactorily completed all corrections identified during the final inspection and has delivered, in accordance with the Contract Documents, all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance, certificates of inspection, annotated record documents, and other documents, Contractor may make application for final payment.
 - (ii) The final Application for Payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by:
 - 1) all documentation called for in the Contract Documents;

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- 2) consent of the surety, if any, to final payment;
 - 3) satisfactory evidence that all title issues have been resolved such that title to all Work, materials, and equipment has passed to PWC free and clear or will so pass upon final payment;
 - 4) a list of all disputes that Contractor believes are unsettled; and
 - 5) complete and legally effective releases or waivers (satisfactory to PWC) required by the Contract Documents.
- (iii) If Design Engineer is satisfied that the Work has been completed and Contractor's other obligations under the Contract have been fulfilled, Design Engineer will, within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing Design Engineer's recommendation of final payment and present the Application for Payment to PWC for payment. Such recommendation shall account for any set-offs against payment that are necessary in Design Engineer's opinion to protect PWC from loss for the reasons stated above with respect to progress payments. At the same time Design Engineer will also give written notice to PWC and Contractor that the Work is acceptable and that Completion of the Project has been achieved. Otherwise, Design Engineer will return the Application for Payment to Contractor, indicating in writing the reasons for refusing to recommend final payment, in which case Contractor shall make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application for Payment.
- (iv) Within thirty (30) calendar days after the presentation to PWC of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation, the amount recommended by Design Engineer (less any further sum PWC is entitled to set off against Design Engineer's recommendation, including but not limited to set-offs for liquidated damages and set-offs allowed under the provisions above with respect to progress payments) will become due and shall be paid by PWC to Contractor.

Section 11.06 Waiver of Claims

- (a) The making of final payment will not constitute a waiver by PWC of claims or rights against Contractor. PWC expressly reserves claims and rights arising from defective Work appearing after final inspection, from Contractor's failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein, from Contractor's indemnification obligations, or from Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract Documents.
- (b) The acceptance of final payment by Contractor will constitute a waiver by Contractor of all claims and rights against PWC other than those pending matters that have been duly submitted or appealed under the provisions of the Contract Documents.

Section 11.07 Correction Period

- (a) If within one (1) year after the date of Substantial Completion (or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents, or by any specific provision of the Contract Documents), any Work is found to be defective, or if the repair of any damages to the Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas used by Contractor as permitted by Laws and Regulations, is found to be defective, then Contractor shall promptly, without cost to PWC and in accordance with PWC's written instructions:
 - (i) correct the defective repairs to the Site or such other adjacent areas;

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- (ii) correct such defective Work;
 - (iii) if the defective Work has been rejected by PWC, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective, and
 - (iv) satisfactorily correct or repair or remove and replace any damage to other Work, to the work of others, or to other land or areas resulting therefrom.
- (b) If Contractor does not promptly comply with the terms of PWC's written instructions, or in an emergency where delay would cause serious risk of loss or damage, PWC may have the defective Work corrected or repaired or may have the rejected Work removed and replaced. Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such correction or repair or such removal and replacement (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others).
- (c) In special circumstances where a particular item of equipment is placed in continuous service before Substantial Completion of all the Work, the correction period for that item may start to run from an earlier date only as provided in the Contract Documents.
- (d) Where defective Work (and damage to other Work resulting therefrom) has been corrected or removed and replaced under this Article XII, the correction period hereunder with respect to such Work will be extended for an additional period of one year after such correction or removal and replacement has been satisfactorily completed.
- (e) Contractor's obligations under this Article XII are in addition to all other obligations and warranties. The provisions of this Article XII shall not be construed as a substitute for, or a waiver of, the provisions of any applicable statute of limitation or repose.

Article XII. Suspension of Work and Termination

Section 12.01 PWC May Suspend Work

- (a) At any time and without cause, PWC may suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than 90 consecutive calendar days by written notice to Contractor and Design Engineer. Such notice will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension. Any Change Proposal seeking such adjustments shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the date fixed for resumption of Work.

Section 12.02 PWC May Terminate for Cause

- (a) The occurrence of any one or more of the following events will constitute a default by Contractor and justify termination for cause:
- (i) Contractor's continued failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment or failure to adhere to the Progress Schedule);
 - (ii) Failure of Contractor to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Contract Documents;
 - (iii) Contractor's disregard of Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction; or

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- (iv) Contractor's repeated disregard of the authority of PWC, Project Engineer, or Design Engineer.
- (b) If one or more of the events identified in Paragraph 13.02(a) occurs, then after giving Contractor (and any surety) ten (10) calendar days written notice that PWC is considering a declaration that Contractor is in default and termination of the Agreement, PWC may proceed to:
 - (i) declare Contractor to be in default, and give Contractor (and any surety) notice that the Contract is terminated; and
 - (ii) enforce the rights available to PWC under any applicable performance bond.
- (c) Subject to the terms and operation of any applicable performance bond, if PWC has terminated the Contract for cause, PWC may exclude Contractor from the Site, take possession of the Work, incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which PWC has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and complete the Work as PWC may deem expedient.
- (d) PWC may not proceed with termination of the Contract under Paragraph 13.02(b) if Contractor within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of notice of intent to terminate begins to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure and such efforts are agreed to by PWC.
- (e) If PWC proceeds as provided in Paragraph 13.02(b), Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is completed. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price exceeds the cost to complete the Work, including all related claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals) sustained by PWC, such excess will be paid to Contractor. If the cost to complete the Work including such related claims, costs, losses, and damages exceeds such unpaid balance, Contractor shall pay the difference to PWC. Such claims, costs, losses, and damages incurred by PWC will be reviewed by PWC as to their reasonableness and, when so approved by PWC, incorporated in a Change Order.
- (f) Where Contractor's services have been so terminated by PWC, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of PWC against Contractor then existing or which may thereafter accrue, or any rights or remedies of PWC against Contractor or any surety under any payment bond or performance bond. Any retention or payment of money due Contractor by PWC will not release Contractor from liability.
- (g) The provisions of any applicable payment or performance bond shall govern over any inconsistent provisions of this Section.

Section 12.03 PWC May Terminate For Convenience

- (a) Upon seven (7) calendar days written notice to Contractor, PWC may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of PWC, terminate the Contract. In such case, Contractor shall be paid for (without duplication of any items):
 - (i) completed and acceptable Work executed in accordance with the Contract Documents prior to the effective date of termination, including fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such Work;
 - (ii) expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and

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furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses; and

- (iii) other reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination, including costs incurred to prepare a termination for convenience cost proposal.
- (b) Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated overhead, profits, or revenue, or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

Section 12.04 Contractor May Stop Work or Terminate

- (a) If, through no act or fault of Contractor, (1) the Work is suspended for more than ninety (90) consecutive calendar days by PWC or under an order of court or other public authority or (2) PWC fails for sixty (60) calendar days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, then Contractor may, upon seven (7) calendar days written notice to PWC, and provided PWC does not remedy such suspension or failure within that time, terminate the Contract and recover from PWC payment on the same terms as provided in this Article.
- (b) In lieu of terminating the Contract and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if PWC has failed for thirty (30) calendar days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, Contractor may, seven (7) calendar days after written notice to PWC, stop the Work until payment is made of all such amounts due Contractor, including interest thereon. The provisions of this paragraph are not intended to preclude Contractor from submitting a Change Proposal for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times or otherwise for expenses or damage directly attributable to Contractor's stopping the Work as permitted by this paragraph.

Section 12.05 Morality

- (a) If, in the sole opinion of PWC, at any time Contractor or any of its owner(s) or employee(s) or agent(s) (each party, owner, employee, and agent is an "Actor") engages in any one or more actions that bring disrepute, contempt, scandal, or public ridicule to the Actor or subject the Actor to prosecution or offend the community or public morals or decency or denigrate individuals or groups in the community served by PWC or are scandalous or inconsistent with community standards or good citizenship or may adversely affect PWC's finances, public standing, image, or reputation or are embarrassing or offensive to PWC or may reflect unfavorably on PWC or are derogatory or offensive to one or more employee(s) or customer(s) of PWC, PWC may immediately upon written notice to Contractor terminate the Agreement, in addition to any other rights and remedies that PWC may have pursuant to the Contract Documents or at law or in equity.

Article XIII. Miscellaneous

Section 13.01 Additional General Terms and Conditions

- (a) Contractor shall be subject to any additional terms and conditions for this Project as set forth in the applicable Appendices as specific in the Agreement, which is incorporated by reference as if set forth word-for-word herein.

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Section 13.02 Giving Notice

- (a) Whenever any provision of the Contract Documents requires the giving of written notice, it will be deemed to have been validly given if:
 - (i) delivered in person, by a commercial courier service or otherwise, to the individual or to a member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for which it is intended;
 - (ii) delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the sender of the notice; or
 - (iii) sent to PWC or Contractor's designee(s) via email, with a confirmation of receipt.

Section 13.03 Computation of Times

- (a) When any period of time is referred to in the Contract by days, it will be computed to exclude the first and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or on a day made a legal holiday by the law of the applicable jurisdiction, such day will be omitted from the computation.

Section 13.04 Cumulative Remedies

- (a) The duties and obligations imposed by these General Conditions and the rights and remedies available hereunder to the parties are in addition to, and are not to be construed in any way as a limitation of, any rights and remedies available to any or all of them which are otherwise imposed or available by Laws or Regulations, by special warranty or guarantee, or by other provisions of the Contract Documents. The provisions of this paragraph will be as effective as if repeated specifically in the Contract Documents in connection with each particular duty, obligation, right, and remedy to which they apply.

Section 13.05 Limitation of Damages

- (a) With respect to any and all Change Proposals, Claims, disputes subject to final resolution, and other matters at issue, neither PWC nor Design Engineer, nor any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, shall be liable to Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or damages sustained by Contractor on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.

Section 13.06 No Waiver

- (a) A party's non-enforcement of any provision shall not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor shall it affect the enforceability of that provision or any other provision of the Contract Documents.

Section 13.07 Survival of Obligations

- (a) All representations, indemnifications, warranties, and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with the Contract Documents, as well as all continuing obligations indicated in the Contract Documents, will survive final payment, completion, and acceptance of the Work or termination or completion of the Agreement or termination of the services of Contractor.

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Section 13.08 Controlling Law

- (a) The Agreement shall be governed by the law of the State of North Carolina.

Section 13.09 Headings

- (a) Article and paragraph headings, numbers, and letters are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute parts of these General Conditions.

SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

These Supplementary Conditions amend or supplement the GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (December 2022 Edition) and other provisions of the Contract Documents as indicated below. All provisions which are not so amended or supplemented remain in full force and effect. Terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

Article I. Definitions and Terminology

Section 1.01 Definitions

These Supplemental Conditions are deemed to be included among the Contract Documents.

(m) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(m) Contract Price—The moneys payable by Owner to Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents as stated in the Agreement (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 15.03 in the case of Unit Price Work). Contract Price may also be referred to as “Price” throughout the Contract Documents.

(n) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(n) Contract Times—The number of days or the dates stated in the Agreement to: (i) achieve Milestones, if any; (ii) achieve Substantial Completion; and (iii) complete the Work so that it is ready for final payment as evidenced by Engineer’s written recommendation of final payment.”

(q) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(q) Engineer—The individual or entity named as such in the Agreement.”

(r) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(r) Drawings—That part of the Contract Documents prepared or approved by Engineer which graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor. Shop Drawings and other Contractor submittals are not Drawings as so defined.”

(s) Delete the word “Project”.

(v) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(v) Milestone—A principal event specified in the Contract Documents relating to an intermediate completion date or time prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work.”

- (w) After “PWC” insert “or Engineer”.
- (z) After “PWC” insert “or Engineer”.
- (bb) Add “Project Engineer” is sometimes referred to as “Project Manager”.
- (ee) After “Project Engineer’s” insert “Engineer’s”.
- (kk) In the first sentence delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer and Owner”.
- (ss) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(ss) Work Change Directive—A written statement to Contractor issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work, or responding to differing or unforeseen subsurface or physical conditions under which the Work is to be performed or to emergencies. A Work Change Directive will not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times but is evidence that the parties expect that the change ordered or documented by a Work Change Directive will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order following negotiations by the parties as to its effect, if any, on the Contract Price or Contract Times.”

A new definition is added which reads as follows:

Resident Project Representative—The authorized representative of Engineer who may be assigned to the Site or any part thereof.

Section 1.02 Terminology

- (a)(i) In three places delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.
- (a)(i) In the last sentence after “provisions” insert “of Article VIII of any other provisions of”.
- (b)(iii) Delete “Project Engineer’s” and replace with “Engineer’s”.

Section 1.01 Definitions

Article II. Preliminary Matters

Section 2.01 Delivery of Bonds and Evidence of Insurance

- (b) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(b) Evidence of Insurance: When Contractor delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to the Owner, Contractor shall deliver to the Owner with copies to each additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance which either of them or any additional insured may reasonably request) which Contractor is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with Article VI.”

Section 2.02 Copies of Documents

- (a) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(a) PWC will furnish to Contractor one (1) electronic copy of the Contract Documents in electronic portable document format (PDF). Additional printed copies will be furnished upon request at the cost of reproduction.

- (b) Delete this Paragraph in its entirety.

Section 2.03 Before Starting any Work

- (a)(iii) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(iii) a preliminary Schedule of Values for all of the Work which includes quantities and prices of items which when added together equal the Contract Price and subdivides the Work into component parts in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during performance of the Work. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work.”

Section 2.04 Preconstruction Conference; Designation of Authorized Representatives

- (a) In the first sentence, delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 2.05 Initial Acceptance of Schedules

- (a) In the first sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.
- (a) In the second sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “PWC”.
- (a) In the third sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “PWC”.
- (a) In the fourth sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.
- (b) In the first sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.

- (c) In the first sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.
- (c) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraph (d):

“(d) Contractor’s Schedule of Values will be acceptable to Project Engineer and Engineer as to form and substance if it provides a reasonable allocation of the Contract Price to component parts of the Work.”

Section 2.06 Electronic Transmittals

- (a) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(a) Unless otherwise stated in the Supplementary Conditions, the data furnished by Owner or Engineer to Contractor, or by Contractor to Owner or Engineer, that may be relied upon are limited to the printed copies (also known as hard copies). Files in electronic media format of text, data, graphics, or other types are furnished only for the convenience of the receiving party. Any conclusion or information obtained or derived from such electronic files will be at the user’s sole risk. If there is a discrepancy between the electronic files and the hard copies, the hard copies govern.”

Article III. Contract Documents: Intent, Requirements, Reuse

Section 3.01 Intent

- (c) Delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”. (d) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(d) Any labor, documentation, services, materials, or equipment that reasonably may be inferred from the Contract Documents or from prevailing custom or trade usage as being required to produce the indicated result shall be provided whether or not specifically called for, at no additional cost to PWC. It is the intent of the Specification and Contract Documents to obtain an operable Project. Equipment, components, systems, etc., therein shall be made operable by Contractor.”

- (e) Delete “ and (6) General Conditions” and replace with “(6) Supplementary Conditions; and (7) General Conditions.”

Section 3.03 Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies

- (a)(i) In the second sentence, in two places, add “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.
- (a)(ii) In two places add “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.

Section 3.04 Reuse of Documents

- (a)(i) In two places delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.
- (a)(ii) Delete “PWC’s” and replace with “PWC’s and Engineer’s”.

Article IV. Commencement and Progress of the Work

Section 4.02 Reference Points

- (a) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(a) Contract Documents shall provide engineering surveys to establish reference points for construction which in Engineer’s judgment are necessary to enable Contractor to proceed with the Work.”
- (b) In the first sentence, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.
- (b) In the second sentence, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 4.03 Progress Schedule

- (a) In the second sentence, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 4.04 Delays in Contractor’s Progress

- (a) Delete the text of this paragraph in its entirety and replace with the following:

“Where Contractor is prevented from completing any part of the Work within the Contract Times due to delay beyond the control of Contractor, the Contract Times will be extended in an amount equal to the time lost due to such delay if a claim is made therefor as provided in Paragraph 7.16. Delays beyond the control of Contractor shall include, but not be limited to, acts or neglect by Owner, acts or neglect of utility owners or other contractors performing other work, fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions, or acts of God.
- (c) After the text of this paragraph insert the following as new paragraphs:

“(d) Delays beyond the control of Contractor, as provided in paragraph 4.04(a), shall not entitle Contractor to obtain additional project overhead costs unless such delays extend the Project as described below:
 - (i) beyond the original Contract Times,
 - (ii) beyond the Contract Times for which the overhead costs have been previously approved, or
 - (iii) beyond Contract Times that are extended as a result of delays described in 12.03.C.

For the purpose of this paragraph, overhead costs shall be the supplemental costs defined in paragraph 15.01(a)(iv). Contractor's bid shall include all overhead costs as necessary to be on the Project for the original Contract Times.

(e) If Contractor is delayed in the performance or progress of the Work by fire, flood, epidemic, abnormal weather conditions, acts of God, acts or failures to act of utility owners not under the control of Owner, or other causes not the fault of and beyond control of Owner and Contractor, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Times, if such adjustment is essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times. Such an adjustment shall be Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy for the delays described in this Paragraph 4.04(e). Delays described in this Paragraph 4.04(e) due to abnormal weather conditions shall be determined as follows:

- (i) The weather conditions shown in the chart below can be reasonably anticipated and will not be considered abnormal.

Month	Number of days with 0.1 or more inches precipitation	Number of days on which the temperature is never above 32-degrees Fahrenheit
January	7	3
February	6	1
March	7	0
April	6	0
May	7	0
June	7	0
July	7	0
August	7	0
September	5	0
October	5	0
November	5	0
December	6	1

- (ii) For example, if Contractor submits a request to extend Contract Times on the sole basis of adverse weather conditions in January, and the factual records submitted show that the actual January in which Contractor worked had six (6) days on which the precipitation exceeded 0.1 inches, the extension of time will not be granted because the chart says that it is expected that there will be seven (7) days in January with at least that much rain. If the factual records show that the actual January in which Contractor worked had twelve (12) days on which the precipitation exceeded 0.1 inches, Contractor will not need to show that the precipitation was abnormal and could not have been reasonably anticipated but will still need to show the adverse effect on the scheduled construction. Unless

PWC agrees in writing otherwise, the weather conditions must be shown by use of data, submitted by Contractor, from either the National Weather Service (NWS) for Raleigh, N C or NWS readings from a location closer to the site than Raleigh, and not by use of weather readings on the Site or by Contractor. In order to request an extension of Contract Times for abnormal weather conditions the form must be submitted by the tenth (10th) day of the month after the month as to which the request is made. In order to make this request for Saturdays, Sundays, and PWC holidays, Contractor must have notified the Resident Project Representative by 3:30 PM, three (3) days in advance of the day of Contractor's intent to work on a specific Saturday, Sunday, or holiday. If the day on which the notice is to be given is a Saturday, Sunday, or PWC holiday, the notice shall be given by the first day before that Saturday, Sunday, or holiday that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or PWC holiday."

Article V. Availability of Lands; Subsurface and Physical Conditions; Hazardous Environmental Conditions

Section 5.03 Differing Subsurface of Physical Conditions or Underground Facilities

- (b) In the first sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (c) In the first sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

Section 5.04 Underground Utilities

- (a)(ii) In the first sentence, in two places, delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".
- (c)(ii) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (e) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (h) In the first sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".
- (h) In the second sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".
- (h) Fourth sentence, delete in its entirety and replace with the following text:

"Engineer and Project Engineer will promptly review the Underground Facility and determine the extent, if any, to which a change is required in the Contract Documents to reflect and document the consequences of the existence or location of the Underground Facility."
- (i) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(i) If Engineer and Project Manager conclude that a change in the Contract Documents is required, a Work Change Directive or a Change Order will be issued to reflect and document such consequences. An equitable adjustment shall be made in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that they are attributable to the existence or location of any Underground Facility that was not shown or indicated or not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy in the Contract Documents and that Contractor did not know of and could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of or to have anticipated. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any such adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, Owner or Contractor may make a claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 11.01.”

Section 5.05 Hazardous Environmental Conditions at Site

(c) In the first sentence, insert “and Engineer” following “Project Engineer”.

(c) Second and third sentences, replace both entirely with the following:

PWC shall promptly consult with Engineer concerning the necessity for PWC to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take corrective action, if any. Promptly after consulting with Engineer, PWC shall take such actions as it deems reasonably necessary to permit PWC to timely obtain required permits and provide Contractor the written notice required by Paragraph 5.05(d).

(e) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(e) If Owner and Contractor cannot agree as to entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, as a result of such Work stoppage or such special conditions under which Work is agreed to be resumed by Contractor, either party may make a claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 7.16.

