#### SECTION 00520 AGREEMENT BETWEEN BUYER AND SELLER

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THIS AGREEMENT is by and between	Village of Taos Ski Valley	("Buyer") and
Ovivo US.	A LLC	("Seller").

Buyer and Seller hereby agree as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 1 – GOODS AND SPECIAL SERVICES**

1.01 Seller shall furnish the Goods and Special Services as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Goods and Special Services to be furnished are described in Section 01110 Summary of Goods and Special Services, Section 01270 Definition of Schedule of Values, and as further specified and defined in Divisions 1 and 11 of the technical specifications.

#### **ARTICLE 2 – THE PROJECT**

- 2.01 The Project, of which the Goods and Special Services may be the whole or only a part, is identified as follows:
  - A. Description of Project:
    - 1. The project consists of improvements to and expansion of the existing wastewater treatment facility. The project components will include the existing headworks, concrete equalization basin, WAS storage tanks, existing secondary treatment process building structure, process tankage and piping systems. disinfection system and outfall. Work will include existing building system improvements including excavation, backfill, compaction and concrete footers, slabs and tankage for the a portion of the MBR system, MCC room, control room and bathroom, including heating and lighting systems; headworks improvements including installation of a 2 mm mechanical fine screen, influent channel and flume modifications, the MBR system materials and equipment, process piping, valves and ancillary equipment; chemical feed and storage systems necessary for the process treatment; removal and replacement of the existing WAS storage tanks, connection to the outfall pipe and new outfall structure, site access road construction, site drainage and erosion control, and all associated materials, equipment and appurtenances required for a completely functioning system as identified in the performance based Procurement Contract Documents.
    - 2. The Work covered by this performance based Procurement includes supply and shipment of the complete MBR System. The MBR system (along with ancillary processes, materials and components) will be off-loaded and installed by a Contractor under a separate Contract.
  - B. Work Covered by Contract Documents:
    - 1. This Procurement is performance based. The Seller will be responsible for the fabrication, supply, shipment, off-loading recommendations and coordination,

installing Contractor coordination and installation inspection, operator training, startup and performance testing of the complete MBR System including all MBR secondary treatment process materials and equipment provided to meet the performance based requirements. The Seller shall supply and deliver to the Village of Taos Ski Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant, 38 Ocean Boulevard, Village of Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico all equipment, appurtenanees and associated materials required for a completely functioning system, as referenced in the Contract Documents.

#### **ARTICLE 3 – ENGINEER**

3.01 The Contract Documents for the Goods and Special Services have been prepared by <u>FEI Engineers, Inc.</u> ("Engineer"), which is to act as Buyer's representative, assume all duties and responsibilities, and have the rights and authority assigned to Engineer in the Contract Documents in connection with Seller's furnishing of Goods and Special Services.

#### **ARTICLE 4 – POINT OF DESTINATION**

4.01 The Point of Destination is designated as: <u>38 Ocean Boulevard, Taos Ski Valley, NM</u> <u>87525</u>.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – CONTRACT TIMES**

- 5.01 Time of the Essence
  - A. All time limits for Milestones, if any, including the submittal of Shop Drawings and Samples, the delivery of Goods, and the furnishing of Special Services as stated in the Contract Documents, are of the essence of the Contract.
- 5.02 Milestones
  - A. Date for Submittal of Shop Drawings and Samples: Seller shall submit all Shop Drawings and Samples required by the Contract Documents to Buyer for Engineer's review and approval on or before June 12, 2018. It is the intent of the parties that (1) Engineer conduct such review and issue its approval, or a denial accompanied by substantive comments regarding information needed to gain approval, within 30 days of Seller's submittal of such Shop Drawings and Samples; and (2) resubmittals be limited whenever possible. If more than one resubmittal is necessary for reasons not the fault and beyond the control of Seller, then Seller shall be entitled to seek appropriate relief under Paragraph 7.02.B of the General Conditions.
  - B. *Date for Delivery of Goods:* The Goods are to be delivered to the Point of Destination and ready for Buyer's receipt of delivery on (or within a period of 15 days prior to) <u>November 27, 2018</u>.
  - C. *Days for Furnishing Special Services:* The furnishing of Special Services to Buyer that include installation, start up, and performance services will commence within

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<u>120</u> days (June 2019) after Buyer's acknowledgement of receipt of delivery of the Goods, and shall be completed within <u>60</u> days (September 2019) thereafter.

- 5.03 Buyer's Final Inspection
  - A. Date for Final Inspection: Buyer shall make its final inspection of the Goods pursuant to Paragraph 8.01.C of the General Conditions on or before September 17, 2019. This date shall be adjusted equitably if Seller fails to deliver the Goods or furnish Special Services in compliance with the Milestones established in Paragraphs 5.02.B and 5.02.C of this Agreement.
- 5.04 Liquidated Damages
  - A. Buyer and Seller recognize that Buyer will suffer financial loss if the Goods are not delivered at the Point of Destination and ready for receipt of delivery by Buyer within the times specified in Paragraph 5.02 above, plus any extensions thereof allowed in accordance with Article 7 of the General Conditions. The parties also recognize that the timely performance of services by others involved in the Project is materially dependent upon Seller's specific compliance with the requirements of Paragraph 5.02. Further, they recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving the actual loss suffered by Buyer if complete acceptable Goods are not delivered on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring such proof, Buyer and Seller agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty) Seller shall pay Buyer \$200 for each day that expires after the time specified in Paragraph 5.02.B for delivery of acceptable Goods. Seller's liability for liquidated damages shall not exceed, in the aggregate, any amount more than fifteen (15%) of the total contract value stated in seller's bid for the equipment that is not delivered on time. Seller shall not be liable for Liquidated Damages due to delays caused by Force Majeure events, nor delays caused by Buyer, including but not limited to late drawing approval, inspection delays, scope changes, etc. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement to the contrary, payment of liquidated damages shall be Seller's sole liability and Buyer's sole remedy for late delivery of the equipment; however, this limitation shall not affect or impair Buyer's rights and remedies under contract or law as to all other provisions of this Agreement Such remedies shall not be enforced unless Buyer suffers an economic loss as a result of Seller's late delivery. if separate and unrelated delays by other parties to the project that is the subject of this Agreement exceed Seller's delay.

#### **ARTICLE 6 – CONTRACT PRICE**

- 6.01 Buyer shall pay Seller for furnishing the Goods and Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents as follows:
  - A. The prices stated in Seller's Bid, attached hereto as an exhibit.

#### **ARTICLE 7 – PAYMENT PROCEDURES**

#### 7.01 Submittal and Processing of Payment

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- A. Seller shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with Article 10 of the General Conditions. Applications for Payment will be processed by Engineer as provided in the General Conditions.
- 7.02 Progress Payments; Retainage
  - A. Buyer shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Price on the basis of Seller's Applications for Payment as follows (refer to the attached MBR Procurement Schedule Gantt Chart):
    - 1. Two percent (2%) upon Notice to Proceed.
    - 2. Two percent (2%) upon completion of the 60% design milestone.
    - 3. Three percent (3%) upon completion of the final design milestone.
    - 4. Two percent (2%) upon delivery of all submittals
    - 5. Three percent (3%) upon approval of all submittals.
    - 6. Sixty eight percent (68%) upon delivery of goods to point of destination.
    - 7. Ten percent (10%) upon successful start-up of the equipment (Start-up begins within 9 months from delivery).
    - 8. Ten percent (10%) upon successful completion of the project performance testing (Not to exceed 2 months from successful start-up of the equipment).
- 7.03 Final Payment
  - A. Upon receipt of the final Application for Payment accompanied by Engineer's recommendation of payment, Buyer shall pay Seller the amount recommended by Engineer, less any sum Buyer is entitled to set off against Engineer's recommendation, including but not limited to liquidated damages.

#### **ARTICLE 8 – INTEREST**

8.01 All monies not paid when due as provided in Article 10 of the General Conditions shall bear interest at the statutory rate.

#### **ARTICLE 9 – SELLER'S REPRESENTATIONS**

- 9.01 In order to induce Buyer to enter into this Agreement, Seller makes the following representations:
  - A. Seller has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents and the other related data identified in the Bidding Documents, as applicable to Seller's obligations identified in Article 1 above.
  - B. If required by the Bidding Documents to visit the Point of Destination and site where the Goods are to be installed or Special Services will be provided, or if, in

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Seller's judgment, any local condition may affect cost, progress<sub>\*</sub> or the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services, Seller has visited the Point of Destination and site where the Goods are to be installed or Special Services will be provided and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the observable local conditions that may affect cost, progress<sub>\*</sub> and the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services.

- C. Seller is familiar with and is satisfied as to all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services.
- D. Seller has carefully studied, considered, and correlated the information known to Seller; information commonly known to sellers of similar goods doing business in the locality of the Point of Destination and the site where the Goods will be installed or where Special Services will be provided; information and observations obtained from Seller's visits, if any, to the Point of Destination and site where the Goods are to be installed or Services will be provided; and any reports and drawings identified in the Bidding Documents regarding the Point of Destination and the site where the Goods will be installed or where Special Services will be provided; and any reports and the site where the Goods will be installed or where Special Services will be provided, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on the cost, progress, and performance of Seller's obligations under the Contract Documents.
- E. Seller has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Seller has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution (if any) thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Seller.
- F. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for furnishing Goods and Special Services.

#### **ARTICLE 10 – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

#### 10.01 Contents

- A. The Contract Documents consist of the following:
  - 1. This Agreement (pages 1 to <u>8</u>, inclusive).
  - 2. Performance bond (pages  $\underline{1}$  to  $\underline{6}$ , inclusive).
  - 3. Payment bond (pages <u>1</u> to <u>6</u>, inclusive).
  - 4. Other bonds.
  - 5. \_\_\_\_\_ (pages \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, inclusive).
  - 6. General Conditions (pages <u>1</u> to <u>34</u>, inclusive).
  - 7. Supplementary Conditions (pages  $\underline{1}$  to  $\underline{4}$ , inclusive).
  - 8. Specifications as listed in the table of contents of the Project Manual.
  - 9. Drawings, consisting of a cover sheet and sheets numbered\_\_\_\_\_\_ through , inclusive, with each sheet bearing the following general title: \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 10. Addenda (numbers 1 to 2, inclusive).

- 11. Exhibits to this Agreement (enumerated as follows):
  - Exhibit A-1 to Agreement between Buyer and Seller dated , Assignment of Contract; Consent to Assignment; and Acceptance of Assignment.
  - b. Exhibit A-2 to Agreement between Buyer and Seller dated Agreement to Assignment by Seller's Surety.
  - c. Seller's Bid, solely as to the prices set forth therein (pages to inclusive);
- 12. The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and are not attached hereto:
  - a. Notice to Proceed;
  - b. Change Order(s);
  - c. Work Change Directive(s).
- B. The documents listed in Paragraph 10.01.A are attached to this Agreement (except as expressly noted otherwise above).
- C. There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above in this Article 10.
- D. The Contract Documents may only be amended, or supplemented as provided in Paragraph 3.04 of the General Conditions.

#### **ARTICLE 11 – MISCELLANEOUS**

- 11.01 Terms
  - A. Terms used in this Agreement will have the meanings indicated in the General Conditions and the Supplementary Conditions.

- 11.02 Assignment of Contract
  - A. Buyer has the right to assign this Contract for furnishing Goods and Special Services, but only to a person or entity with sufficient ability to satisfy all of Buyer's obligations under this Contract, and Seller hereby consents to such assignment. Forms documenting the assignment of the Contract, and consent of Seller's surety to the assignment, have been executed by Buyer, Seller, and Seller's surety, and are attached as exhibits to this Agreement.
    - 1. The Contract will be executed in the name of Buyer initially, and will be assigned to a construction contractor designated by Buyer. Such construction contractor's responsibilities will include the installation of the Goods. The assignment will occur on the effective date of the agreement between Buyer and the construction contractor, which is expected to occur on or about <u>April 11</u>,

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2018. As of the date of acceptance of assignment by the construction contractor, all references in the Contract Documents to Buyer shall mean the designated construction contractor.