Article VI. Bonds and Insurance

Section 6.02 Insurance

(c) After “PWC” insert the text “and Engineer”.

(g) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

“(h) An authorized representative of the insurance company(ies) shall provide a statement of correlation certifying that all of the required insurance coverages and amounts specified are provided by the submitted policies. The certification shall be signed by the authorized representatives of the insurance company(ies) and notarized. The authorized representative of the insurance company(ies) shall specifically indicate with the submittal which of the policies submitted fulfills

which specific coverage and amounts specified under Article 6.02 of the Supplementary Conditions. The certification statement and correlation shall be furnished and included with the insurance certificates.

(i) Subcontractors must, in all cases, provide Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance and Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance.

(j) All policies and certificates of insurance of Contractor shall contain the following clauses:

1. Insurers shall have no right of recovery or subrogation against the Owner and its agents and agencies, or the Engineer, it being the intention of the parties that the insurance policies so effected shall protect both parties and be primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above described insurance.
2. The clause "other insurance provisions" in a policy in which the Owner, its agents and agencies, and/or the Engineer is named as an insured, shall not apply to these parties.
3. The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies shall have no recourse against the Owner and its agents and agencies and the Engineer, for the payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.
4. Any and all deductibles in the above-described insurance policies shall be assumed by and be for the amount of, and at the sole risk of Contractor.

Article VII. Contractor's Responsibilities

Section 7.01 Supervision and Superintendence

(b) In two places, insert "and Engineer" following "Project Engineer".

(c) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(d) In second sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Engineer".

(e)(i)2) Delete "PWC" and replace with "Engineer".

(e) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

"(f) Safety Representative: Contractor shall designate a qualified and experienced safety representative at the Site whose duties and responsibilities shall be the prevention of accidents and the maintaining and supervising of safety precautions and programs.

(g) Hazard Communication Programs: Contractor shall be responsible for coordinating any exchange of material safety data sheets or other hazard communication information required to be made available to or exchanged between or among employers at the Site in accordance with Laws or Regulations.”

Section 7.04 "Or Equals"

(a) Second sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(a)(i) First sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(a)(i)1) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(c) First sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(c) Second sentence, delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(d) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(d) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

“(e) Substitute Items: If in Engineer’s sole discretion an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor does not qualify as an “or-equal” item under Paragraph 7.04(a) through 7.04(d), it will be considered a proposed substitute item.

(i) Contractor shall submit sufficient information as provided below to allow Engineer to determine if the item of material or equipment proposed is essentially equivalent to that named and an acceptable substitute therefor. Requests for review of proposed substitute items of material or equipment will not be accepted by Engineer from anyone other than Contractor.

(ii) Contractor shall make written application to Engineer for review of a proposed substitute item of material or equipment that Contractor seeks to furnish or use. The application shall certify that the proposed substitute item will: 1) perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design, 2) be similar in substance to that specified, and 3) be suited to the same use as that specified. Application will state: 1) the extent, if any, to which the use of the proposed substitute item will prejudice Contractor’s achievement of Substantial Completion on time, 2) whether use of the proposed substitute item in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner for other work on the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute item, and 3) whether incorporation or use of the proposed substitute item in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty. Application will identify: 1) all variations of the

proposed substitute item from that specified, and 2) available engineering, sales, maintenance, repair, and replacement services. Application shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs or credits that will result directly or indirectly from use of such substitute item, including costs of redesign and claims of other contractors affected by any resulting change.

(iii) Contractor shall submit sufficient information to allow Engineer, in Engineer's sole discretion, to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that expressly called for by the Contract Documents. The requirements for review by Engineer will be similar to those provided in Paragraph 7.04(a) through 7.04(d).

(iv) Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No "or equal" or substitute will be ordered, installed or utilized until Engineer's review is complete, which will be evidenced by a Change Order in the case of a substitute and an approved Shop Drawing for an "or equal." Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.

(v) Special Guarantee: Owner may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute.

(vi) Engineer's Cost Reimbursement: Engineer will record Engineer's costs in evaluating a substitute proposed or submitted by Contractor pursuant to Paragraph 7.04(e). Whether or not Engineer approves a substitute so proposed or submitted by Contractor, Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for evaluating each such proposed substitute. Contractor shall also reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for making changes in the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner) resulting from the acceptance of each proposed substitute.

(vii) Contractor's Expense: Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed substitute at Contractor's expense."

Section 7.05 Concerning Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Others

(i) Delete "PWC, except through Contractor" and replace with "PWC or Engineer, except through Contractor to Engineer".

(l)(i) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(l)(ii) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(l) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

"(m) The divisions and sections of the Specifications and the identifications of any Drawings shall not control Contractor in dividing the Work among

Subcontractors or Suppliers or delineating the Work to be performed by any specific trade.

(n) All work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to an appropriate agreement between Contractor and Subcontractor. The Subcontractor shall not commence work until Contractor has obtained all insurance as required by Article VI inclusive.”

Section 7.06 Patent Fees and Royalties

(a) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraph:

“(b) In addition to any other indemnity obligations under the Contract Documents, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless PWC and Engineer and anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of any infringement of patent rights or copyrights incident to the use in the performance of the Work or furnished by him in fulfillment of the requirements of this Contract. In the event of any claim or action by law on account of such patents or fees, it is agreed that the PWC may retain out of the monies which are or which may become due Contractor under this Contract, a sum of money sufficient to protect itself against loss, and to retain the same until said claims are paid or are satisfactorily adjusted.”

Section 7.07 Permits

(a) Last sentence, delete “Bid” and replace with “Bid, and Contractor shall pay all charges of utility owners for connections to the Work”.

Section 7.08 Taxes

(a) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

“(b) PROCEDURE FOR REPORTING NORTH CAROLINA SALES TAX EXPENDITURES: The following procedure in handling the North Carolina Sales Tax is applicable to this Project. Contractor shall comply fully with the requirements outlined hereinafter, in order that PWC may recover the amount of tax permitted under the law.

(c) BIDDER WILL NOT INCLUDE REFUNDABLE N.C. SALES TAX IN HIS LUMP SUM OR UNIT PRICES NAMED. Contractor will be reimbursed at the time each monthly estimate is paid for refundable N.C. Sales Tax paid during any preceding month. It shall be Contractor's responsibility to furnish the PWC documentary evidence showing the materials used and sales tax paid by Contractor and each of its Subcontractors with each payment request in a format approved by PWC.

(d) The documentary evidence shall consist of a certified statement, by Contractor and each of his Subcontractors individually, showing total purchases of materials from each separate vendor and total sales taxes charged to and paid by PWC. Certified statement must also show the invoice number, or numbers, covered and inclusive dates of such invoices. A certified statement is required even if no sales tax was paid for the applicable pay request period.

(e) Materials used from Contractor's or Subcontractor's warehouse stock shall be shown in a certified statement at warehouse stock prices to include the amount of County of Use Tax charged to and paid by PWC.

(f) Contractor shall also furnish to PWC invoices identifying the amount paid for the sales and use tax on services that are subject to such taxation under North Carolina law. Contractor shall not include any tax paid on supplies, tools, and equipment that Contractor or any Subcontractor uses to perform services.

(g) The documentary evidence to be furnished to PWC eligible for sales or use tax refunds covers sales and/or use taxes paid on building materials used by Contractors and Subcontractors in the performance of Contracts with churches, orphanages, hospitals not operated for profit and other charitable or religious institutions or organizations not operated for profit and, incorporated cities, towns, and counties in this State. The documentary evidence is to be submitted to the above-named institutions, organizations and governmental units to be included in claims for refunds to be prepared and submitted by them to obtain refunds provided by G.S. 105-164.14(2) and (3) of the 1961 Statute, and is to include the purchases of building materials, supplies, fixtures, and equipment which become a part of or annex to buildings or structures being erected, altered or repaired under Contracts with such institutions, organizations or governmental units.”

Section 7.09 Laws and Regulations

(c) After this Paragraph insert the following text as new Paragraph:

“(d) If Contractor observes that the Specifications or Drawings are at variance with any Laws or Regulations, he shall give PWC and Engineer prompt written notice thereof. If Contractor performs any Work knowing it to be contrary to such Laws or Regulations, and without such notice to PWC and Engineer, he shall bear all costs arising therefrom. Contractor shall, at all times, observe and comply with and shall cause all his agents and employees and all his Subcontractors to observe and comply with all such existing Laws or Regulations.”

Section 7.10 Record Documents

(a) Last sentence, delete “to PWC” and replace with “to Engineer and PWC”.

Section 7.11 Safety and Protection

(f) Replace in its entirety with the following:

“(f) Contractor’s duties and responsibilities for safety and for protection of the Work shall continue until such time as all the Work is completed and Engineer has issued a notice to PWC and Contractor in accordance with Paragraph 12.04 that the Work is acceptable (except as otherwise expressly provided in connection with Substantial Completion).”

Section 7.12 Emergencies

(a) Second sentence, after “PWC” insert “and Engineer”.

(a) Third sentence, after “PWC” insert “and Engineer”.

Section 7.13 Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals

(a) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c) Delete “to PWC” and replace with “to Engineer”.

(d) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(e) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(f) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(f) After “or procedures of construction” and insert the following text:

“(except where a particular means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure of construction is specifically and expressly called for by the Contract Documents)”

(g) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(h) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(j)(i) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(j)(i) Delete “PWC or Project”.

(j)(ii) Delete second sentence and replace with the following:

“After three (3) submittals of any item or if Contractor requests a change of a previously approved submittal item, Contractor shall be liable to PWC for

Engineer review time, and PWC may impose set-off against payment due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for Engineer's additional review time."

(j)(iii) Delete this Paragraph in its entirety.

Section 7.14 Contractor's General Warranty and Guarantee

(b)(i) after "Project Engineer" insert "or Engineer".

(b)(ii) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(b)(iii) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(b)(vi) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

Section 7.15 Indemnification

(a) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

(a) After "costs," insert "civil penalties, fines, losses, damages,".

Section 7.17 Delegation of Professional Design Services:

(b) After "PWC", insert "and Engineer".

(b) In the last sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Engineer".

(c) After "PWC" insert "and Engineer".

(d) Delete "PWC's, or its designee's," and replace with "PWC's, Engineer's and their designee's".

(e) Delete "PWC" and replace with "the Contract Documents".

Article VIII. PWC's Responsibilities

(a)(i) Delete "directly to Contractor or its designee" and replace with the following:
"to Contractor through Engineer".

(a) After this Paragraph and all of its subparts, insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

"(b) Engineer's Status During Construction

(iii) Owner's Representative: Engineer will be a representative of PWC during the construction period, and Engineer's instructions shall be carried into effect promptly and efficiently.

(ii) Visits to Site: Engineer's visits and observations are subject to all the limitations on Engineer's authority and responsibility set forth in Paragraph 9.09. Particularly, but without limitation, during or as a result of Engineer's visits or observations of Contractor's Work, Engineer will not supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work.

(iii) Project Representative:

1) Engineer will furnish a Resident Project Representative to assist Engineer in providing more extensive observation of the Work. The authority and responsibilities of any such Resident Project Representative and assistants will be as provided in the Supplementary Conditions, and limitations on the responsibilities thereof will be as provided in Paragraph 9.09. If Owner designates another representative or agent to represent Owner at the Site who is not Engineer's consultant, agent or employee, the responsibilities and authority and limitations thereon of such other individual or entity will be as provided in the Contract Documents.

2) The Resident Project Representative (RPR) will serve as the Engineer's liaison with Contractor, working principally through Contractor's resident superintendent to assist Contractor in understanding the intent of the Contract Documents.

3) RPR shall conduct on-site observations of the work in progress to confirm that the work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents. RPR will verify that tests, equipment and systems start-ups and operation and maintenance instructions are conducted as required by the Contract Documents. He or she will have the authority to disapprove or reject defective work in accordance with Article X.

(iv) Authorized Variations in Work: Engineer may authorize minor variations in the Work from the requirements of the Contract Documents which do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times and are compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. These may be accomplished by a Field Order and will be binding on Owner and also on Contractor, who shall perform the Work involved promptly. If Owner or Contractor believes that a Field Order justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, and the parties are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any such adjustment, a claim may be made therefor as provided in Paragraph 7.16.

(v) Rejecting Defective Work: Engineer will have authority to reject Work which Engineer believes to be defective, or that Engineer believes will not produce a completed Project that conforms to the Contract Documents or that will prejudice the integrity of the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. Engineer will also have authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work as provided in Paragraph 10.03, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.

(vi) Determinations for Unit Price Work: Engineer will determine the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor. Engineer will review with Contractor the Engineer's preliminary determinations on such matters before rendering a written decision thereon (by recommendation of an Application for Payment or otherwise). Engineer's written decision thereon will be final and binding (except as modified by Engineer to reflect changed factual conditions or more accurate data) upon Contractor, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 7.16.

(vii) Decisions on Requirements of Contract Documents and Acceptability of Work:

1) All matters in question and other matters between Owner and Contractor arising prior to the date final payment is due relating to the acceptability of the Work, and the interpretation of the engineering requirements of the Contract Documents pertaining to the performance of the Work, will be referred initially to Engineer in writing within 30 days of the event giving rise to the question.

2) Engineer will, with reasonable promptness, render a recommendation on the issue referred. Notwithstanding such recommendation, Owner and Contractor may pursue a claim under Paragraph 7.16.

(viii) Limitations on Engineer's Authority.

Contractor acknowledges and agrees that:

1) Engineer will not be obligated to Contractor (a) to supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or (b) for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Engineer will not be responsible to Contractor for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3) Engineer will not be responsible to Contractor for its acts or omissions or of those of any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or of any other individual or entity performing any of the Work.

4) the Resident Project Representative:

a) will not authorize Contractor to undertake any deviation from the Contract Documents or approve any substitute materials or equipment.

b) will not authorize Contractor to exceed limitations of Engineer's authority as set forth in the Contract Documents.

c) will not undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors or Contractor's superintendent, or expedite the Work.

d) will not advise Contractor on or issue directions relative to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction unless such is specifically called for in the Contract.

e) will not advise Contractor on or issue directions as to safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.

(ix) Compliance with Safety Program: While at the Site, Engineer's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable requirements of Contractor's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed."

Article IX. Amending the Contract Documents; Change in the Work

Section 9.01 Amending and Supplementing Contract Documents

(a)(iii) Delete "Project Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".

Section 9.04 Change of Contract Price: Delete the Paragraphs of this Section entirely and replace the following:

"(a) The Contract Price may only be changed by a Change Order. Any claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price shall be based on written notice submitted by the party making the claim in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 7.16.

(b) The value of any Work covered by a Change Order or of any claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price will be determined as follows:

(i) where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 15.03); or

(ii) where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, by a mutually agreed lump sum; or

(iii) where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents and agreement to a lump sum is not reached, on the

basis of the Cost of the Work (determined as provided in Paragraph 15.01) plus a Contractor's fee for overhead and profit (determined as provided in Paragraph 9.04.(c)).

(c) Contractor's Fee: Contractor's fee for overhead and profit shall be determined as follows:

(i) a mutually acceptable fixed fee; or

(ii) if a fixed fee is not agreed upon, then a fee based on the following percentages of the various portions of the Cost of the Work:

1) for costs incurred under Paragraphs 15.01.A.1 and 15.01.A.2, Contractor's fee shall be 15 percent;

2) for costs incurred under Paragraph 15.01.A.3, Contractor's fee shall be five percent;

3) where one or more tiers of subcontracts are on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee and no fixed fee is agreed upon, the intent of Paragraphs 9.04.(c)(i)1) and 9.04.(c)(i)2) is that the Subcontractor who actually performs the Work, at whatever tier, will be paid a fee of 15 percent of the costs incurred by such Subcontractor under Paragraphs 15.01.A.1 and 15.01.A.2 and that any higher tier Subcontractor and Contractor will each be paid a fee of five percent of the amount paid to the next lower tier Subcontractor;

4) no fee shall be payable on the basis of costs itemized under Paragraphs 15.01.A.4, 15.01.A.5, and 15.01.B;

5) the amount of credit to be allowed by Contractor to Owner for any change which results in a net decrease in cost will be the amount of the actual net decrease in cost plus a deduction in Contractor's fee by an amount equal to five percent of such net decrease; and

6) when both additions and credits are involved in any one change, the adjustment in Contractor's fee shall be computed on the basis of the net change in accordance with Paragraphs 9.04(c), inclusive."

Section 9.06 Change Proposals

(a) Delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".

(a)(i) First sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".

(a)(i) Second sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Project Engineer and Engineer".

(a)(iii) Delete the text of this paragraph.

Section 9.07 Execution of Change Orders

(a)(iii) Delete “Design Engineer’s” and replace with “Engineer”.

(b) Delete the text of this paragraph in its entirety and replace with the following:

“Changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times which is required to be executed under the terms of this Section; provided that, in lieu of executing any such Change Order, an appeal may be taken from any such decision in accordance with the provisions of the Contract Documents and applicable Laws and Regulations, but during any such appeal, Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the Progress Schedule. No Work shall be delayed or postponed pending resolution of any disputes or disagreements, except as permitted by Paragraph 13.04 or as Owner and Contractor may otherwise agree in writing.”

Article X. Tests, Inspections, and Approval; Correction, Removal or Acceptance of Defective Work

Section 10.01 Access to Work

(a) Following “Design Engineer,” insert “Engineer,”.

Section 10.02 Tests, Inspections, and Approvals

(a) Following “Project Engineer” insert “and Engineer”.

(f) First sentence, in two places, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 10.03 Defective Work

(b) Delete “its designee” and replace with “and Engineer”.

(c) After “PWC” insert “or Engineer”.

(d) After “PWC” insert “or Engineer”.

Section 10.04 Acceptance of Defective Work

(a) Delete “Design Engineer’s” and replace with “Engineer’s”.

(b) Delete “by PWC” and replace with “by Project Engineer and Engineer”.

Section 10.05 Uncovering Work

- (c) Delete “If PWC” and replace with “If Project Engineer or Engineer”.
- (c) Delete “by PWC” and replace with “by Project Engineer or Engineer”.
- (c) Delete “as PWC” and replace with “as Project Engineer or Engineer”.

Article XI. Claims:

Section 11.01 Claims Process

- (a)(i) Delete “Design Engineer’s” and replace with “Engineer’s”.
- (a)(iii) Delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 11.04 Dispute Resolution

- (a) Delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Project Engineer, Engineer,”.

Article XII. Payments to Contractor; Set-Offs; Completion; Correction Period

Section 12.01 Progress Payments

- (a) Following “Project Engineer” insert “and Engineer”.
- (a) After this Paragraph and all of its subparts, insert the following text as new Paragraphs under (a):

“(i) Contractor shall submit for Project Manager’s and Engineer’s approval, a complete breakdown of all Lump Sum Items in the Proposal. This breakdown, modified as directed by the Engineer, will be used as a basis for preparing estimates and establishing progress payments.

(ii) A Lump Sum Payment equal to 1-1/2% of the total Bid Price (to include all bonds, insurance, move-on expenses, etc.) will be allowed for ‘mobilization’ as a progress payment line item. The actual cost of bonds and insurance (up to the maximum payment of 1-1/2%) will be considered in the initial payment request provided that cost documentation suitable to Project Manager and Engineer is furnished by Contractor. Any outstanding balance of the mobilization line item will be payable when the Project work is 10% complete as indicated by the approved progress payments (less cost of mobilization and stored equipment).”

- (b)(i) Following “Project Engineer” insert “and Engineer”.
- (b)(iii) After this Paragraph and all of its subparts, insert the following text as new Paragraphs:

“(iv) At the sole option of the PWC, partial payment up to the estimated value, less retainage, may be allowed for any materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work, pursuant to the following conditions:

- 1) Major equipment items stored off site shall be stored in a bonded warehouse and properly maintained during storage.
- 2) Equipment or materials stored on the site shall be properly stored, protected and maintained.
- 3) For any partial payment Contractor shall submit, with his monthly progress payment from each material or equipment manufacturer, bills or invoices indicating actual material cost.
- 4) Contractor shall submit evidence that he has paid for materials or equipment stored and for which the Engineer has authorized partial payment and previous progress payments, prior to submission of the next monthly payment request.

(c)(i) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(ii) In three places, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(ii)3) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(iii) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(iii)1) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(iv) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(iv) In three places, delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(c)(v) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(d) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(d)(v) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(e)(i) Delete “Project Engineer’s” and replace with “Engineer’s”.