- 2. The assignment of the Contract shall relieve the assignor from all further obligations and liabilities under this Contract. After assignment, Seller shall become a subcontractor or supplier to the assignee and, except as noted herein, all rights, duties, and obligations of Buyer under the Contract shall become the rights, duties, and obligations of the assignee.
- 3. After assignment:
  - a. All performance warranties, guarantees, and indemnifications required by the Contract Documents will continue to run for the benefit of assignor and, in addition, for the benefit of the assignee. However, if assignor and assignee make the same warranty or guarantee claim, then Seller shall only be liable once for such claim.
  - b. Except as provided in this Paragraph 11.02.A.3.b, all rights, duties, and obligations of Engineer to assignee and Seller under this Contract will cease.
    - Engineer will review Seller's Applications for Payment and make recommendations to assignee for payments as provided in Paragraphs 10.02 and 10.06 of the General Conditions.
    - 2) Upon the written request of either the assignee or Seller, Engineer will issue with reasonable promptness clarifications or interpretations of the Contract Documents pursuant to the terms of Paragraph 9.02.A of the General Conditions.
- B. No other assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract Documents will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound. Specifically but without limitation, moneys that may become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by Laws and Regulations). Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to such an assignment, such an assignment will not release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.
- 11.03 Successors and Assigns
  - A. Buyer and Seller each binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other party hereto, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.
- 11.04 Severability

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#### 11.05 Seller's Certifications

- A. Seller certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or ecercive practices in competing for or in executing the Contract. For the purposes of this Paragraph 11.05:
  - 1. "eorrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the bidding process or in the Contract execution;
  - "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the bidding process or the execution of the Contract to the detriment of Buyer, (b) to establish Bid or Contract prices at artificial non-competitive levels, or (c) to deprive Buyer of the benefits of free and open competition;
  - 3. "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more Bidders, with or without the knowledge of Buyer, a purpose of which is to establish Bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels; and
  - 4. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the bidding process or affect the execution of the Contract.

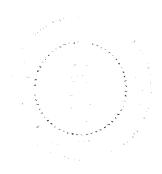
#### 11.06 Limitations

A. Buyer and Seller waive against each other, and against the other's officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors, any and all claims for or entitlement to incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or related to the Contract. Upon assignment the terms of this Paragraph 11.06.A shall be binding upon the assignee with respect to Seller and assignor. To the extent permissible by applicable law, Seller shall have no further liability in connection with this Agreement in excess of the cost of correcting any defects, or in the absence of any defect, in excess of the value of this Agreement. The terms of this mutual waiver do not apply to or limit any claim by either Buyer or Seller against the other based on any of the following: ((a) costs, losses, or damages attributable to personal or bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of the tangible property of others, or (b) intentional or reckless wrongful conduct.

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#### Bonds

In no event shall Seller be obligated to provide a bond for which the value exceeds the Agreement price, nor a duration which exceeds the first twenty four (24) months of the warranty period.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Buyer and Seller have signed this Agreement. Counterparts have been delivered to Buyer and Seller. All portions of the Contract Documents have been signed or identified by Buyer and Seller or on their behalf.

This Agreement will be effective on <u>20Feb 2017</u> (which is the Effective Date of the Agreement).

Buyer: Village of Taos Ski Valley Colporate Seal Woodudae Wirgs for giving notice: ſΝ BAX Valley, NM 87525

(If Buyer is a corporation, attach evidence of authority to sign. If Buyer is a public body, attach evidence of authority to sign and resolution or other documents authorizing execution of Buyer-Seller Agreement.)

Designated Representative

Mark G. Fratrick Village Administrator

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Name:

Title: \_

Address: POBOXIDO TEV NM 87525

Phone: <u>575-776-8220</u>

Facsimile: <u>675 - 776 - 1145</u>

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Seller: Ovivo USA LLC By: Vale CORPO [Corporate Seal] Attest: Address for giving notice: 4246 Riverboat Rd. Suite 300 Salt Lake City UT 84123

Agent for service of process:

Corporation S	iervice	Company
2711 Centerville		
Wilmington,	DE	19808
302-636-	5401	

(If Seller is a corporation or a partnership, attach evidence of authority to sign.)

Designated Representative
Name: Valere Morissette
Title: Vice President
Address: 4246 Riverboat Rd, Suite 30 Salt Lake City 84123 Phone: 001-931-3000
Phone: 901 - 931 - 3000
Facsimile:

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#### EXHIBIT A-1 to Agreement Between Buyer and Seller dated \_\_\_\_

## ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT; CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT; AND ACCEPTANCE OF ASSIGNMENT

This assignment will be effective on the Effective Date of the Agreement between Buyer and Construction Contractor.

The Contract between			("Buyer") and
for furnishing Goods and Special Services under	the Co	ntract Documents entitled	("Seller")
s hereby assigned, transferred, and set over to "Construction Contractor"). Construction Co performance of Seller and for the duties, rights	ontracto and obl	r shall be totally respo igations of Buyer, not oth	
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ASSIGNMENT ACKNOWLEDGED AND ACCEPTED BY:			
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SSIGNMENT ACCEPTED BY:			
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**EXHIBIT A-2 to Agreement Between** Buyer and Seller dated:

#### AGREEMENT TO ASSIGNMENT BY SELLER'S SURETY

Surety hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Contract for furnishing Goods and Special ("Construction Contractor"), in accordance with Paragraph 11.02 of Agreement between Buyer and Seller.

Surety further agrees that, upon assignment of the Contract, the Construction Contractor shall have all the rights of the Buyer under the Performance Bond.

(Corporate Seal)

Surety

Company:

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_Signature and Title (Attach Power of Attorney)

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#### CORPORATE RESOLUTION

I, Gwen Klees	
(Individual Name)	
Secretary of Ovivo USA, LLC	an Delaware Corporation
(Corporation Name)	(State)
hereby certify that the Board of Directors of said Corpora	tion on the <u>13<sup>th</sup></u> day of
January, 20_15, adopted a resolution authorizing the	
	oration Title, i.e., President, Vice President, etc.)
Company, namely, Valere Morissette	, to sign bid proposals, sign and
(Individual Name)	
enter into any and all contracts and other instruments, sign an	nd/or authorize bid guaranty and
performance bonds for the purpose of furnishing labor and mate	erials at such price and upon such
terms and conditions, including any amendments or m	nodifications thereto, as said
Vice President in his sole discretion sha	ll deem best, and that said actions
(Corporation Title, I.e., President, Vice President, etc.). shall be binding upon the Corporation.	.l. ~
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# IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said

Corporation at	Montreal	s	QC	this	28 <sup>th</sup>	đay
	(City)	.•	(State)			
of <u>May</u>	, 20_1	. <u>5,</u> and I fu	ther certify th	at said reso	olution is	still in

full force and effect.

Corporate Secretary C

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#### SECTION 00550 NOTICE TO PROCEED

Village of Taos Ski Valley
Ovivo USA LLC
FEI Engineers, Inc.
Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

#### TO SELLER:

Buyer hereby notifies Seller that the Contract Times under the above Contract will commence to run on February 21, 2017

On that date, Seller shall start performing its obligations under the Contract Documents. No Work shall be done at the Site prior to such date. In accordance with the Agreement, the contract times are described in Article 5.

Before starting any Work at the Site, Seller must comply with the following:

Provide evidence of insurance in accordance with the General Conditions.

SELLER	BUYER
Ovivo USA LLC Seller's Name By: <u>Ibela-Mautt</u> Signature <u>G-13-2017</u> Date <u>Valere Morissette</u> Print Name <u>Vice President</u> Title	Village of Taos Ski Valley Buyer's Name By: Mak Gradient Signature 23 MAY 2017 Date Mark Fratrick Print Name Village Administrator Title
(If Seller is a corporation, a partnership, or a joint venture, attach evidence of authority to sign.) License No.: (where applicable)	(If Buyer is a corporation, attach evidence of authority to sign. If Buyer is a public body, attach evidence of authority to sign and resolution or other documents authorizing execution of this Agreement.)
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#### SECTION 00610 PERFORMANCE BOND FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

Any singular reference to Seller, Surety, Buyer, or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

SELLER (name and address):

Ovivo USA, LLC

4246 Riverboat Road, Ste. 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84123

SURETY (name and address of principal place of business):

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

175 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02116 (617) 357-9500

BUYER (name and address):

Village of Taos Ski Valley

7 Firehouse Road, P.O. Box 100, Taos Ski Valley, NM 87525

#### CONTRACT

Effective Date:

Amount: Description *(Name and location)*: \$ 1,102,647.00 (One Million One Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven and No/100 Dollars)

# BOND

Bond Number:	674027110
Date: (not earlier than Contract dat	te)
Amount: Modifications to this Bond	\$ 1,102,647.00 (One Million One Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven and No/100 Dollars)
Form:	N/A

Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

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#### SELLER

# SURETY

Ovivo USA, LLC	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	
Seller's Name	Surety's Name	
By: Retalune	By: Uccalfia Signature	
Date: 3/1/2017	Date:	
Print Name: Robert R. Palmer	Print Name: Rebecca S. Leal	
Title: Vice President	Title: <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u> (Attach Power of Attorne	v)
Address: 4246 Riverboat Road, Ste. 300	Address: _444 W. 47th Street, Suite 900	<i>,</i> ,
Salt Lake City, UT 84123	Kansas City, MO 64112-1906	
Phone: (801) 931-3000	Phone: (816) 960-9000	
Email:	Email: rleal@lockton.com	
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- 1. Seller and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to Buyer for the performance of the Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference. For purposes of this bond, Buyer means Buyer's assigns, if and when Buyer has assigned the Contract.
- 2. If Seller performs the Contract, Surety and Seller have no obligation under this Bond, except to participate in conferences as provided in Paragraph 3.1.
- 3. If there is no Buyer Default, Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after:
  - 3.1. Buyer has notified Seller and Surety pursuant to Paragraph 10 that Buyer is considering declaring a Seller Default and has requested and attempted to arrange a conference with Seller and Surety to be held not later than 15 days after receipt of such notice to discuss methods of performing the Contract. (If Buyer, Seller, and Surety agree, Seller shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive Buyer's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Seller Default); and
  - 3.2. Buyer has declared a Seller Default and formally terminated Seller's right to complete the Contract. Such Seller Default shall not be declared earlier than 20 days after Seller and Surety have received notice as provided in Paragraph 3.1; and
  - 3.3. Buyer has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price to:
    - a. Surety in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
    - b. Another seller selected pursuant to Paragraph 4.3 to perform the Contract.
- 4. When Buyer has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 3, Surety shall promptly and at Surety's expense take one of the following actions:
  - 4.1. Arrange for Seller, with consent of Buyer, to perform and complete the Contract; or
  - 4.2. Undertake to perform and complete the Contract itself, through its agents or through independent contractors; or
  - 4.3. Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified sellers acceptable to Buyer for a contract for performance and completion of the Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by Buyer and a seller selected with Buyer's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the Bonds issued on the Contract, and pay to Buyer the amount of damages as described in Paragraph 6 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by Buyer resulting from Seller Default; or

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- 4.4. Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new seller, and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances, either:
  - a. determine the amount for which it may be liable to Buyer and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, tender payment therefor to Buyer; or
  - b. deny liability in whole or in part and notify Buyer citing reasons therefor.
- 5. If Surety does not proceed as provided in Paragraph 4 with reasonable promptness, Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond 15 days after receipt of an additional written notice from Buyer to Surety demanding that Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and Buyer shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to Buyer. If Surety proceeds as provided in paragraph 4.4, and Buyer refuses the payment tendered or Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice Buyer shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to Buyer.
- 6. After Buyer has terminated Seller's right to complete the Contract, and if Surety elects to act under Paragraph 4.1, 4.2, or 4.3, then the responsibilities of Surety to Buyer shall not be greater than those of Seller under the Contract, and the responsibilities of Buyer to Surety shall not be greater than those of Buyer under the Contract. To a limit of the amount of this Bond, but subject to commitment by Buyer of the Balance of the Contract Price to mitigation of costs and damages on the Contract, Surety is obligated without duplication for:
  - 6.1. the responsibilities of Seller for correction or replacement of defective Goods and Special Services and completion of the Contract;
  - 6.2. Additional legal, design professional, and delay costs resulting from Seller's Default, and resulting from the actions of or failure to act of Surety under Paragraph 4; and
  - 6.3. Liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of Seller.
- 7. Surety shall not be liable to Buyer or others for obligations of Seller that are unrelated to the Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than Buyer or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns.
- 8. Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.
- 9. Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location of the Point of Destination, and shall be instituted within two years after Seller Default or within two years after Seller ceased working or within two years after Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If

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the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

- 10. Notice to Surety, Buyer or Seller shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the signature page.
- 11. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Point of Destination, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. The intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

#### 12. Definitions.

- 12.1. *Balance of the Contract Price:* The total amount payable by Buyer to Seller under the Contract after all proper adjustments have been made, including allowance to Seller of any amounts received or to be received by Buyer in settlement of insurance or other Claims for damages to which Seller is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of Seller under the Contract.
- 12.2. Contract: The agreement between Buyer and Seller identified on the signature page, including all Contract Documents and changes thereto.
- 12.3. *Seller Default:* Failure of Seller, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with the terms of the Contract.
- 12.4. *Buyer Default:* Failure of Buyer, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to pay Seller as required by the Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other terms thereof.