(f)(i) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

(f)(ii) Delete “Project Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

Section 12.02 Substantial Completion

(a) Delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

- (b) Delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (b) Second sentence, in two places, delete "PWC" and replace with "Engineer".
- (b) Last sentence, delete "PWC" and replace with "Engineer".
- (c) First sentence, in two places, delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (c) Second sentence, delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (c) Third sentence, delete "Design Engineer" and replace with "Engineer".
- (c) Fourth sentence, delete "PWC concludes" and replace with "Engineer concludes".
- (c) Fourth sentence, delete "PWC will" and replace with "Engineer will".
- (e) Delete "by PWC" and replace with "by Engineer".

Section 12.03 Partial Use of Occupancy: delete the text of this Section in its entirety and replace with the following:

"(a) Prior to Substantial Completion of the Project, PWC may request Contractor in writing to permit it to use a specified part of the Project which he believes he may use without significant interference with construction of the other parts of the Project. If Contractor agrees, it will certify to PWC and Engineer that said part of the Project is substantially complete and request the Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Project. Within a reasonable time thereafter, PWC, Contractor and Engineer shall make an inspection of that part of the Project to determine its status of completion. If Engineer and PWC do not consider that it is substantially complete, Engineer will notify Contractor in writing giving his reasons therefor. If Engineer and PWC consider that part of the Project to be substantially complete, Engineer will execute and deliver to PWC and Contractor a certificate to that effect, fixing the date of Substantial Completion as to that part of the Project, attaching thereto a tentative list of items to be completed or corrected before Substantial Completion of the entire Project and fixing the responsibility between PWC and Contractor for Maintenance, heat, and utilities as to that part of the Project. PWC shall have the right to exclude Contractor from any part of the Project which Engineer has so certified to be substantially complete, but PWC shall allow Contractor reasonable access to complete items on the tentative list."

Section 12.04 Final Inspection

- (a) Delete “PWC will promptly make a final inspection with Project Manager, Design Engineer” and replace with “PWC and Engineer will make a final inspection within 14 days”.

Section 12.05 Final Payment

- (a)(i) Delete “of PWC” and replace with “of Engineer”.
- (a)(iii) In six places, delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.
- (a)(iv) In two places, delete “Design Engineer” and replace with “Engineer”.

A new Article XV is added which reads as follows:

“Article XV. Cost of the Work; Allowances; Unit Price Work

Section 15.01 Cost of the Work

- (a) Costs Included: The term Cost of the Work means the sum of all costs, except those excluded in Paragraph 15.01(b), necessarily incurred and paid by Contractor in the proper performance of the Work. When the value of any Work covered by a Change Order or when a claim for an adjustment in Contract Price is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, the costs to be reimbursed to Contractor will be only those additional or incremental costs required because of the change in the Work or because of the event giving rise to the claim. Except as otherwise may be agreed to in writing by Owner, such costs shall be in amounts no higher than those prevailing in the locality of the Project, shall not include any of the costs itemized in Paragraph 15.01(b), or claims for extra cost shall be considered based on an escalation of labor costs throughout the period the Contract, and shall include only the following items:
 - (i) Payroll costs for employees in the direct employ of Contractor in the performance of the Work under schedules of job classifications agreed upon by Owner and Contractor. Such employees shall include, without limitation, superintendents, foremen, and other personnel employed full time on the Work. Payroll costs for employees not employed full time on the Work shall be apportioned on the basis of their time spent on the Work. Payroll costs shall include, but not be limited to, salaries and wages plus the cost of fringe benefits, which shall include social security contributions, unemployment, excise, and payroll taxes, workers’ compensation, health and retirement benefits, bonuses, sick leave, vacation and holiday pay applicable thereto. The expenses of performing Work outside of regular working hours, on Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays, shall be included in the above to the extent authorized by Owner.

- (ii) Cost of all materials and equipment furnished and incorporated in the Work, including costs of transportation and storage thereof, and Suppliers' field services required in connection therewith. All cash discounts shall accrue to Contractor unless Owner deposits funds with Contractor with which to make payments, in which case the cash discounts shall accrue to Owner. All trade discounts, rebates and refunds and returns from sale of surplus materials and equipment shall accrue to Owner, and Contractor shall make provisions so that they may be obtained. No claims for extra cost shall be considered based on an escalation of material costs throughout the period of the Contract.
- (iii) Payments made by Contractor to Subcontractors for Work performed by Subcontractors. If any subcontract provides that the Subcontractor is to be paid on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee, the Subcontractor's Cost of the Work and fee shall be determined in the same manner as Contractor's Cost of the Work and fee as provided in this Paragraph 15.01.
- (iv) Supplemental costs including the following:
 - 1) Cost, including transportation and maintenance, of all materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, appliances, office, and temporary facilities at the Site, and hand tools not owned by the workers, which are consumed in the performance of the Work, and cost, less market value, of such items used but not consumed which remain the property of Contractor.
 - 2) Rentals of all construction equipment and machinery, and the parts thereof whether rented from Contractor or others in accordance with rental agreements approved by Owner with the advice of Engineer, and the costs of transportation, loading, unloading, assembly, dismantling, and removal thereof. All such costs shall be in accordance with the terms of said rental agreements. The rental of any such equipment, machinery, or parts shall cease when the use thereof is no longer necessary for the Work. These rates shall include all fuel, lubricants, insurance, etc. Equipment rental charges shall not exceed the prorated monthly rental rates listed in the current edition of the 'Compilation' of Rental Rates for Construction Equipment" as published by the Associated Equipment Distributors. Charges per hour shall be determined by dividing the monthly rates by 176.
 - 3) Sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes related to the Work, and for which Contractor is liable, as imposed by Laws and Regulations.
 - 4) Deposits lost for causes other than negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, and royalty payments and fees for permits and licenses.
 - 5) The costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance Contractor is required by the Contract Documents to purchase and maintain.

(b) Costs Excluded: The term Cost of the Work shall not include any of the following items:

- (i) Payroll costs and other compensation of Contractor's officers, executives, principals (of partnerships and sole proprietorships), general managers, safety managers, engineers, architects, estimators, attorneys, auditors, accountants, purchasing and contracting agents, expeditors, timekeepers, clerks, and other personnel employed by Contractor, whether at the Site or in Contractor's principal or branch office for general administration of the Work and not specifically included in the agreed upon schedule of job classifications referred to in Paragraph 15.01(a)(i) or specifically covered by Paragraph 15.01(a)(iv), all of which are to be considered administrative costs covered by Contractor's fee.
- (ii) Expenses of Contractor's principal and branch offices other than Contractor's office at the Site.
- (iii) Any part of Contractor's capital expenses, including interest on Contractor's capital employed for the Work and charges against Contractor for delinquent payments.
- (iv) Costs due to the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, including but not limited to, the correction of defective Work, disposal of materials or equipment wrongly supplied, and making good any damage to property.
- (v) Other overhead or general expense costs of any kind and the costs of any item not specifically and expressly included in Paragraphs 15.01(a).
- (vi) Costs of special consultants (including but not limited to engineers, architects, testing laboratories, surveyors, attorneys, and accountants) employed for services specifically related to the Work.
- (vii) Losses and damages (and related expenses) caused by damage to the Work, not compensated by insurance or otherwise, sustained by Contractor in connection with the performance of the Work (except losses and damages within the deductible amounts of property insurance established in accordance with Paragraph 6.02), provided such losses and damages have resulted from causes other than the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable. Such losses shall include settlements made with the written consent and approval of Owner. No such losses, damages, and expenses shall be included in the Cost of the Work for the purpose of determining Contractor's fee.
- (viii) The cost of utilities, fuel, and sanitary facilities at the Site.

- (ix) Minor expenses such as land line or cellular telephone calls, internet service at the Site, express and courier services, and similar petty cash items in connection with the Work.
 - (x) The proportion of necessary transportation, travel, and subsistence expenses of Contractor's employees incurred in discharge of duties connected with the Work.
- (c) Contractor's Fee: When all the Work is performed on the basis of cost-plus, Contractor's fee shall be determined as set forth in the Agreement. When the value of any Work covered by a Change Order or when a claim for an adjustment in Contract Price is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, Contractor's fee shall be determined as set forth in Paragraph 9.04(c).
- (d) Documentation: Whenever the Cost of the Work for any purpose is to be determined pursuant to Paragraphs 15.01(a) and 15.01(b), Contractor will establish and maintain records thereof in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and submit in a form acceptable to PWC and Engineer an itemized cost breakdown together with supporting data.

Section 15.02 Allowances

- (a) It is understood that Contractor has included in the Contract Price all allowances so named in the Contract Documents and shall cause the Work so covered to be performed for such sums and by such persons or entities as may be acceptable to Owner and Engineer.
- (b) Cash Allowances: Contractor agrees that:
- (i) the cash allowances include the cost to Contractor (less any applicable trade discounts) of materials and equipment required by the allowances to be delivered at the Site, and all applicable taxes; and
 - (ii) Contractor's costs for unloading and handling on the Site, labor, installation, overhead, profit, and other expenses contemplated for the cash allowances have been included in the Contract Price and not in the allowances, and no demand for additional payment on account of any of the foregoing will be valid.
- (c) Contingency Allowance: Contractor agrees that a contingency allowance, if any, is for the sole use of Owner to cover unanticipated costs.
- (d) Prior to final payment, an appropriate Change Order will be issued to reflect actual amounts due Contractor on account of Work covered by allowances, and the Contract Price shall be correspondingly adjusted.

Section 15.03 Unit Price Work

- (a) Where the Contract Documents provide that all or part of the Work is to be Unit Price Work, initially the Contract Price will be deemed to include for all Unit Price Work an amount equal to the sum of the unit price for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work times the estimated quantity of each item as indicated in the Agreement.
- (b) The estimated quantities of items of Unit Price Work are not guaranteed and are solely for the purpose of comparison of Bids and determining an initial Contract Price. Determinations of the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor will be made by Engineer subject to the provisions of Article VIII, Limitations on Engineer's Authority and Responsibilities.
- (c) Each unit price will be deemed to include an amount considered by Contractor to be adequate to cover Contractor's overhead and profit for each separately identified item.