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# PAYMENT BOND FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

Any singular reference to Seller, Surety, Buyer or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

# SELLER (Name and Address):

Ovivo USA, LLC 4246 Riverboat Road, Ste. 300 Salt Lake City, UT 84123

BUYER (Name and Address): Village of Taos Ski Valley 7 Firehouse Road, P.O. Box 100 Taos Ski Valley, NM 87525

## CONTRACT

Date:

# SURETY (Name and Address of Principal

Place of Business): Liberty Mutual Insurance Company 175 Berkeley Street Boston, MA 02116 (617) 357-9500

Amount: One Million One Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven and No/100 Dollars (\$1,102,647.00) Description (Name and Location): Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

#### BOND

Date (Not earlier than Contract Date): Bond Number: 674027110 Amount: One Million One Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven and No/100 Dollars (\$1,102,647.00) Modifications to this Bond Form: N/A

Surety and Seller, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth below, do each cause this Payment Bond to be duly executed on its behalf by its authorized officer, agent, or representative.

Seller as Principal	NO USA	Surety Company: Liberty Mutual Insurance Company (Corp. Seal)
Company: Ovivo USA, LLC	(Colposeal) . C	Company. coordy wardan insurance company (Corp. Sear)
Signature: V	SEAL 12003	Signature: Mecca S. Leal, Attorney-in-Fact
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Robert K.	Palmer AWA	(Attach Power of Attorney)
		Address: 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02116
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VICE FI	cesi e entra minin	Telephone Number: (617) 357-9500

(Space is provided below for signatures of additional parties, if required.)

Seller as Principal		Surety	
Company:	(Corp. Seal)	Company:	(Corp. Seal)
Signature:		Signature:	
Name and Title:		Name and Title:	
		Address:	
		Telephone Number:	

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- 1. Seller and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to Buyer to pay for labor, materials and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference. For purposes of this bond, Buyer means Buyer's assigns, if and when Buyer has assigned the Contract.
- 2. With respect to Buyer, this obligation shall be null and void if Seller:
  - 2.1. Promptly makes payment, directly or indirectly, for all sums due Claimants, and
  - 2.2. Defends, indemnifies and holds harmless Buyer from all claims, demands, liens or suits by any person or entity who furnished labor, materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Contract, provided Buyer has promptly notified Seller and Surety (at the addresses described in Paragraph 12) of any claims, demands, liens or suits and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens or suits to Seller and Surety, and provided there is no Buyer Default.
- 3. With respect to Claimants, this obligation shall be null and void if Seller promptly makes payment, directly or indirectly, for all sums due.
- 4. Surety shall have no obligation to Claimants under this Bond until:
  - 4.1. Claimants who are employed by or have a direct contract with Seller have given notice to Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to Buyer stating that a claim is being made under this Bond and, with substantial accuracy, the amount of the claim.
  - 4.2. Claimants who do not have a direct contract with Seller:
    - a. Have furnished written notice to Seller and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to Buyer, within 90 days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the claim stating, with substantial accuracy, the amount of the claim and the name of the party to whom the materials were furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed; and
    - b. Have either received a rejection in whole or in part from Seller or not received within 30 days of furnishing the above notice any communication from Seller by which Seller had indicated the claim will be paid directly or indirectly; and
    - c. Not having been paid within the above 30 days, have sent a written notice to Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to Buyer stating that a claim is being made under this Bond and enclosing a copy of the previous written notice furnished to Seller.
- 5. If a notice required by Paragraph 4 is given by Buyer to Seller or to Surety, that is sufficient compliance.
- 6. Reserved.
- 7. Surety's total obligation shall not exceed the amount of this Bond, and the amount of this bond shall be credited for any payments made in good faith by Surety.
- 8. Amounts owed by Buyer to Seller under the Contract shall be used for the performance of the Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any Performance Bond. By Seller furnishing and Buyer

EJCDC P-615 Payment Bond for Procurement Contracts Published jointly by National Society of Professional Engineers, American Council of Engineering Companies, American Society of Civil Engineers, and Associated General Contractors of America. 2010. All rights reserved. Page 2 accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by Seller in the performance of the Contract are dedicated to satisfy obligations of Seller and Surety under this Bond, subject to Buyer's priority to use the funds for the completion of the furnishing the Goods and Special Services.

- 9. Surety shall not be liable to Buyer, Claimants or others for obligations of Seller that are unrelated to the Contract. Buyer shall not be liable for payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to, give notices on behalf of, or otherwise have obligations to Claimants under this Bond.
- 10. Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders, and other obligations.
- 11. No suit or action shall be commeneed by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the Goods relevant to the claim are located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant gave the notice required by Paragraph 4.1 or paragraph 4.2.3, or (2) on which the last labor or service was performed by anyone or the last materials or equipment were furnished by anyone under the Contract, whichever of (1) or (2) first occurs. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.
- 12. Notice to Surety, Buyer or Seller shall be mailed or delivered to the addresses shown on the signature page. Actual receipt of notice by Surety, Buyer or Seller, however accomplished, shall be sufficient compliance as of the date received at the address shown on the signature page.
- 13. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the Contract was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. The intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory Bond and not as a common law bond.
- 14. Upon request of any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of this Bond, Seller shall promptly furnish a copy of this Bond or shall permit a copy to be made.
- 15. Definitions
  - 15.1 *Claimant:* An individual or entity having a direct contract with Seller or with a Subcontractor of Seller to furnish labor, materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Contract. The intent of this Bond shall be to include without limitation in the terms "labor, materials or equipment" that part of water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service or rental equipment used in the Contract, architectural and engineering services required for furnishing the Goods and Special Services by Seller and Seller's Subcontractors, and all other items for which a mechanic's lien may be asserted in the jurisdiction where the labor, materials or equipment were furnished.
  - 15.2. *Contract:* The agreement between Buyer and Seller identified on the signature page, including all Contract Documents and changes thereto.
  - 15.3. *Buyer Default:* Failure of Buyer, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to pay Seller as required by the Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other terms thereof.

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS NOT VALID UNLESS IT IS PRINTED ON RED BACKGROUND. This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated. Certificate No. 7578719 Liberty Mutual Insurance Company West American Insurance Company The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company POWER OF ATTORNEY KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, C. Stephens Griggs; Charissa D. Lecuyer; Charles R. Teter, III; Christy M. Braile; Debra J. Scarborough; Evan D. Sizemore; Jeffrey C. Carey; Larissa Smith; Laura M. Buhrmester; Mary T. Flanigan; Megan L. Burns-Hasty; Patrick T. Pribyl; Rebecca S. Leal; Tahitia M. Fry , state of MO all of the city of Kansas City each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 22nd day of December 2016 NINSUA Y INS INSU The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company Liberty Mutual Insurance Company 1919 1991 1912 West American Insurance Company value guarantees. Bv: David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA SS COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY Sa On this 22nd day of December ..., 2016., before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes Attorney therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written. rate or residual COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PAS Notarial Seal 5 1 A A) Teresa Pastella, Notary Public Bv: Upper Merion Twp., Montgomery County Power Teresa Pastella, Notary Public My Commission Expires March 28, 2017 Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries ARY PU This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual S £ Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows: interest ō ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS - Section 12. Power of Attorney. Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject idity to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so rate, Val executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority. currency ARTICLE XIII - Execution of Contracts - SECTION 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings. Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, confirm and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary. 0 Certificate of Designation - The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-infact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surely any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surely obligations. Authorization - By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed. I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this day of INSI V IN NSL 1919 1912 199 Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

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-610-832-8240 between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm EST on any business day.

SECTION 00620 APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT SELLER'S APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT NO.

Buyer: Village of Taos Ski Valley	From Seller:		Application Date:	
Project: Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements	Address:		Period:	
	Seller's Project No.		Via Engineer: <u>FEI Engineers, Inc.</u> Engineer's Job #:	ineers, Inc.
CHANGE ORDER SUMMARY APPROVED CHANGE ORDERS:		<ol> <li>Original Contract Price:</li> <li>Net change by Change Orders:</li> </ol>		\$0.00 \$0.00
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The undersigned Seller certifies that (1) all previous progress payments received from Buyer have been applied	from Buyer have been applied		Amount due this Application	\$0.00
on account to discharge Selier's legitimate obligations incurred in connection with work covered by prior Applications for Payment; (2) title of all Work, materials and equipment incorporated in said Work or otherwise	n work covered by prior ated in said Work or otherwise	9 Balance to Finish including retainage	stainage	00 03
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By: Dt	Date:	Is recommended by:		
		FEI Engineers, Inc.		Date
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		Is approved by Buyer:		

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SCHEDULE OF VALUES SECTION 00620

SELLER'S APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT NO.

Project: Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

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SECTION 00620 STORED MATERIALS SUMMARY SELLER'S APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT NO.

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Α		Invoice No.												

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SECTION 00620

#### SECTION 00621 EPA XP-214 CERTIFICATION BY SELLER STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH LABOR STANDARDS

Refer to SECTION 00801 US EPA Region 6 / NMED CPB Supplemental Conditions for Federally Assisted Storm Water and/or Wastewater Infrastructure under the CWSRF Revised October 2014 for a copy of XP-214.

A copy of the form shall be provided with every construction pay application.

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This [preliminary] [final] Certificate of Substantial Completion applies to:

All Work The following specified portions of the Work:

#### **Date of Substantial Completion**

The Work to which this Certificate applies has been inspected by authorized representatives of Buyer, Seller, and Engineer, and found to be substantially complete. The Date of Substantial Completion of the Work or portion thereof designated above is hereby established, subject to the provisions of the Contract pertaining to Substantial Completion. The date of Substantial Completion in the final Certificate of Substantial Completion marks the commencement of the contractual correction period and applicable warranties required by the Contract.

A punch list of items to be completed or corrected is attached to this Certificate. This list may not be allinclusive, and the failure to include any items on such list does not alter the responsibility of the Seller to complete all Work in accordance with the Contract.

The responsibilities between Buyer and Seller for security, operation, safety, maintenance, heat, utilities, insurance, and warranties upon Buyer's use or occupancy of the Work shall be as provided in the Contract, except as amended as follows:

Amendments to Buyer's responsibilities:

None None

As follows:

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Amendments to Seller's responsibilities:	None	As follows:

The following documents are attached to and made a part of this Certificate: [punch list; others]

This Certificate does not constitute an acceptance of Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents, nor is it a release of Seller's obligation to complete the Work in accordance with the Contract.

RECOMMEN	DED:	
By:	Engineer (Authorized Signature)	
Print Name:		
Title:		
Date:		
ACCEPTED: By:		
	Buyer (Authorized Signature)	
Print Name:		
Title:		
Date:		
<b>RECEIVED:</b> By:		
	Seller (Authorized Signature)	
Print Name:		
Title:		
Date:		
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# SECTION 00626 CONSENT OF SURETY COMPANY TO FINAL PAYMENT

Project Name:	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements			
Location:	VTSV/Public Works, 38 Ocean Blvd, TSV, NM 87525			
A/E#:				
TO (Buyer):	Village of Taos Ski Valley			
	7 Firehouse Road, P.O. Box 100			
City/State/Zip:	Taos Ski Valley, NM 87525			
Seller:		Contract Date:		
	n the provisions of th t name and address of Surety C	he Contract between the Buyer and the Seller as indicated Company)		
		, Surety Company,		
on bond of (here inse	rt name and address of Seller)			
		, Seller,		
shall not relieve th		to the Seller, and agrees that final payment to the Seller of any of its obligations to the Company's bond.		
IN WITNESS WH	IEREOF,	the Surety Company has hereunto set its hand this		
day of	,			
		Surety Company		
		Signature of Authorized Representative		
Attest (Seal)		Title		
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## SECTION 00627 LABOR STANDARDS CERTIFICATION

Local Authority: (Name of Grantee/Loanee)	
Address:	
Project Name:	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements
Project Number: (Grant / Loan Number)	
Seller Name:	Village of Taos Ski Valley
Seller Address:	7 Firehouse Road, P.O. Box 100, Taos Ski Valley, NM 87525
Total Contract Amount:	

By this letter, we certify that the New Mexico Public Works Minimum Wage Act, §13-4-11 NMSA 1978, has been complied with for all construction contracts in excess of \$60,000 for the referenced project. Weekly payroll records are available to the New Mexico Department of Labor – Labor and Industry Division, demonstrating compliance with the minimum wage rate determinations and wage scales were posted in a prominent location at the job site. The Seller filed the required Notification of Award (NOA) and a Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages form as well as the Affidavit of Wages Paid form and supplied a copy to the Buyer to demonstrate compliance with these requirements.