END OF SECTION

NC Division of Water Infrastructure MBE/WBE (DBE) Compliance Supplement Instructions

(This package combines the various aspects of State of NC HUB program requirements and Federal DBE requirements into a single compliance supplement in order to eliminate redundancy and ambiguity)

Item	What to do with it
Good Faith Efforts Form	Provided by all bidders to be responsive Only low bidder's form is submitted to the State
Table A (Summary of firms on job)	Provided by all bidders to be responsive Only low bidder's form is submitted to the State
Table B (per item being subbed)	Provided by low bidder if SRF project or SRP/SEL* that obtains less than 10% M/WBE utilization (see page 2)
Provide documentation of anything you did that is mentioned later in this supplement	- Proof of trade paper advertisement - Printouts of DBE sources used - Solicitation emails and/or letters
Additional Forms for SRF Projects (these forms are currently not applicable)	
6100-3 (per M/WBE firm)	Provided by low bidder if SRF project
6100-2	Distributed to M/WBE firms if SRF project
Subs submit concerns on 6100-2 forms to:	Michael Pigram Region 4, Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

NOTES on this Compliance Supplement

Verifiable Goals

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| EPA MBE/WBE participation goals: | MBE 10.9% |
| | WBE 10.4% |

These are goals that the State reports against and are not quotas. *The good faith efforts must be adhered to and all forms provided regardless of what percentage utilization is achieved.*

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| State of NC MBE/WBE participation goal: | 10% (combined) |
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Table B is not required for SRP and SEL projects if you achieve 10% utilization.

DBE (MBE or WBE) Certification

In order for a firm to count towards the goals, a firm must be properly certified. Table A and Table B both provide spaces to note who certified the firm. The North Carolina Department of Administration and North Carolina Department of Transportation are the most common certifications we see listed. Division of Water Infrastructure staff verify all certifications listed.

For SRF projects, please note the EPA’s six Good Faith Efforts found in 40 CFR 33

Filling out the Good Faith Efforts Form and providing Table B (if subcontracting is achieved) constitutes compliance with EPA’s six good faith efforts.

- (1) Ensure MBE/WBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include placing MBE/WBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
- (2) Make information of forthcoming opportunities available to MBE/WBEs and arrange time for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
- (3) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with MBE/WBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities in order to increase opportunities for participation by MBE/WBEs in the competitive process.
- (4) Encourage contracting with a consortium of MBE/WBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- (5) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the MBDA.
- (6) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in subparagraphs (1)-(5) of this section.

Pertinent State of North Carolina Administrative Code Regarding M/WBE Compliance. The provisions in this Compliance Supplement constitute compliance with the Rules below.

Owner Requirements	01 NCAC 30I .0306
Contractor Requirements	01 NCAC 30I .0308

Resources

Some sources for identifying MBE/WBE (DBE) firms

- <https://www.ips.state.nc.us/vendor/SearchVendor.aspx> (NCDOA)
- <https://www.ebs.nc.gov/VendorDirectory/default.html> (NCDOT)
- http://dsbs.sba.gov/dsbs/search/dsp_dsbs.cfm (US SBA)

Some sources for finding minority trade papers for potential solicitation advertisements and Federal advertising options

- <http://web.sba.gov/subnet/> (US SBA Subnet advertising website)
- <https://www.mbda.gov/> (US Dept. of Commerce)
- <https://ncadmin.nc.gov/businesses/hub> (NC HUB Office)

Good Faith Efforts Form

Attempts to provide subcontracting opportunities for MBE/WBE firms.

Per 01 NCAC 30I .0101, 50 points must be claimed below by the bidder.

(This is identical to State of NC Affidavit A)

- 1 – (10 pts)** Contacted minority businesses that reasonably could have been expected to submit a quote and that were known to the contractor, or available on State or local government maintained lists, at least 10 days before the bid date and notified them of the nature and scope of the work to be performed.
- 2 --(10 pts)** Made the construction plans, specifications and requirements available for review by prospective minority businesses, or providing these documents to them at least 10 days before the bids are due.
- 3 – (15 pts)** Broken down or combined elements of work into economically feasible units to facilitate minority participation.
- 4 – (10 pts)** Worked with minority trade, community, or contractor organizations identified by the Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses and included in the bid documents that provide assistance in recruitment of minority businesses.
- 5 – (10 pts)** Attended prebid meetings scheduled by the public owner.
- 6 – (20 pts)** Provided assistance in getting required bonding or insurance or provided alternatives to bonding or insurance for subcontractors.
- 7 – (15 pts)** Negotiated in good faith with interested minority businesses and did not reject them as unqualified without sound reasons based on their capabilities. Any rejection of a minority business based on lack of qualification should have the reasons documented in writing.
- 8 – (25 pts)** Provided assistance to an otherwise qualified minority business in need of equipment, loan capital, lines of credit, or joint pay agreements to secure loans, supplies, or letters of credit, including waiving credit that is ordinarily required. Assisted minority businesses in obtaining the same unit pricing with the bidder's suppliers in order to help minority businesses in establishing credit.
- 9 – (20 pts)** Negotiated joint venture and partnership arrangements with minority businesses in order to increase opportunities for minority business participation on a public construction or repair project when possible.
- 10 - (20 pts)** Provided quick pay agreements and policies to enable minority contractors and suppliers to meet cash-flow demands.

Results of Good Faith Efforts Undertaken (you must check one box below)

- No subcontractors are being used for this contracted work. Fill out Table A listing only the Prime Contractor. (This statement takes the place of State of NC Affidavit B)
- Subcontractors are being used. Fill out Table A and B for each trade. **Each Table B lists 3.**
- Subcontractors are being used. If any Table B has fewer than 3 solicitations you must also advertise in an M/WBE trade paper and indicate what source of M/WBE firms you used (must list at least one). Some possible papers and sources of M/WBE firms are listed in the Instructions of this Supplement.

Name of the Trade Paper: _____

Submit proof of advertisement with package

M/WBE Sources: Source: _____ Source: _____

Submit printouts from M/WBE source(s)

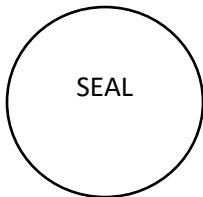
Certification Statement and Affidavit of Contractor.

The below affidavit constitutes compliance with 01NCAC 30I .0308(7)(a) and (b) and takes the place of State of North Carolina Affidavits C and D.

I have read the information in this compliance supplement and all information provided to the State in this package is accurate and true to the extent of my knowledge including the calculated percentages and the good faith efforts presented herein.

Prime Contractor Company Name (Print)

Prime Contractor Representative (Sign & Date)



State of _____, County of _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20____

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires _____

Applicant Name (Print)

Applicant Authorized Representative (Sign & Date)

Division of Water Infrastructure Project Number

Table A: Prime Contractor and list of selected subcontractors

List Prime and ALL of the selected subcontractors (both DBE's and non-DBE's) being used on the project. Each Trade listed on this sheet should have a completed Table B: Subcontract Solicitation List showing the DBE firms contacted and given opportunities to bid.

Company Name (list prime first then subs)	Company Address and Phone	Trade (Above) and Price (Below)	MBE or WBE and certifying agency <u>if applicable</u>	(State use only) Listed in EPLS as Debarred?
		\$		
		\$		
		\$		
		\$		

Calculate M/WBE utilization as a percent (00.00%) of the prime contract. Limited to 100% even if the Prime is a DBE.

MBE and WBE subs total	\$	_____ %
Prime Contract Price	\$	

Note: Table A substitutes for both the State of NC "Identification of Minority Participation" form and EPA Form 6100-4.

Table B: Subcontract Solicitation List

Table B is required if:

- 1) Project is Federally funded (**SRF**) OR;
- 2) Project is a State Reserve Project or State Emergency Loan (**SRP or SEL**) and Utilization % on Table A is less than 10%
- 3)

Trade: _____ (enter the trade being solicited, paving, hauling etc.)

List the firm being used on the project first. If three MBE or WBE firms are not listed, additional information must be provided showing advertisements and sources used to identify MBE/WBE subs.

Use as many of these sheets as are necessary to cover every trade being subbed out.

Company Name	Company Address and Phone	MBE or WBE and certifying agency if applicable.	How was this firm contacted (email, letter, phone) and what was the result of the solicitation?*

*Must submit copies of emails or letters. If phone calls were made this sheet can serve as documentation of calls.

MBE/WBE (DBE) – Change or Add a Subcontractor Form

According to EPA guidance on 40 CFR 33.302

If a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under the subcontract for any reason, the recipient must require the prime contractor to employ the six good faith efforts described in §33.301 if soliciting a replacement subcontractor.

Please provide the information below **if the subcontracted work in question was included in previously submitted good faith efforts documentation:**

Prime Contractor:

Subcontracted work:

Previous Subcontractor:

Reason this firm did not complete the work:

New subcontractor and DBE status:

MBE

WBE

N/A

If this is a new trade being subcontracted, or was not documented in the original Project Bid Information submittal to the State then good faith efforts to solicit a DBE firm must be documented. As the original DBE instructions indicate, please provide a Table B from those original instructions, showing all the DBE firms contacted to perform this work. If three (3) firms are not listed on Table B, then additionally you must submit proof of an advertisement in a minority trade paper and evidence that there were not three reasonably available firms in the work area. The EPA provides in 33.301(a) that good faith efforts are to be carried out "...to the fullest extent practicable...". If solicitations were not carried out due to being impracticable, please attach this explanation to this form.

Please follow the steps below for new subcontracted work:

Indicate the new trade being subcontracted:

Indicate the firm being used and DBE status:

MBE

WBE

N/A

Attach Table B

(For State Use) Is this sub debarred?

Yes

No

Project Owner/Applicant:

Project Number:

Signature of Prime Contractor's Representative

Davis-Bacon Instructions for SRF Projects

To be included in the Contract Documents:

- The entire contents of 29 CFR 5.5
- The appropriate wage determination (usually Heavy). This determination must be the most current and have been in effect at least 10 days prior to bid opening. If a wage determination for the project location is not available, then the Statewide wage determination may be used. If it takes longer than 90 days to execute contracts and the wage determination changes, then the new wage rates must be incorporated into the contract. Wage Determinations can be found at:
https://beta.sam.gov/search?index=wd&is_active=true&date_filter_index=0&date_rad_selection=date&wdType=dbra&page=1

During Construction:

- Post the Davis-Bacon Poster
<https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/legacy/files/fedprojc.pdf>
- Post the appropriate wage rates. These should be the ones included in the specifications and any new classifications approved by the Department of Labor.
- Weekly payrolls are to be maintained onsite for all subject contractors and subcontractors. Number them for each week of the construction period including weeks that do not have payroll. Form WH 347 is suggested. Do not submit these to the State SRF office, submit them to the municipality for review. Link to Form WH 347 -
<https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/legacy/files/wh347.pdf>
- The municipality will conduct interviews with employees when there are irregularities concerning wages being paid. Use Standard Form 1445.
- For additional wage classification approvals, complete form SF 1444 found at this link:
https://www.nps.gov/dscw/upload/sf1444-classificationrateauthorizationrequest_7-14-06.pdf
Email this form to: whd-cbaconformance_incoming@dol.gov

The entire contents of this package is:

- 1) These Instructions
- 2) 29 CFR 5.5
- 3) Davis-Bacon Poster
- 4) Payroll form WH 347

29 CFR §5.5 Contract provisions and related matters.

(a) The Agency head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert in full in any contract in excess of \$2,000 which is entered into for the actual construction, alteration and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of a public building or public work, or building or work financed in whole or in part from Federal funds or in accordance with guarantees of a Federal agency or financed from funds obtained by pledge of any contract of a Federal agency to make a loan, grant or annual contribution (except where a different meaning is expressly indicated), and which is subject to the labor standards provisions of any of the acts listed in §5.1, the following clauses (or any modifications thereof to meet the particular needs of the agency, *Provided*, That such modifications are first approved by the Department of Labor):

(1) *Minimum wages.* (i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in §5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: *Provided*, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

(ii)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

(1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(B) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by

the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

(iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

(iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, *Provided*, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

(2) *Withholding.* The (write in name of Federal Agency or the loan or grant recipient) shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), all or part of the wages required by the contract, the (Agency) may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

(3) *Payrolls and basic records.* (i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937, or under the Housing Act of 1949, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show

that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

(ii)(A) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant, sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the (write in name of agency). The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm> or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit them to the applicant, sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the (write in name of agency), the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the sponsoring government agency (or the applicant, sponsor, or owner).

(B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under §5.5(a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under §5.5(a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;

(2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;

(3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section.

(D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.

(iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the (write the name of the agency) or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

(4) *Apprentices and trainees*—(i) *Apprentices*. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(ii) *Trainees*. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In

addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(iii) *Equal employment opportunity.* The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

(5) *Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.* The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

(6) *Subcontracts.* The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the (write in the name of the Federal agency) may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

(7) *Contract termination: debarment.* A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

(8) *Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements.* All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

(9) *Disputes concerning labor standards.* Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

(10) *Certification of eligibility.* (i) By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(b) *Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.* The Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section in full in any contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by §5.5(a) or §4.6 of part 4 of this title. As used in this paragraph, the terms *laborers* and *mechanics* include watchmen and guards.

(1) *Overtime requirements.* No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) *Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.* In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) *Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.* The (write in the name of the Federal agency or the loan or grant recipient) shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.

(4) *Subcontracts.* The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

(c) In addition to the clauses contained in paragraph (b), in any contract subject only to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and not to any of the other statutes cited in §5.1, the Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert a clause requiring that the contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Further, the Agency Head shall cause or require the contracting officer to insert in any such contract a clause providing that the records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the (write the name of agency) and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE DAVIS-BACON ACT

FOR LABORERS AND MECHANICS EMPLOYED ON FEDERAL OR FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

PREVAILING WAGES

You must be paid not less than the wage rate listed in the Davis-Bacon Wage Decision posted with this Notice for the work you perform.

OVERTIME

You must be paid not less than one and one-half times your basic rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a work week. There are few exceptions.

ENFORCEMENT

Contract payments can be withheld to ensure workers receive wages and overtime pay due, and liquidated damages may apply if overtime pay requirements are not met. Davis-Bacon contract clauses allow contract termination and debarment of contractors from future federal contracts for up to three years. A contractor who falsifies certified payroll records or induces wage kickbacks may be subject to civil or criminal prosecution, fines and/or imprisonment.

APPRENTICES

Apprentice rates apply only to apprentices properly registered under approved Federal or State apprenticeship programs.

PROPER PAY

If you do not receive proper pay, or require further information on the applicable wages, contact the Contracting Officer listed below:

or contact the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division.



For additional information:

1-866-4-USWAGE
(1-866-487-9243) TTY: 1-877-889-5627



WWW.WAGEHOUR.DOL.GOV

DERECHOS DEL EMPLEADO BAJO LA LEY DAVIS-BACON

PARA OBREROS Y MECÁNICOS EMPLEADOS EN PROYECTOS DE CONSTRUCCIÓN FEDERAL O CON ASISTENCIA FEDERAL

LA SECCIÓN DE HORAS Y SUELDOS DEL DEPARTAMENTO DE TRABAJO DE EEUU

SALARIOS PREVALECIENTES

No se le puede pagar menos de la tasa de pago indicada en la Decisión de Salarios Davis-Bacon fijada con este Aviso para el trabajo que Ud. desempeña.

SOBRETIEMPO

Se le ha de pagar no menos de tiempo y medio de su tasa básica de pago por todas las horas trabajadas en exceso de 40 en una semana laboral. Existen pocas excepciones.

CUMPLIMIENTO

Se pueden retener pagos por contratos para asegurarse que los obreros reciban los salarios y el pago de sobretiempo debidos, y se podría aplicar daños y perjuicios si no se cumple con las exigencias del pago de sobretiempo. Las cláusulas contractuales de Davis-Bacon permiten la terminación y exclusión de contratistas para efectuar futuros contratos federales hasta tres años. El contratista que falsifique los registros certificados de las nóminas de pago o induzca devoluciones de salarios puede ser sujeto a procesamiento civil o criminal, multas y/o encarcelamiento.

APRENDICES

Las tasas de aprendices sólo se aplican a aprendices correctamente inscritos bajo programas federales o estatales aprobados.

PAGO APROPIADO

Si Ud. no recibe el pago apropiado, o precisa de información adicional sobre los salarios aplicables, póngase en contacto con el Contratista Oficial que aparece abajo:

o póngase en contacto con la Sección de Horas y Sueldos del Departamento de Trabajo de EEUU.



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PAYROLL

(For Contractor's Optional Use; See Instructions at www.dol.gov/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm)



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Persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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Expires: 01/31/2015

NAME OF CONTRACTOR		OR SUBCONTRACTOR		ADDRESS																							
PAYROLL NO.		FOR WEEK ENDING		PROJECT AND LOCATION								PROJECT OR CONTRACT NO.															
(1) NAME AND INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING NUMBER (e.g., LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER) OF WORKER	(2) NO. OF WITHHOLDING EXEMPTIONS	(3) WORK CLASSIFICATION	OT OR ST.	(4) DAY AND DATE							(5) TOTAL HOURS	(6) RATE OF PAY	(7) GROSS AMOUNT EARNED	(8) DEDUCTIONS					(9) NET WAGES PAID FOR WEEK								
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While completion of Form WH-347 is optional, it is mandatory for covered contractors and subcontractors performing work on Federally financed or assisted construction contracts to respond to the information collection contained in 29 C.F.R. §§ 3.3, 5.5(a). The Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145) contractors and subcontractors performing work on Federally financed or assisted construction contracts to "furnish weekly a statement with respect to the wages paid each employee during the preceding week." U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) regulations at 29 C.F.R. § 5.5(a)(3)(ii) require contractors to submit weekly a copy of all payrolls to the Federal agency contracting for or financing the construction project, accompanied by a signed "Statement of Compliance" indicating that the payrolls are correct and complete and that each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the proper Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rate for the work performed. DOL and federal contracting agencies receiving this information review the information to determine that employees have received legally required wages and fringe benefits.

Public Burden Statement

We estimate that it will take an average of 55 minutes to complete this collection, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden, send them to the Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S3502, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20210

Date _____

I, _____
 (Name of Signatory Party) (Title)

do hereby state:

(1) That I pay or supervise the payment of the persons employed by

_____ on the
 (Contractor or Subcontractor)

_____;
 (Building or Work)

_____ day of _____, _____, and ending the _____ day of _____, _____,
 all persons employed on said project have been paid the full weekly wages earned, that no rebates have
 been or will be made either directly or indirectly to or on behalf of said

_____ from the full
 (Contractor or Subcontractor)

weekly wages earned by any person and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly
 from the full wages earned by any person, other than permissible deductions as defined in Regulations, Part
 3 (29 C.F.R. Subtitle A), issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act, as amended (48 Stat. 948,
 63 Stat. 108, 72 Stat. 967; 76 Stat. 357; 40 U.S.C. § 3145), and described below:

(2) That any payrolls otherwise under this contract required to be submitted for the above period are
 correct and complete; that the wage rates for laborers or mechanics contained therein are not less than the
 applicable wage rates contained in any wage determination incorporated into the contract; that the classifications
 set forth therein for each laborer or mechanic conform with the work he performed.

(3) That any apprentices employed in the above period are duly registered in a bona fide apprenticeship
 program registered with a State apprenticeship agency recognized by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and
 Training, United States Department of Labor, or if no such recognized agency exists in a State, are registered
 with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, United States Department of Labor.

(4) That:

(a) WHERE FRINGE BENEFITS ARE PAID TO APPROVED PLANS, FUNDS, OR PROGRAMS

— in addition to the basic hourly wage rates paid to each laborer or mechanic listed in
 the above referenced payroll, payments of fringe benefits as listed in the contract
 have been or will be made to appropriate programs for the benefit of such employees,
 except as noted in section 4(c) below.

(b) WHERE FRINGE BENEFITS ARE PAID IN CASH

— Each laborer or mechanic listed in the above referenced payroll has been paid,
 as indicated on the payroll, an amount not less than the sum of the applicable
 basic hourly wage rate plus the amount of the required fringe benefits as listed
 in the contract, except as noted in section 4(c) below.

(c) EXCEPTIONS

EXCEPTION (CRAFT)	EXPLANATION

REMARKS:

NAME AND TITLE	SIGNATURE
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THE WILLFUL FALSIFICATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE STATEMENTS MAY SUBJECT THE CONTRACTOR OR
 SUBCONTRACTOR TO CIVIL OR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION. SEE SECTION 1001 OF TITLE 18 AND SECTION 231 OF TITLE
 31 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

"General Decision Number: NC20230025 04/21/2023

Superseded General Decision Number: NC20220025

State: North Carolina

Construction Type: Building

County: Cumberland County in North Carolina.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories).

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$16.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2023.
If the contract was awarded on or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 13658 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$12.15 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2023.

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the

Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts>.