Name<sup>1</sup>

Signature

Name<sup>2</sup>

Signature

Date

Date

1 Signed by the Grantee Representative or Signatory Authority

This document was developed and has been modified as necessary by FEI Engineers, Inc.

<sup>2</sup> Signed by Seller's Representative

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## STANDARD GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

## **ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY**

## 1.01 Defined Terms

- A. Whenever used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents and printed with initial capital letters, the terms listed below will have the meanings indicated which are applicable to the singular or plural thereof. In addition to terms specifically defined, terms with initial capital letters in the Contract Documents include references to identified articles and paragraphs, and the titles of other documents or forms.
  - 1. *Addenda*—Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of Bids which clarify, correct, or change the Bidding Requirements or the proposed Contract Documents.
  - 2. *Agreement*—The written instrument signed by both Buyer and Seller covering the Goods and Special Services and which lists the Contract Documents in existence on the Effective Date of the Agreement.
  - 3. *Application for Payment*—The form acceptable to Buyer which is used by Seller in requesting progress and final payments and which is accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.
  - 4. *Bid* The offer or proposal of a Seller submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Goods and Special Services to be provided.
  - 5. *Bidder*—The individual or entity that submits a Bid directly to Buyer.
  - 6. *Bidding Documents*—The Bidding Requirements and the proposed Contract Documents (including all Addenda).
  - 7. *Bidding Requirements*—The advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, Bid security of acceptable form, if any, and Bid Form with any supplements.
  - 8. Buyer—The individual or entity purchasing the Goods and Special Services.
  - 9. *Change Order*—A document which is signed by Seller and Buyer and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision to the Contract Documents or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement. Change Orders may be the result of mutual agreement by Buyer and Seller, or of resolution of a Claim.

- 10. Claim—A demand or assertion by Buyer or Seller seeking an adjustment of Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract. A demand for money or services by a third party is not a Claim.
- 11. Contract—The entire and integrated written agreement between Buyer and Seller concerning the Goods and Special Services. The Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, whether written or oral.
- 12. Contract Documents—Those items so designated in the Agreement. Shop Drawings and other Seller submittals are not Contract Documents, even if accepted, reviewed, or approved by Engineer or Buyer.
- 13. Contract Price—The moneys payable by Buyer to Seller for furnishing the Goods and Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents as stated in the Agreement.
- 14. Contract Times—The times stated in the Agreement by which the Goods must be delivered and Special Services must be furnished.
- 15. Drawings-That part of the Contract Documents prepared or approved by Engineer which graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Goods and Special Services to be furnished by Seller. Shop Drawings and other Seller submittals are not Drawings as so defined.
- 16. Effective Date of the Agreement—The date indicated in the Agreement on which it becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, it means the date on which the Agreement is signed and delivered by the last of the two parties to sign and deliver.
- 17. Engineer—The individual or entity designated as such in the Agreement.
- 18. Field Order—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Goods or Special Services but which does not involve a change in the Contract Price or Contract Times.
- 19. General Requirements—Sections of Division 1 of the Specifications. The General Requirements pertain to all sections of the Specifications.
- 20. Goods—The tangible and movable personal property that is described in the Contract Documents, regardless of whether the property is to be later attached to realty.
- 21. Goods and Special Services—The full scope of materials, equipment, other items, and services to be furnished by Seller, including Goods, as defined herein, and Special Services, if any, as defined herein. This term refers to both the Goods and

the Special Services, or to either the Goods or the Special Services, and to any portion of the Goods or the Special Services, as the context requires.

- 22. *Laws and Regulations; Laws or Regulations*—Any and all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and orders of any and all governmental bodies, agencies, authorities, and courts having jurisdiction.
- 23. *Milestone*—A principal event specified in the Contract Documents relating to an intermediate completion date or time prior to the Contract Times.
- 24. *Notice of Award*—The written notice by Buyer to the Successful Bidder stating that upon timely compliance by the Successful Bidder with the conditions precedent listed therein, Buyer will sign and deliver the Agreement.
- 25. *Notice to Proceed*—A written notice given by Buyer to Seller fixing the date on which the Contract Times commence to run and on which Seller shall start to perform under the Contract.
- 26. *Point of Destination*—The specific address of the location where delivery of the Goods shall be made, as stated in the Agreement.
- 27. *Project*—The total undertaking of which the Goods and Special Services may be the whole, or only a part.
- 28. *Project Manual*—The documentary information prepared for bidding and furnishing the Goods and Special Services. A listing of the contents of the Project Manual is contained in its table of contents.
- 29. *Samples*—Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are representative of some portion of the Goods and Special Services and\_which establish the standards by which such portion of the Goods and Special Services will be judged.
- 30. *Seller*—The individual or entity furnishing the Goods and Special Services.
- 31. *Shop Drawings*—All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or information which are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Seller and submitted by Seller to illustrate some portion of the Goods and Special Services.
- 32. *Special Services*—Services associated with the Goods to be furnished by Seller as required by the Contract Documents.
- 33. Specifications—That part of the Contract Documents consisting of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards and workmanship as

applied to the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services, and certain administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable thereto.

- 34. *Successful Bidder*—The Bidder submitting a responsive Bid, to whom Buyer makes an award.
- 35. *Supplementary Conditions*—That part of the Contract Documents which amends or supplements these General Conditions.
- 36. *Work Change Directive*—A written statement to Seller issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and signed by Buyer ordering an addition, deletion, or other revision in the Contract Documents with respect to the Goods and Special Services. 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.

## 1.02 Terminology

- A. The words and terms discussed in Paragraphs 1.02.B and 1.02.C are not defined, but have the indicated meanings when used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents.
- B. Intent of Certain Terms or Adjectives:
  - 1. 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 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 Engineer as to the Goods and Special Services. It is intended that such exercise of professional judgment, action, or determination will be commercially reasonable and will be solely to evaluate, in general, the Goods and Special Services for compliance with the requirements of and information in the Contract Documents and conformance with the design concept of the completed 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 shall not be effective to assign to Engineer any duty or authority to supervise or direct the furnishing of Goods or Special Services or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility contrary to any other provision of the Contract Documents.
  - 2. The word "non-conforming" when modifying the words "Goods and Special Services," "Goods," or "Special Services," refers to Goods and Special Services that fail to conform to the Contract Documents.

- 3. The word "receipt" when referring to the Goods, shall mean the physical taking and possession by the Buyer under the conditions specified in Paragraph 8.01.B.3.
- 4. The word "day" means a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.
- 5. The word "furnish," when used in connection with the Goods and Special Services shall mean to supply and deliver said Goods to the Point of Destination (or some other specified location) and to perform said Special Services fully, all in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- C. Unless stated otherwise in the Contract Documents, words or phrases that have a wellknown technical or construction industry or trade meaning are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meaning.

# ARTICLE 2 - PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- 2.01 Delivery of Bonds
  - A. When Seller delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Buyer, Seller also shall deliver such bonds as Seller may be required to furnish.
- 2.02 Evidence of Insurance
  - A. When Seller delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Buyer, Seller shall deliver to Buyer, with copies to each additional insured identified by name in the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance which either of them or any additional insured may reasonably request) which Seller is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with Article 4.
- 2.03 Copies of Documents
  - A. Buyer shall furnish Seller up to five printed or hard copies of the Contract Documents. Additional copies will be furnished upon request at the cost of reproduction.
- 2.04 Commencement of Contract Times; Notice to Proceed
  - A. The Contract Times will commence to run on the thirtieth day after the Effective Date of the Agreement or, if a Notice to Proceed is given, on the day indicated in the Notice to Proceed. A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time within 30 days after the Effective Date of the Agreement. In no event will the Contract Times commence to run later than the sixtieth day after the day of Bid opening or the thirtieth day after the Effective Date of the Agreement, whichever date is earlier.

## 2.05 *Designated Representatives*

A. Buyer and Seller shall each designate its representative at the time the Agreement is signed. Each representative shall have full authority to act on behalf of and make binding decisions in any matter arising out of or relating to the Contract.

### 2.06 Progress Schedule

- A. Within 15 days after the Contract Times start to run, Seller shall submit to Buyer and Engineer an acceptable progress schedule of activities, including at a minimum, Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, tests, and deliveries as required by the Contract Documents. No progress payment will be made to Seller until an acceptable schedule is submitted to Buyer and Engineer.
- B. The progress schedule will be acceptable to Buyer and Engineer if it provides an orderly progression of the submittals, tests, and deliveries to completion within the specified Milestones and the Contract Times. Such acceptance will not impose on Buyer or Engineer responsibility for the progress schedule, for sequencing, scheduling, or progress of the work nor interfere with or relieve Seller from Seller's full responsibility therefor. Such acceptance shall not be deemed to acknowledge the reasonableness and attainability of the schedule.

### 2.07 *Preliminary Conference*

- A. Within 20 days after the Contract Times start to run, a conference attended by Seller, Buyer, Engineer and others as appropriate will be held to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Goods and Special Services and to discuss the schedule referred to in Paragraph 2.06.A, procedures for handling Shop Drawings and other submittals, processing Applications for Payment, and maintaining required records.
- 2.08 Safety
  - A. Buyer and Seller 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. When Seller's personnel, or the personnel of any subcontractor to Seller, are present at the Point of Destination or any work area or site controlled by Buyer, the Seller shall be responsible for the compliance by such personnel with any applicable requirements of Buyer's safety programs that are made known to Seller.

## **ARTICLE 3 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: INTENT AND AMENDING**

#### 3.01 Intent

A. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is called for by one is as binding as if called for by all.

- B. Any labor, documentation, services, materials, or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents or from prevailing custom or trade usage as being required to produce or furnish the indicated Goods and Special Services will be provided, whether or not specifically called for, at no additional cost to Buyer.
- C. Clarifications and interpretations of, or notifications of minor variations and deviations in, the Contract Documents, will be issued by Engineer as provided in Article 9.

## 3.02 Standards, Specifications, Codes, Laws and Regulations

- A. Reference to standards, specifications, manuals, or codes of any technical society, organization, or association, or to Laws and Regulations, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the standard, specification, manual, code, or Laws and Regulations in effect at the time of opening of Bids (or on the Effective Date of the Agreement if there were no Bids), except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents.
- B. No provision of any such standard, specification, manual or code, or any instruction of a supplier shall be effective to change the duties or responsibilities of Buyer or Engineer, or any of their subcontractors, consultants, agents, or employees from those set forth in the Contract Documents, nor shall any such provision or instruction be effective to assign to Buyer or Engineer, or any of their consultants, agents, or employees any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of Seller's obligations or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the provisions of the Contract Documents.
- 3.03 Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies
  - A. *Reporting Discrepancies:* 
    - 1. Seller's Review of Contract Documents Before the Performance of the Contract: Before performance of the Contract, Seller shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents and check and verify pertinent figures therein and all applicable field measurements. Seller shall promptly report in writing to Engineer any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy which Seller discovers or has actual knowledge of and shall obtain a written interpretation or clarification from Engineer before proceeding with the furnishing of any Goods and Special Services affected thereby.
    - 2. Seller's Review of Contract Documents During the Performance of the Contract: If, during the performance of the Contract, Seller discovers any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy within the Contract Documents or between the Contract Documents and any provision of any Law or Regulation applicable to the performance of the Contract, any standard, specification, manual or code, or of any instruction of any Supplier, Seller shall promptly report it to Engineer in writing. Seller shall not proceed with the furnishing of the Goods and Special

Services affected thereby until an amendment to or clarification of the Contract Documents has been issued.