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CARP0312-001 10/01/2020

	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER, Excludes Drywall Hanging, and Form Work.....	\$ 29.42	13.6

IRON0848-005 07/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
IRONWORKER, STRUCTURAL.....	\$ 27.35	16.65

* PLUM0421-001 07/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
PLUMBER/PIPEFITTER.....	\$ 31.66	12.69

* SUNC2011-006 08/24/2011

	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER.....	\$ 19.00	0.00
CARPENTER (Drywall Hanging Only).....	\$ 13.83 **	0.00
CARPENTER (Form Work Only).....	\$ 13.38 **	1.80
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...	\$ 15.80 **	0.00
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 20.64	6.68
HVAC MECHANIC (HVAC Duct Installation Only).....	\$ 17.37	1.82

LABORER: Common or General.....	\$ 10.54 **	0.52
LABORER: Landscape & Irrigation.....	\$ 9.13 **	0.28
LABORER: Pipelayer.....	\$ 13.35 **	2.80
LABORER: Mason Tender-Brick/Cement/Concrete.....	\$ 12.00 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.....	\$ 18.47	2.41
OPERATOR: Bulldozer.....	\$ 16.00 **	1.87
OPERATOR: Crane.....	\$ 19.77	4.48
OPERATOR: Forklift.....	\$ 13.86 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Grader/Blade.....	\$ 15.72 **	1.49
OPERATOR: Loader.....	\$ 16.17 **	0.25
PAINTER: Brush, Roller and Spray.....	\$ 12.35 **	0.00
ROOFER.....	\$ 11.75 **	1.06
SHEET METAL WORKER, Excludes HVAC Duct Installation.....	\$ 15.81 **	1.40
TRUCK DRIVER.....	\$ 13.38 **	1.48

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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** Workers in this classification may be entitled to a higher minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$16.20) or 13658 (\$12.15). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information.

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Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts>.

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Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

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A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

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END OF GENERAL DECISIO"

"General Decision Number: NC20230081 01/06/2023

Superseded General Decision Number: NC20220081

State: North Carolina

Construction Type: Heavy

Counties: Cumberland and Hoke Counties in North Carolina.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$16.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2023.
If the contract was awarded on or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 13658 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$12.15 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2023.

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be

adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts>.

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	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER, Includes Form Work....	\$ 13.98 **	0.69
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 15.41 **	3.13
LABORER: Common or General.....	\$ 9.21 **	0.00
LABORER: Pipelayer.....	\$ 12.87 **	2.21
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.....	\$ 14.71 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Bulldozer.....	\$ 14.63 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Loader.....	\$ 15.13 **	2.79
TRUCK DRIVER.....	\$ 13.12 **	1.89

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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END OF GENERAL DECISIO"

AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL (AIS)

GUIDANCE FOR SRF PROJECTS IN NORTH CAROLINA

This state guidance **summarizes** the requirements under Subsection 436 (a)(2) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 that SRF recipients only use iron and steel products produced in the United States. The Environmental Protection Agency provides full guidance on the requirements at the following website:

http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/aisrequirement.cfm.

Recipients of subject SRF awards must submit the executed **Certification for SRF Projects** and any waiver requests with their Bid Package. The recipient cannot receive a promissory note without these items.

Manufacturers can use the template “Compliance Certification” to document that materials are “produced in the United States.”

Contents

1. Certification for SRF Projects
2. AIS Waiver Instructions
3. Materials covered by AIS
4. Template *Compliance Certification* for Materials Covered by AIS
5. Template *De Minimis* list

AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL (AIS)

CERTIFICATION FOR SRF PROJECTS

Recipients of subject SRF awards must submit **this executed form and any waiver requests** with their Bid Information package to the State SRF program in order to receive funding.

The (Applicant) certifies that their contractors performing construction, alteration, maintenance and repair of the public treatment works under project number will comply with subsection 436 (a)(2) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and only use iron and steel products produced in the United States.

Contractor Representative	Project Applicant/Owner Representative
(print)_____	(print)_____
(sign and date)_____	(sign and date)_____
Company Name	Applicant/Owner Name and Project No.
_____	_____

AIS WAIVER INSTRUCTIONS

Approved national waivers can be found at this website:

http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/aisrequirement.cfm

Please note that a national waiver for “*de minimis*” iron and steel components has been approved. A table is included in this document for use in documenting what items are to be considered as covered under this waiver. Note that no single *de minimis* item can be more than 1% of the total material cost of the project and the total of all *de minimis* items must not exceed 5% of the **total material cost of the project**.

Waiver Requests are provided for in subsection 436(b) of the Act. It states they will be granted if the Administrator of the EPA finds that:

- (1) Applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;
- (2) Iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or
- (3) Inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

A checklist of items for a complete waiver application package can be found in the EPA guidance document for AIS found here:

http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/upload/AIS-final-guidance-3-20-14.pdf

- Submit DWSRF waiver requests to vincent.tomaino@ncdenr.gov.
- Submit CWSRF waiver requests to mark.hubbard@ncdenr.gov.

The State will forward these to the EPA for a final determination.

MATERIALS COVERED BY AIS

Lined and unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers, municipal castings (detailed below), hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel (detailed below), reinforced precast concrete and construction materials (detailed below). Products must be composed of greater than 50% iron and steel measured by cost and permanently incorporated into the project to be subject to the provision.

<u>Municipal Castings</u>	<u>Structural Steel</u>	<u>Construction Material</u>
Access Hatches	Wide Flange shapes	Wire Rod
Ballast Screen	I-beams	Bar
Benches	Channels	Angles
Bollards	Angles	Concrete Reinforcing Bar
Cast Bases	Tees	Wire
Cast Iron Hinged Hatches	Zees	Wire Cloth
Cast Iron Riser Rings	H-piles	Wire Rope and Cables
Catch Basin Inlet	Sheet piling	Tubing
Cleanout/Monument Boxes	Tie Plates	Framing
Construction Covers and Frames	Cross Ties	Joists
Curb and Corner Guards		Trusses
Curb Openings	(note: at least one	Fasteners
Detectable Warning Plates	dimension must be 3	Welding Rods
Downspout Shoes	inches or greater to	Decking
Drainage Grates, Frames and Inlets	be subject)	Grating
Inlets		Railings
Junction Boxes		Stairs
Lampposts		Access Ramps
Manhole Covers, Rings, Frames and		Fire Escapes
Risers		Ladders
Meter Boxes		Wall Panels
Service Boxes		Dome Structures
Steel Hinged Hatches		Roofing
Steel Riser Rings		Ductwork
Trash Receptacles		Surface Drains
Tree Grates		Cable Hanging Systems
Tree Guards		Manhole Steps
Trench Grates		Fencing and Fence
Valve Boxes, Covers and Risers		Tubing
		Guardrails
		Doors Stationary Screens

Mechanical and electrical components, equipment and systems are not subject to AIS. See the EPA guidance for details.

TEMPLATE COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATIONS FOR MATERIALS COVERED BY AIS

Company Name:

Company Address:

SRF Project name and project number:

I _____, certify that the following products were produced at the following location or steps in the production of the listed products, occurred at the following location:

Location:

<u>Product</u>	<u>Step in production (Final production, melting, bending, etc.)</u>
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1)

2)

3)

Therefore, these materials are “produced in the United States.”

(signature and title of company representative)

(date)

DE MINIMIS LIST

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>

Total De Minimis Cost: \$ _____

Total Material Cost For Project: \$ _____

De Minimis Cost is _____ **percent of total material costs.**

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NOTICE OF AWARD

TO: _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55

The OWNER has considered the BID submitted by you for the above described work in response to its Advertisement for Bids dated _____ and Instructions to Bidders.

You are hereby notified that your BID has been accepted for items in the amount of \$_____.

You are required by the Instructions to Bidders to execute the Agreement and furnish the required Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and Certificates of Insurance within ten (10) calendar days from the date of this NOTICE to you.

If you fail to execute said Agreement and to furnish said Bonds within ten (10) days from the date of this Notice, said Owner will be entitled to consider all your rights arising out of the OWNER's acceptance of your BID as abandoned and as a forfeiture of your Bid Bond. The Owner will be entitled to such other rights as may be granted by law.

You are required to return an acknowledged copy of this NOTICE OF AWARD to the OWNER.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2023.

**OWNER: FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
FAYETTEVILLE, NC**

**BY: Candice S. Kirtz
TITLE: Director of Supply Chain**

ACCEPTANCE OF AWARD

**PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER
TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55**

Receipt of the preceding NOTICE OF AWARD is hereby acknowledged this the _____
day of _____, 2023.

(CONTRACTOR)

By: _____

Title: _____

- END OF SECTION -

PERFORMANCE BOND

Date of Execution: _____

Name of Principal: _____

(Contractor)

Name of Surety: _____

Name of Contracting

Body: Fayetteville Public Works Commission, Fayetteville, N.C.

Amount of Bond: _____

PROJECT: PO HOFFER WATER TREATMENT AND FACILITY GLENVILLE LAKE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 55

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That We, the Principal and Surety above named, are held and firmly bound unto the above named Contracting Body, hereinafter called the Contracting Body, in the penal sum of the amount stated above the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, and successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these present.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the Principal entered into a certain Contract with the Contracting Body, identified as shown above and hereto attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well and truly perform and fulfill all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of said Contract during the original term of said Contract and any extensions there of that may be granted by the Contracting Body, with or without notice to the Surety, and during the life of any Guaranty required under the Contract, and shall also well and truly perform and fulfill all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of any and all duly authorized modifications of said Contract that may hereafter be made, notice of which modifications to the Surety being hereby waived, then, this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above bounded parties have executed this instrument under the several seals on the date indicated above, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed, and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

Executed in _____ counterparts.

Witness:

(Proprietorship of Partnership)

By:

Title:

(Corporate Secretary or
Assistant Secretary, Only)

CONTRACTOR:

(Trade or Corporate Name)

By:

Title:

(Owner, Partner, Corporate President or
Vice-President, Only)
(CORPORATE SEAL)

Witness:

Countersigned:

(N.C. Licensed Resident Agent)

SURETY COMPANY:

(Surety Company Name)

By:

Title:

(Attorney in Fact)
(SURETY CORPORATE SEAL)

PAYMENT BOND

Date of Execution: _____

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(Contractor)

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By:

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(Attorney in Fact)
(SURETY CORPORATE SEAL)

**POWER OF ATTORNEY
(ATTACH)**

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You are hereby notified to commence work in accordance with the Contract dated _____, 2023, on or before _____, 2023, and you are to complete the WORK within the **contract period** thereafter. The date of final completion therefore is _____.

FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

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BY: _____

TITLE: _____

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