- 3. Seller shall not be liable to Buyer or Engineer for failure to report any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the Contract Documents unless Seller had actual knowledge thereof.
- B. *Resolving Discrepancies:* Except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents, the provisions of the Contract Documents shall take precedence in resolving any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy between the provisions of the Contract Documents and:
  - 1. the provisions of any standard, specification, manual, code, or instruction (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference in the Contract Documents); or
  - 2. the provisions of any Laws or Regulations applicable to the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services (unless such an interpretation of the provisions of the Contract Documents would result in violation of such Law or Regulation).
- 3.04 Amending and Clarifying Contract Documents
  - A. The Contract Documents may be amended to provide for additions, deletions, and revisions to the Goods and Special Services or to modify contractual terms and conditions by a Change Order.
  - B. Buyer may issue a Work Change Directive providing for additions, deletions, or revisions to the Goods and Special Services, in which case (1) the Contract Price shall be equitably adjusted to account for any reasonable and necessary credits to Buyer for any such deletion, or for costs (including reasonable overhead and profit) incurred by Seller to accommodate such an addition or revision and (2) the Contract Times shall be equitably adjusted to account for any impact on progress and completion of performance. Such adjustments subsequently shall be duly set forth in a Change Order.
  - C. The requirements of the Contract Documents may be supplemented, and minor variations and deviations in the Goods and Special Services may be authorized, by one or more of the following ways:
    - 1. A Field Order;
    - 2. Engineer's approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5.06.D.3); or
    - 3. Engineer's written interpretation or clarification.

# **ARTICLE 4 - BONDS AND INSURANCE**

#### 4.01 *Bonds*

- A. Seller shall furnish to Buyer performance and payment bonds, each in an amount at least equal to the Contract Price, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all of Seller's obligations under the Contract Documents. These bonds shall remain in effect until 1) one year after the date when final payment becomes due or 2) completion of the correction period specified in Paragraph 8.03, whichever is later, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents. Seller shall also furnish such other bonds as are required by the Contract Documents.
- B. All bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Financial Management Service, Surety Bond Branch, U.S. Department of the Treasury. All bonds signed by an agent or attorney-in-fact must be accompanied by a certified copy of that individual's authority to bind the surety. The evidence of authority shall show that it is effective on the date the agent or attorney-in-fact signed each bond.
- C. If the surety on any bond furnished by Seller is declared bankrupt or becomes insolvent or its right to do business is terminated in any state where any part of the Project is located or it ceases to meet the requirements of Paragraph 4.01.B, Seller shall promptly notify Buyer and Engineer and shall, within 20 days after the event giving rise to such notification, provide another bond and surety, both of which shall comply with the requirements of Paragraphs 4.01.B and 4.02.

#### 4.02 Insurance

- A. Seller shall provide insurance of the types and coverages and in the amounts stipulated in the Supplementary Conditions.
- B. Failure of Buyer to demand certificates of insurance or other evidence of Seller's full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of Buyer to identify a deficiency in compliance from the evidence provided shall not be construed as a waiver of Seller's obligation to maintain such insurance.
- C. Upon assignment of this Contract, Seller shall comply with the written request of assignee to provide certificates of insurance to assignee.
- D. Buyer does not represent that insurance coverage and limits established in this Contract necessarily will be adequate to protect Seller.

- E. The insurance and insurance limits required herein shall not be deemed as a limitation on Seller's liability under the indemnities granted to Buyer in the Contract Documents.
- 4.03 *Licensed Sureties and Insurers* 
  - A. All bonds and insurance required by the Contract Documents to be purchased and maintained by Buyer or Seller shall be obtained from surety or insurance companies that are duly licensed or authorized in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located to issue bonds or insurance policies for the limits and coverages so required. Such surety and insurance companies shall also meet such additional requirements and qualifications as may be provided in the Supplementary Conditions.

## **ARTICLE 5 - SELLER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 5.01 Supervision and Superintendence
  - A. Seller shall supervise, inspect, and direct the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform its obligations in accordance with the Contract Documents. Seller shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures necessary to perform its obligations in accordance with the Contract Documents. Seller shall not be responsible for the negligence of Buyer or Engineer in the design or specification of a specific means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure that is shown or indicated in and expressly required by the Contract Documents.
- 5.02 Labor, Materials and Equipment
  - A. Seller shall provide competent, qualified and trained personnel in all aspects of its performance of the Contract.
  - B. All Goods, and all equipment and material incorporated into the Goods, shall be as specified, and unless specified otherwise in the Contract Documents, shall be:
    - 1. new, and of good quality;
    - 2. protected, assembled, connected, cleaned, and conditioned in accordance with the original manufacturer's instructions; and
    - 3. shop assembled to the greatest extent practicable.

#### 5.03 Laws and Regulations

A. Seller shall give all notices required by and shall comply with all Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of its obligations in accordance with the Contract Documents. Except where otherwise expressly required by such Laws and Regulations,

neither Buyer nor Engineer shall be responsible for monitoring Seller's compliance with any Laws or Regulations.

- B. If Seller furnishes Goods and Special Services knowing or having reason to know that such furnishing is contrary to Laws or Regulations, Seller shall bear 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 performance. It shall not be Seller's responsibility to make certain that the Specifications and Drawings are in accordance with Laws and Regulations, but this provision shall not relieve Seller of Seller's obligations under Paragraph 3.03.
- C. Changes in Laws or Regulations not known at the time of opening of Bids (or, on the Effective Date of the Agreement if there were no Bids) having an effect on the cost or time of performance shall be the subject of an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times. If Buyer and Seller 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 9.06.
- 5.04 *Or Equals* 
  - A. Whenever the Goods, or an item of material or equipment to be incorporated into the Goods, are specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular supplier or manufacturer, the specification or description 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, other items of material or equipment or material or equipment of other suppliers or manufacturers may be submitted to Buyer for Engineer's review.
    - 1. If in Engineer's sole discretion, such an item of material or equipment proposed by Seller is functionally equal to that named and sufficiently similar so that no change in related work will be required, it may be considered by Engineer as an "or-equal" item.
    - 2. For the purposes of this paragraph, a proposed item of material or equipment may be considered functionally equal to an item so named only if:
      - a. in the exercise of reasonable judgment, Engineer determines that: 1) it is at least equal in quality, durability, appearance, strength, and design characteristics; 2) it will reliably perform at least equally well the function imposed by the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole; 3) it has an acceptable record of performance and availability of responsive service; and

- b. Seller certifies that if approved: 1) there will be no increase in any cost, including capital, installation or operating costs, to Buyer; and 2) the proposed item will conform substantially to the detailed requirements of the item named in the Contract Documents.
- B. *Engineer's Evaluation:* Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposal or submittal made pursuant to Paragraph 5.04.A. Engineer will be the sole judge of whether to accept or reject such a proposal or submittal. No "or-equal" will be ordered, manufactured or utilized until Engineer's review is complete, which will be evidenced by an approved Shop Drawing. Engineer will advise Buyer and Seller in writing of any negative determination. Notwithstanding Engineer's approval of an "or-equal" item, Seller shall remain obligated to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- C. *Special Guarantee:* Buyer may require Seller to furnish at Seller's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any such proposed "or-equal."
- D. *Data:* Seller shall provide all data in support of any such proposed "or-equal" at Seller's expense.
- 5.05 Taxes
  - A. Seller shall be responsible for all taxes and duties arising out of the sale of the Goods and the furnishing of Special Services. All taxes are included in the Contract Price, except as noted in the Supplementary Conditions.
- 5.06 Shop Drawings and Samples
  - A. Seller shall submit Shop Drawings and Samples to Buyer for Engineer's review and approval in accordance with the schedule required in Paragraph 2.06.A. All submittals will be identified as required and furnished in the number of copies specified in the Contract Documents. The data shown on the Shop Drawings will be complete with respect to quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, materials, and similar data to show Engineer the services, materials, and equipment Seller proposes to provide.
  - B. Where a Shop Drawing or Sample is required by the Contract Documents, any related work performed prior to Engineer's approval of the pertinent submittal will be at the sole expense and responsibility of Seller.
  - C. Submittal Procedures:
    - 1. Before submitting each Shop Drawing or Sample, Seller shall have determined and verified:

- a. all field measurements (if required), quantities, dimensions, specified performance criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information with respect thereto; and
- b. that all materials are suitable with respect to the indicated application, fabrication, shipping, handling, storage, assembly, and installation pertaining to the furnishing of Goods and Special Services.
- 2. Seller shall also have reviewed and coordinated each Shop Drawing or Sample with the Contract Documents.
- 3. Each submittal shall bear a stamp or include a written certification from Seller that Seller has reviewed the subject submittal and confirmed that it is in compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. Both Buyer and Engineer shall be entitled to rely on such certification from Seller.
- 4. With each submittal, Seller shall give Buyer and 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 both in a written communication separate from the submittal and by specific notation on each Shop Drawing or Sample.
- D. Engineer's Review:
  - 1. Engineer will provide timely review of Shop Drawings and Samples.
  - 2. Engineer's review and approval will be only to determine if the Goods and Special Services covered by the submittals will, after installation or incorporation in the Project, conform to the information given in the Contract Documents and be compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole.
  - 3. Engineer's review and approval shall not relieve Seller from responsibility for any variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents unless Seller has complied with the requirements of Paragraph 5.06.C.4 and Engineer has given written approval of each such variation by specific written notation thereof incorporated in or accompanying the Shop Drawing or Sample. Engineer's review and approval shall not relieve Seller from responsibility for complying with the requirements of Paragraph 5.06.C.1.
- E. Resubmittal Procedures:
  - 1. Seller shall make corrections required by Engineer and shall return the required number of corrected copies of Shop Drawings and submit, as required, new Samples for review and approval. Seller shall direct specific attention in writing

to any revisions other than the corrections called for by Engineer on previous submittals.

### 5.07 *Continuing Performance*

- A. Seller shall adhere to the progress schedule established in accordance with Paragraph 2.06.A., and the Goods shall be delivered and the Special Services furnished within the Contract Times specified in the Agreement.
- B. Seller shall carry on furnishing of the Goods and Special Services and adhere to the progress schedule during all disputes or disagreements with Buyer. No furnishing of Goods and Special Services shall be delayed or postponed pending resolution of any disputes or disagreements, except as permitted by Paragraphs 11.03 or 11.04, or as Buyer and Seller may otherwise agree in writing.

## 5.08 Seller's Warranties and Guarantees

- A. Seller warrants and guarantees to Buyer that the title to the Goods conveyed shall be proper, its transfer rightful, and free from any security interest, lien, or other encumbrance. Seller shall defend, indemnify, and hold Buyer harmless against any liens, claims, or demands contesting or affecting title of the Goods conveyed.
- B. Seller warrants and guarantees to Buyer that all Goods and Special Services will conform with the Contract Documents, and with the standards established by any Samples approved by Engineer. Engineer shall be entitled to rely on Seller's warranty and guarantee. If the Contract Documents do not otherwise specify the characteristics or the quality of the Goods, the Goods shall comply with the requirements of Paragraph 5.02.B.
- C. Seller's warranty and guarantee hereunder excludes defects or damage caused by:
  - 1. abuse, improper modification, improper maintenance, or improper operation by persons other than Seller; or
  - 2. corrosion or chemical attack, unless corrosive or chemically-damaging conditions were disclosed by Buyer in the Contract Documents and the Contract Documents required the Goods to withstand such conditions;
  - 3. use in a manner contrary to Seller's written instructions for installation, operation, and maintenance; or
  - 4. normal wear and tear under normal usage.
- D. Seller's obligation to furnish the Goods and Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents shall be absolute. None of the following will constitute an acceptance of Goods and Special Services that are non-conforming, or a release of Seller's obligation to furnish the Goods and Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents:

- 1. observations by Buyer or Engineer;
- 2. recommendation by Engineer or payment by Buyer of any progress or final payment;
- 3. use of the Goods by Buyer;
- 4. any acceptance by Buyer (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 8.02.D.1) or any failure to do so;
- 5. the issuance of a notice of acceptance by Buyer pursuant to the provisions of Article 8;
- 6. any inspection, test or approval by others; or
- 7. any correction of non-conforming Goods and Special Services by Buyer.
- E. Buyer shall promptly notify Seller of any breach of Seller's warranties or guarantees.
- F. Seller makes no implied warranties under this Contract.
- 5.09 Indemnification
  - A. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Seller shall indemnify and hold harmless Buyer and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, contractors, and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against 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 the performance of Seller's obligations under the Contract Documents, provided that any such claim, cost, loss, or damages attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Goods themselves), including the loss of use resulting therefrom, but only to the extent cause by any negligent act or omission of Seller, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by Seller or anyone for whose acts Seller may be liable.
  - B. In any and all claims against Buyer or Engineer or any of their respective assignees, consultants, agents, officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, contractors, or subcontractors, by any employee (or the survivor or personal representative of such employee) of Seller, any subcontractor, any supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to furnish any of the Goods and Special Services, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Paragraph 5.09.A shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for seller or any such subcontractor, supplier, or other individual or entity under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

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- C. The indemnification obligations of Seller under Paragraph 5.09.A shall not extend to the liability of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, and consultants arising out of:
  - 1. the preparation or approval of, or the failure to prepare or approve, maps, Drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, Change Orders, designs, or Specifications; or
  - 2. giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage.
- 5.10 Delegation of Professional Design Services
  - A. Seller will not be required to provide professional design services unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents or unless such services are required to carry out Seller's responsibilities for furnishing the Goods and Special Services. Seller shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable law.
  - B. If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to the Goods and Special Services are specifically required of Seller by the Contract Documents, Buyer and Engineer will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Seller shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by a properly licensed professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, Shop Drawings and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop Drawings and other submittals related to the Goods and Special Services designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to Engineer.
  - C. Buyer and Engineer shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy and completeness of the services, certifications or approvals performed by such design professionals, provided Buyer and Engineer have specified to Seller all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy.
  - D. Pursuant to this Paragraph 5.10, Engineer'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. Engineer's review and approval of Shop Drawings and other submittals (except design calculations and design drawings) will be only for the purpose stated in Paragraph 5.06.D.2.
  - E. Seller shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria required by the Contract Documents.

# **ARTICLE 6 - SHIPPING AND DELIVERY**

## 6.01 *Shipping*

A. Seller shall select the carrier and bear all costs of packaging, transportation, insurance, special handling and any other costs associated with shipment and delivery.

## 6.02 *Delivery*

- A. Seller shall deliver the Goods F.O.B. the Point of Destination in accordance with the Contract Times set forth in the Agreement, or other date agreed to by Buyer and Seller.
- B. Seller shall provide written notice to Buyer at least 10 days before shipment of the manner of shipment and the anticipated delivery date. The notice shall also include any instructions concerning special equipment or services required at the Point of Destination to unload and care for the Goods. Seller shall also require the carrier to give Buyer at least 24 hours notice by telephone prior to the anticipated time of delivery.
- C. Buyer will be responsible and bear all costs for unloading the Goods from carrier.
- D. Buyer will assure that adequate facilities are available to receive delivery of the Goods during the Contract Times for delivery set forth in the Agreement, or another date agreed by Buyer and Seller.
- E. No partial deliveries shall be allowed, unless permitted or required by the Contract Documents or agreed to in writing by Buyer.

# 6.03 Risk of Loss

- A. Risk of loss and insurable interests transfer from Seller to Buyer upon Buyer's receipt of the Goods.
- B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 6.03.A, if Buyer rejects the Goods as nonconforming, the risk of loss on such Goods shall remain with Seller until Seller corrects the non-conformity or Buyer accepts the Goods. If rejected Goods remain at the Point of Destination pending modification and acceptance, then Seller shall be responsible for arranging adequate protection and maintenance of the Goods at Seller's expense.
- 6.04 *Progress Schedule* 
  - A. Seller shall adhere to the progress schedule established in accordance with Paragraph 2.06 as it may be adjusted from time to time as provided below.
    - 1. Seller shall submit to Engineer for acceptance (to the extent indicated in Paragraph 2.06) proposed adjustments in the progress schedule that will not result in changing the Contract Times. Such adjustments will comply with any provisions of the General Requirements applicable thereto.

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2. Proposed adjustments in the progress schedule that will change the Contract Times shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Article 7. Adjustments in Contract Times may only be made by a Change Order.

# **ARTICLE 7 - CHANGES: SCHEDULE AND DELAY**

#### 7.01 *Changes in the Goods and Special Services*

- A. Buyer may at any time, without notice to any surety, make an addition, deletion, or other revision to the Contract Documents with respect to the Goods and Services, within the general scope of the Contract, by a Change Order or Work Change Directive. Upon receipt of any such document, Seller shall promptly proceed with performance pursuant to the revised Contract Documents (except as otherwise specifically provided).
- B. If Seller concludes that a Work Change Directive issued by Buyer affects the Contract Price or Contract Times, then Seller shall notify Buyer within 15 days after Seller has received the Work Change Directive, and submit written supporting data to Buyer within 45 days after such receipt. If Seller fails to notify Buyer within 15 days, Seller waives any Claim for such adjustment. If Buyer and Seller are unable to agree on entitlement to, or on the amount or extent, if any, of an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, that should be allowed as a result of a Work Change Directive, a Claim may be made therefor as provided in Paragraph 9.06.
- C. Seller shall not suspend performance while Buyer and Seller are in the process of making such changes and any related adjustments to Contract Price or Contract Times.

#### 7.02 Changing Contract Price or Contract Times

- A. The Contract Price or Contract Times may only be changed by a Change Order.
- B. Any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times shall be based on written notice submitted by the party making the Claim to the Engineer and the other party to the Contract in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 9.06.
- C. If Seller is prevented from delivering the Goods or performing the Special Services within the Contract Times for any unforeseen reason beyond its control and not attributable to its actions or inactions, then Seller shall be entitled to an adjustment of the Contract Times to the extent attributable to such reason. Such reasons include but are not limited to acts or neglect by Buyer, inspection delays, fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions, acts of God, and other like matters. If such an event occurs and delays Seller's performance, Seller shall notify Buyer in writing within 15 days of knowing or having reason to know of the beginning of the event causing the delay, stating the reason therefor.
- D. Seller shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delays within the control of Seller. Delays attributable to and within the control of

Seller's subcontractors or suppliers shall be deemed to be delays within the control of Seller.

- E. If Seller is prevented from delivering the Goods or furnishing the Special Services within the Contract Times due to the actions or inactions of Buyer, Seller shall be entitled to any reasonable and necessary additional costs arising out of such delay to the extent directly attributable to Buyer.
- F. Neither Buyer nor Seller shall be entitled to any damages arising from delays which are beyond the control of both Buyer and Seller, including but not limited to fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions, acts of God, and other like matters.

# **ARTICLE 8 - BUYER'S RIGHTS**

- 8.01 Inspections and Testing
  - A. General:
    - 1. The Contract Documents specify required inspections and tests. Buyer shall have the right to perform, or cause to be performed, reasonable inspections and require reasonable tests of the Goods at Seller's facility, and at the Point of Destination. Seller shall allow Buyer a reasonable time to perform such inspections or tests.
    - 2. Seller shall reimburse Buyer for all expenses, except for travel, lodging<sub>±</sub> and subsistence expenses of Buyer's and Engineer's representatives, for inspections and tests specified in the Contract Documents. If as the result of any such specified testing the Goods are determined to be non-conforming, then Seller shall also bear the travel, lodging, and subsistence expenses of Buyer's and Engineer's representatives, and all expenses of re-inspection or retesting.
    - 3. Buyer shall bear all expenses of inspections and tests that are not specified in the Contract Documents (other than any re-inspection or retesting resulting from a determination of non-conformity, as set forth in Paragraph 8.01.A.2 immediately above); provided, however, that if as the result of any such non-specified inspections or testing the Goods are determined to be non-conforming, then Seller shall bear all expenses of such inspections and testing, and of any necessary re-inspection and retesting.
    - 4. Seller shall provide Buyer timely written notice of the readiness of the Goods for all inspections, tests, or approvals which the Contract Documents specify are to be observed by Buyer prior to shipment.
    - 5. Buyer will give Seller timely notice of all specified tests, inspections<sub> $\pm$ </sub> and approvals of the Goods which are to be conducted at the Point of Destination.
    - 6. If, on the basis of any inspections or testing, the Goods appear to be conforming, Buyer will give Seller prompt notice thereof. If on the basis of said inspections or

testing, the Goods appear to be non-conforming, Buyer will give Seller prompt notice thereof and will advise Seller of the remedy Buyer elects under the provisions of Paragraph 8.02.

- 7. Neither payments made by Buyer to Seller prior to any tests or inspections, nor any tests or inspections shall constitute acceptance of non-conforming Goods, or prejudice Buyer's rights under the Contract.
- B. Inspection on Delivery:
  - 1. Buyer or Engineer will visually inspect the Goods upon delivery solely for purposes of identifying the Goods and general verification of quantities and observation of apparent condition in order to provide a basis for a progress payment. Such visual inspection will not be construed as final or as receipt of any Goods and Special Services that, as a result of subsequent inspections and tests, are determined to be non-conforming.
  - 2. Within ten days of such visual inspection, Buyer shall provide Seller with written notice of Buyer's determination regarding conformity of the Goods. In the event Buyer does not provide such notice, it will be presumed that the Goods appear to be conforming and that Buyer has acknowledged their receipt upon delivery.
  - 3. If, on the basis of the visual inspection specified in Paragraph 8.01.B.1, the Goods appear to be conforming, Buyer's notice thereof to Seller will acknowledge receipt of the Goods.
- C. Final Inspection:
  - 1. After all of the Goods have been incorporated into the Project, tested in accordance with such testing requirements as are specified, and are functioning as indicated, Buyer or Engineer will make a final inspection.
  - 2. If, on the basis of the final inspection, the Goods are conforming, Buyer's notice thereof will constitute Buyer's acceptance of the Goods.
  - 3. If, on the basis of the final inspection, the Goods are non-conforming, Buyer will identify the non-conformity in writing.

## 8.02 Non-Conforming Goods and Special Services

A. If, on the basis of inspections and testing prior to delivery, the Goods and Special Services are found to be non-conforming, or if at any time after Buyer has acknowledged receipt of delivery and before the expiration of the correction period described in Paragraph 8.03, Buyer determines that the Goods and Special Services are non-conforming, then Seller shall promptly, without cost to Buyer and in response to written instructions from Buyer, either correct such non-conforming Goods and Special Services,

or, if Goods are rejected by Buyer, remove and replace the non-conforming Goods with conforming Goods, including all work required for reinstallation.

- B. Buyer's Rejection of Non-Conforming Goods:
  - 1. If Buyer elects to reject the Goods in whole or in part, Buyer's notice to Seller will describe in sufficient detail the non-conforming aspect of the Goods. If Goods have been delivered to Buyer, Seller shall promptly, and within the Contract Times, remove and replace the rejected Goods.
  - 2. Seller shall bear all costs, losses and damages attributable to the removal and replacement of the non-conforming Goods as provided in Paragraph 8.02.E.
  - 3. Upon rejection of the Goods, Buyer retains a security interest in the Goods to the extent of any payments made and expenses incurred in their testing and inspection.
- C. Remedying Non-Conforming Goods and Special Services:
  - 1. If Buyer elects to permit the Seller to modify the Goods to correct the noncomformance, then Seller shall promptly provide a schedule for such modifications and shall make the Goods conforming within a reasonable time.
  - 2. If Buyer notifies Seller in writing that any of the Special Services are nonconforming, Seller shall promptly provide conforming services acceptable to Buyer. If Seller fails to do so, Buyer may delete the Special Services and reduce the Contract Price a commensurate amount.
- D. Buyer's Acceptance of Non-Conforming Goods:

Instead of requiring correction or removal and replacement of non-conforming Goods discovered either before or after final payment, Buyer may accept the non-conforming Goods. Seller shall bear all reasonable costs, losses, and damages attributable to Buyer's evaluation of and determination to accept such non-conforming Goods as provided in Paragraph 8.02.E.

E. Seller shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages, including but not limited to all fees and charges for re-inspection, retesting and for any engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals, and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs arising out of or relating to the non-conforming Goods and Special Services. Seller's obligations shall include the costs of the correction or removal and replacement of the nonconforming Goods and the replacement of property of Buyer and others destroyed by the correction or removal and replacement of the non-conforming Goods, and obtaining conforming Special Services from others.

## F. Buyer's Rejection of Conforming Goods:

If Buyer asserts that Goods and Special Services are non-conforming and such Goods and Special Services are determined to be conforming, or if Buyer rejects as non-conforming Goods and Special Services that are later determined to be conforming, then Seller shall be entitled to reimbursement from Buyer of costs incurred by Seller in inspecting, testing, correcting, removing, or replacing the conforming Goods and Special Services, including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals, and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs associated with the incorrect assertion of non-conformance or rejection of conforming Goods and Special Services.

### 8.03 Correction Period

A. Seller's responsibility for correcting all non-conformities in the Goods and Special Services will extend for a period of one year after the earlier of the date on which Buyer has placed the Goods in continuous service or the date of final payment, or for such longer period of time as may be prescribed by Laws or Regulations or by the terms of any specific provisions of the Contract Documents.

## **ARTICLE 9 - ROLE OF ENGINEER**

- 9.01 *Duties and Responsibilities* 
  - A. The duties and responsibilities and the limitations of authority of Engineer are set forth in the Contract Documents.

## 9.02 Clarifications and Interpretations

A. Engineer will issue with reasonable promptness such written clarifications or interpretations of the Contract Documents as Engineer may determine necessary, which shall be consistent with or reasonably inferable from the overall intent of the Contract Documents. Such written clarifications and interpretations will be binding on Buyer and Seller. If either Buyer or Seller believes that a written clarification or interpretation justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, either may make a Claim therefor.

## 9.03 Authorized Variations

A. Engineer may authorize minor deviations or variations in the Contract Documents by: 1) written approval of specific variations set forth in Shop Drawings when Seller has duly noted such variations as required in Paragraph 5.06.C.4, or 2) a Field Order.

## 9.04 Rejecting Non-Conforming Goods and Special Services

A. Engineer will have the authority to disapprove or reject Goods and Special Services that Engineer believes to be non-conforming. Engineer will also have authority to require special inspection or testing of the Goods or Special Services as provided in Paragraph 8.01 whether or not the Goods are fabricated or installed, or the Special Services are completed.

## 9.05 Decisions on Requirements of Contract Documents

- A. Engineer will be the initial interpreter of the Contract Documents and judge of the acceptability of the Goods and Special Services. Claims, disputes and other matters relating to the acceptability of the Goods and Special Services or the interpretation of the requirements of the Contract Documents pertaining to Seller's performance will be referred initially to Engineer in writing with a request for a formal decision in accordance with this paragraph.
- B. When functioning as interpreter and judge under this Paragraph 9.05, Engineer will not show partiality to Buyer or Seller and will not be liable in connection with any interpretation or decision rendered in good faith in such capacity. The rendering of a decision by Engineer pursuant to this Paragraph 9.05 with respect to any such Claim, dispute, or other matter (except any which have been waived by the making or acceptance of final payment as provided in Paragraph 10.07) will be a condition precedent to any exercise by Buyer or Seller of such rights or remedies as either may otherwise have under the Contract Documents or by Laws or Regulations in respect of any such Claim, dispute, or other matter.

#### 9.06 *Claims and Disputes*

- A. *Notice*: Written notice of each Claim relating to the acceptability of the Goods and Special Services or the interpretation of the requirements of the Contract Documents pertaining to either party's performance shall be delivered by the claimant to Engineer and the other party to the Agreement within 15 days after the occurrence of the event giving rise thereto, and written supporting data shall be submitted to Engineer and the other party within 45 days after such occurrence unless Engineer allows an additional period of time to ascertain more accurate data.
- B. *Engineer's Decision*: Engineer will review each such Claim and render a decision in writing within 30 days after receipt of the last submittal of the claimant or the last submittal of the opposing party, if any.
- C. If Engineer does not render a formal written decision on a Claim within the time stated in Paragraph 9.06.B., Engineer shall be deemed to have issued a decision denying the Claim in its entirety 31 days after receipt of the last submittal of the claimant or the last submittal of the opposing party, if any.

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- D. Engineer's written decision on such Claim or a decision denying the Claim in its entirety that is deemed to have been issued pursuant to Paragraph 9.06.C, will be final and binding upon Buyer and Seller 30 days after it is issued unless within 30 days of issuance Buyer or Seller appeals Engineer's decision by initiating the mediation of such Claim in accordance with the dispute resolution procedures set forth in Article 13.
- E. If Article 13 has been amended to delete the mediation requirement, then Buyer or Seller may appeal Engineer's decision within 30 days of issuance by following the alternative dispute resolution process set forth in Article 13, as amended; or if no such alternative dispute resolution process has been set forth, Buyer or Seller may appeal Engineer's decision by 1) delivering to the other party within 30 days of the date of such decision a written notice of intent to submit the Claim to a court of competent jurisdiction, and 2) within 60 days after the date of such decision instituting a formal proceeding in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- F. No Claim for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times will be valid if not submitted in accordance with this Paragraph 9.06.
- G. The parties agree to endeavor to avoid or resolve Claims through direct, good faith discussions and negotiations whenever practicable. Such discussions and negotiations should at the outset address whether the parties mutually agree to suspend the time periods established in this Paragraph 9.06; if so, a written record of such mutual agreement should be made and jointly executed.

# **ARTICLE 10 - PAYMENT**

## 10.01 Applications for Progress Payments

- A. Seller shall submit to Buyer for Engineer's review Applications for Payment filled out and signed by Seller and accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents and also as Buyer or Engineer may reasonably require. The timing and amounts of progress payments shall be as stipulated in the Agreement.
  - 1. The first application for Payment will be submitted after review and approval by Engineer of all Shop Drawings and of all Samples required by the Contract Documents.
  - 2. The second Application for Payment will be submitted after receipt of the Goods has been acknowledged in accordance with Paragraph 8.01.B and will be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice, or other documentation reasonably satisfactory to Buyer warranting that Buyer has rightfully received good title to the Goods from Seller and that, upon payment, the Goods will be free and clear of all liens. Such documentation will include releases and waivers from all parties with viable lien rights. In the case of multiple deliveries of Goods, additional Applications for Payment accompanied by the required documentation will be submitted as Buyer acknowledges receipt of additional items of the Goods.

### 10.02 Review of Applications for Progress Payments

- A. Engineer will, within ten days after receipt of each Application for Payment, either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the Application to Buyer, or return the Application to Seller indicating in writing Engineer's reasons for refusing to recommend payment. In the latter case, Seller may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application.
  - 1. Engineer's recommendation of payment requested in the first Application for Payment will constitute a representation by Engineer, based on Engineer's review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data, that the Shop Drawings and Samples have been reviewed and approved as required by the Contract Documents and Seller is entitled to payment of the amount recommended.
  - 2. Engineer's recommendation of payment requested in the Application for Payment submitted upon Buyer's acknowledgment of receipt of the Goods will constitute a representation by Engineer, based on Engineer's review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data Seller is entitled to payment of the amount recommended. Such recommendation will not constitute a representation that Engineer has made a final inspection of the Goods, that the Goods are free from non-conformities, acceptable or in conformance with the Contract Documents, that Engineer has made any investigation as to Buyer's title to the Goods, that exhaustive or continuous inspections have been made to check the quality or the quantity of the Goods beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer in the Contract Documents or that there may not be other matters or issues between the parties that might entitle Seller to additional payments by Buyer or Buyer to withhold payment to Seller.
  - 3. Engineer may refuse to recommend that all or any part of a progress payment be made, or Engineer may nullify all or any part of any payment previously recommended if, in Engineer's opinion, such recommendation would be incorrect or if on the basis of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent inspections or tests Engineer considers such refusal or nullification necessary to protect Buyer from loss because the Contract Price has been reduced, Goods are found to be non-conforming, or Seller has failed to furnish acceptable Special Services.

## 10.03 Amount and Timing of Progress Payments

A. Subject to Paragraph 10.02.A., the amounts of the progress payments will be as provided in the Agreement. Buyer shall within 30 days after receipt of each Application for Payment with Engineer's recommendation pay Seller the amount recommended; but, in the case of the Application for Payment upon Buyer's acknowledgment of receipt of the Goods, said 30-day period may be extended for so long as is necessary (but in no event more than 60 days) for Buyer to examine the bill of sale and other documentation submitted therewith. Buyer shall notify Seller promptly of any deficiency in the documentation and shall not unreasonably withhold payment.

- 10.04 Suspension of or Reduction in Payment
  - A. Buyer may suspend or reduce the amount of progress payments, even though recommended for payment by Engineer, under the following circumstances:
    - 1. Buyer has reasonable grounds to conclude that Seller will not furnish the Goods or the Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents, and
    - 2. Buyer has requested in writing assurances from Seller that the Goods and Special Services will be delivered or furnished in accordance with the Contract Documents, and Seller has failed to provide adequate assurances within ten days of Buyer's written request.
  - B. If Buyer refuses to make payment of the full amount recommended by Engineer, Buyer will provide Seller and Engineer immediate written notice stating the reason for such action and promptly pay Seller any amount remaining after deduction of the amount withheld. Buyer shall promptly pay Seller the amount withheld when Seller corrects the reason for such action to Buyer's satisfaction.
- 10.05 Final Application for Payment
  - A. After Seller has corrected all non-conformities to the reasonable satisfaction of Buyer and Engineer, furnished all Special Services, and delivered all documents required by the Contract Documents, Engineer will issue to Buyer and Seller a notice of acceptance. Seller may then make application for final payment following the procedure for progress payments. The final Application for Payment will be accompanied by all documentation called for in the Contract Documents, a list of all unsettled Claims, and such other data and information as Buyer or Engineer may reasonably require.

#### 10.06 Final Payment

A. If, on the basis of final inspection and the review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation, Engineer is reasonably satisfied that Seller has furnished the Goods and Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents, and that Seller's has fulfilled all other obligations under the Contract Documents, then Engineer will, within ten days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, recommend in writing final payment subject to the provisions of Paragraph 10.07 and present the Application to Buyer. Otherwise, Engineer will return the Application to Seller, indicating the reasons for refusing to recommend final payment, in which case Seller shall make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application for payment. If the Application and accompanying documentation are appropriate as to form and substance, Buyer shall, within 30 days after receipt thereof, pay Seller the amount recommended by Engineer, less any sum Buyer is entitled to set off against Engineer's recommendation, including but not limited to liquidated damages to which Buyer is entitled.

- 10.07 Waiver of Claims
  - A. The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute:
    - 1. a waiver of all Claims by Buyer against Seller, except Claims arising from unsettled liens from non-conformities in the Goods or Special Services appearing after final payment, from Seller's failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein, or from Seller's continuing obligations under the Contract Documents; and
    - 2. a waiver of all Claims by Seller against Buyer (other than those previously made in accordance with the requirements herein and listed by Seller as unsettled as required in Paragraph 10.05.A, and not resolved in writing).

# ARTICLE 11 - CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION, AND TERMINATION

- 11.01 Cancellation
  - A. Buyer has the right to cancel the Contract, without cause, at any time prior to delivery of the Goods by written notice. Cancellation pursuant to the terms of this paragraph shall not constitute a breach of contract by Buyer. Upon cancellation:
    - 1. Buyer shall pay Seller for the direct costs incurred in producing any Goods that Seller has specially manufactured for the Project, plus a fair and reasonable amount for overhead and profit.
    - 2. For Goods that are not specially manufactured for the Project, Seller shall be entitled to a restocking charge of 10 percent of the unpaid Contract Price of such Goods.

## 11.02 Suspension of Performance by Buyer

A. Buyer has the right to suspend performance of the Contract for up to a maximum of ninety days, without cause, by written notice. Upon suspension under this paragraph, Seller shall be entitled to an increase in the Contract Times and Contract Price caused by the suspension, provided that performance would not have been suspended or delayed for causes attributable to Seller.

## 11.03 Suspension of Performance by Seller

A. Subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5.07.B, Seller may suspend the furnishing of the Goods and Special Services only under the following circumstance:

- 1. Seller has reasonable grounds to conclude that Buyer will not perform its future payment obligations under the Contract; and,
- 2. Seller has requested in writing assurances from Buyer that future payments will be made in accordance with the Contract, and Buyer has failed to provide such assurances within ten days of Seller's written request.

## 11.04 Breach and Termination

- A. Buyer's Breach:
  - 1. Buyer shall be deemed in breach of the Contract if it fails to comply with any material provision of the Contract Documents, including but not limited to:
    - a. wrongful rejection or revocation of Buyer's acceptance of the Goods,
    - b. failure to make payments in accordance with the Contract Documents, or
    - c. wrongful repudiation of the Contract.
  - 2. Seller shall have the right to terminate the Contract for cause by declaring a breach should Buyer fail to comply with any material provisions of the Contract. Upon termination, Seller shall be entitled to all remedies provided by Laws and Regulations.
    - a. In the event Seller believes Buyer is in breach of its obligations under the Contract, Seller shall provide Buyer with reasonably prompt written notice setting forth in sufficient detail the reasons for declaring that it believes a breach has occurred. Buyer shall have seven days from receipt of the written notice declaring the breach (or such longer period of time as Seller may grant in writing) within which to cure or to proceed diligently to cure such alleged breach.
- B. Seller's Breach:
  - 1. Seller shall be deemed in breach of the Contract if it fails to comply with any material provision of the Contract Documents, including, but not limited to:
    - a. failure to deliver the Goods or perform the Special Services in accordance with the Contract Documents,
    - b. wrongful repudiation of the Contract, or
    - c. delivery or furnishing of non-conforming Goods and Special Services.
  - 2. Buyer may terminate Seller's right to perform the Contract for cause by declaring a breach should Seller fail to comply with any material provision of the Contract

Documents. Upon termination, Buyer shall be entitled to all remedies provided by Laws and Regulations.

- a. In the event Buyer believes Seller is in breach of its obligations under the Contract, and except as provided in Paragraph 11.04.B.2.b, Buyer shall provide Seller with reasonably prompt written notice setting forth in sufficient detail the reasons for declaring that it believes a breach has occurred. Seller shall have seven days from receipt of the written notice declaring the breach (or such longer period of time as Buyer may grant in writing) within which to cure or to proceed diligently to cure such alleged breach.
- b. If and to the extent that Seller has provided a performance bond under the provisions of Paragraph 4.01, the notice and cure procedures of that bond, if any, shall supersede the notice and cure procedures of Paragraph 11.04.B.2.a.

## **ARTICLE 12 - LICENSES AND FEES**

#### 12.01 Intellectual Property and License Fees

- A. Unless specifically stated elsewhere in the Contract Documents, Seller is not transferring any intellectual property rights, patent rights, or licenses for the Goods delivered. However, in the event the Seller is manufacturing to Buyer's design, Buyer retains all intellectual property rights in such design.
- B. Seller shall pay all license fees and royalties and assume all costs incident to the use or the furnishing of the Goods, unless specified otherwise by the Contract Documents.

#### 12.02 Seller's Infringement

- A. Subject to Paragraph 12.01.A, Seller shall indemnify and hold harmless Buyer, Engineer and their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, contractors, and subcontractors from and against all claims, costs, losses, damages, and judgments (including but not limited to all reasonable 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 any infringement or alleged infringement of any United States or foreign patent or copyright by any of the Goods as delivered hereunder.
- B. In the event of suit or threat of suit for intellectual property infringement, Buyer will promptly\_notify Seller of receiving notice thereof.
- C. Seller shall promptly defend the claim or suit, including negotiating a settlement. Seller shall have control over such claim or suit, provided that Seller agrees to bear all expenses and to satisfy any adverse judgment thereof.

- 1. If Seller fails to defend such suit or claim after written notice by Buyer, Seller will be bound in any subsequent suit or claim against Seller by Buyer by any factual determination in the prior suit or claim.
- 2. If Buyer fails to provide Seller the opportunity to defend such suit or claim after written notice by Seller, Buyer shall be barred from any remedy against Seller for such suit or claim.
- D. If a determination is made that Seller has infringed upon intellectual property rights of another, Seller may obtain the necessary licenses for Buyer's benefit, or replace the Goods and provide related design and construction as necessary to avoid the infringement at Seller's own expense.
- 12.03 Buyer's Infringement
  - A. Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless Seller, and its officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants, contractors, and subcontractors from and against all claims, costs, losses, damages, and judgments (including but not limited to all reasonable 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 any infringement or alleged infringement of any United States or foreign patent or copyright caused by Seller's compliance with Buyer's design of the Goods or Buyer's use of the Goods in combination with other materials or equipment in any process (unless intent of such use was known to Seller and Seller had reason to know such infringement would result).
  - B. In the event of suit or threat of suit for intellectual property infringement, Seller must after receiving notice thereof promptly notify Buyer.
  - C. Upon written notice from Seller, Buyer shall be given the opportunity to defend the claim or suit, including negotiating a settlement. Buyer shall have control over such claim or suit, provided that Buyer agrees to bear all expenses and to satisfy any adverse judgment thereof.
    - 1. If Buyer fails to defend such suit or claim after written notice by Seller, Buyer will be bound in any subsequent suit or claim against Buyer by Seller by any factual determination in the prior suit or claim.
    - 2. If Seller fails to provide Buyer the opportunity to defend such suit or claim after written notice by Buyer, Seller shall be barred from any remedy against Buyer for such suit or claim.

## 12.04 *Reuse of Documents*

A. Neither Seller nor any other person furnishing any of the Goods and Special Services under a direct or indirect contract with Seller shall: (1) acquire any title to or ownership

rights in any of the Drawings, Specifications, or other documents (or copies of any thereof) prepared by or bearing the seal of Engineer or its consultants, including electronic media versions; or (2) reuse any of such Drawings, Specifications, other documents, or copies thereof on any other project without written consent of Buyer and Engineer and specific written verification or adaptation by Engineer. This prohibition will survive termination or completion of the Contract. Nothing herein shall preclude Seller from retaining copies of the Contract Documents for record purposes.

## 12.05 *Electronic Data*

- A. Unless otherwise stated in the Supplementary Conditions, copies of data furnished by Buyer or Engineer to Seller, or by Seller to Buyer 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.
- B. Because data stored in electronic media format can deteriorate or be modified inadvertently or otherwise without authorization of the data's creator, the party receiving electronic files agrees that it will perform acceptance tests or procedures within 60 days, after which the receiving party shall be deemed to have accepted the data thus transferred. The transferring party will correct any errors detected within the 60-day acceptance period.
- C. When transferring documents in electronic media format, the transferring party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of documents resulting from the use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used by the data's creator.

## **ARTICLE 13 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

## 13.01 Dispute Resolution Method

- A. Either Buyer or Seller may initiate the mediation of any Claim decided in writing by Engineer under Paragraph 9.06.B or 9.06.C before such decision becomes final and binding. The mediation will be governed by the Construction Industry Mediation Rules of the American Arbitration Association in effect as of the Effective Date of the Agreement. The request for mediation shall be submitted in writing to the American Arbitration Association and the other party to the Contract. Timely submission of the request shall stay the Engineer's decision from becoming final and binding.
- B. Buyer and Seller shall participate in the mediation process in good faith. The process shall be concluded within 60 days of filing of the request. The date of termination of the mediation shall be determined by application of the mediation rules referenced above.

- C. If the mediation process does not result in resolution of the Claim, then Engineer's written decision under Paragraph 9.06.B or a denial pursuant to Paragraph 9.06.C shall become final and binding 30 days after termination of the mediation unless, within that time period, Buyer or Seller:
  - 1. elects in writing to invoke any dispute resolution process provided for in the Supplementary Conditions, or
  - 2. agrees with the other party to submit the Claim to another dispute resolution process, or
  - 3. if no dispute resolution process has been provided for in the Supplementary Conditions, delivers to the other party written notice of the intent to submit the Claim to a court of competent jurisdiction, and within 60 days of the termination of the mediation institutes such formal proceeding.

## **ARTICLE 14 - MISCELLANEOUS**

- 14.01 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: 1) delivered in person to the individual or to a member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for whom it is intended, or 2) if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the giver of the notice.

## 14.02 Controlling Law

- A. This Contract is to be governed by the law of the state in which the Point of Destination is located.
- B. In the case of any conflict between the express terms of this Contract and the Uniform Commercial Code, as adopted in the state whose law governs, it is the intent of the parties that the express terms of this Contract shall apply.

## 14.03 Computation of Time

A. When any period of time is referred to in the Contract Documents 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 shall be omitted from the computation.

#### 14.04 Cumulative Remedies

A. The duties and obligations imposed by these General Conditions and the rights and remedies available hereunder to the parties hereto 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, and 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.

## 14.05 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 Goods and Special Services and termination or completion of the Agreement.

#### 14.06 Entire Agreement

A. Buyer and Seller agree that this Agreement is the complete and final agreement between them, and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. This Agreement may not be altered, modified, or amended except in writing signed by an authorized representative of both parties This page intentionally blank.

#### SECTION 00800 SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

These Supplementary Conditions amend or supplement the Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, EJCDC C-700 (2013 Edition). All provisions which are not so amended or supplemented remain in full force and effect.

The terms used in these Supplementary Conditions have the meanings stated in the General Conditions. Additional terms used in these Supplementary Conditions have the meanings stated below, which are applicable to both the singular and plural thereof.

The address system used in these Supplementary Conditions is the same as the address system used in the General Conditions, with the prefix "SC" added thereto.

#### SC-2.04 Commencement of Contract Times; Notice to Proceed

## Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 2.04.A

The Instructions, Bid Form, Agreement, and General Conditions establish a schedule of events from the opening of Bids to the day when the Contract Times must start to run.

The events contemplated by the proposed schedule, based on a 60-day period for Bids to remain subject to acceptance, may be summarized as follows:

#### Day 1 Bid Opening

Day 1-35, or pre-opening. Within 5 days of a request therefor each Bidder must submit to Buyer written evidence of Bidder's qualifications as provided in I-4.

Day 36 Notice of Award should be given to Successful Bidder by this date in order to complete the two subsequent events within the time specified and not exceed the 60-day period for Bids to remain open. Notice of Award must be accompanied by the Agreement in form for signing and with all exhibits attached (see I-20.01).

Day 51 By this date (or within 15 days of delivery of Notice of Award) Successful Bidder

(Seller) must return the signed Agreement, evidence of insurance, and other required documents to Buyer (see I-20.01). Failure to do so will permit forfeiture of Bid security under I-8.02.

Day 61 By this date (or within 10 days of receipt of signed Agreement and other documents from Seller) Buyer must sign and deliver to Seller one signed counterpart of Agreement with all Exhibits attached (see I-20.01). This is usually the Effective Date of the Agreement.

Day 61 The Contract Times must start running no later than this date (or 30 days after the Effective Date of the Agreement if that is earlier), but by use of a Notice to Proceed as contemplated by GC-2.03 they may start running earlier than that once the Agreement has been signed by both parties and has become effective.

#### SC-4.02 Insurance;

# Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 4.02.E

F. Seller shall purchase and maintain such liability and other insurance as is appropriate for the furnishing of Goods and Special Services and as will provide protection from claims set forth below which may arise out of or result from Seller's furnishing of the Goods or Special Services and Seller's other obligations under the Contract Documents, whether the furnishing of

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Goods and Special Services or other obligations are to be performed by Seller, any subcontractor or supplier, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them to furnish the Goods and Special Services, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable:

1. claims under workers' compensation, disability benefits, and other similar employee benefit acts;

2. claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of Seller's employees;

3. claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than Seller's employees;

4. claims for damages insured by reasonably available personal injury liability coverage which are sustained: (i) by any person as a result of an offense directly or indirectly related to the employment of such person by Seller, or (ii) by any other person for any other reason;

5. claims for damages, other than to the Goods, because of injury to or destruction of tangible property wherever located, including loss of use resulting therefrom; and

6. claims for damages because of bodily injury or death of any person or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any motor vehicle.

G. The policies of insurance so required by this Paragraph 4.02 to be purchased and maintained shall:

1. with respect to insurance required by Paragraphs SC-4.02.F.3 through SC-4.02.F.6 inclusive, include as additional insureds (subject to any customary exclusion in respect of professional liability) Buyer, Engineer, their consultants, and [Here list by name, (not Project role) other persons or entities to be included on policy as additional insureds] all of whom shall be listed as additional insureds, and include coverage for the respective officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, and other consultants and subcontractors of each and any of all such additional insureds, and the insurance afforded to these additional insureds shall provide primary coverage for all claims covered thereby;

2. include at least the specific coverages and be written for not less than the limits of liability provided below or required by Laws or Regulations, whichever is greater;

3. include completed operations insurance;

4. include contractual liability insurance covering Seller's indemnity obligations under Paragraphs 5.09 and 12.02.

5. contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled, materially changed or renewal refused until at least thirty days prior written notice has been given to Buyer and Seller and to each other additional insured identified in these Supplementary Conditions to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued (and the certificates of insurance furnished by the Seller pursuant to Paragraph SC-4.02.I will so provide);

6. remain in effect at least until final payment and at all times thereafter when Seller may be correcting, removing, or replacing nonconforming Goods in accordance with Paragraph 8.03;

7. with respect to completed operations insurance, and any insurance coverage written on a claimsmade basis, remain in effect for at least two years after final payment (and Seller shall furnish Buyer and each other additional insured identified in these Supplementary Conditions, to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued, evidence satisfactory to Buyer and any such additional insured of continuation of such insurance at final payment and one year thereafter); and

8. with respect to any delegation of professional design services to Seller pursuant to Paragraph

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5.10 of the General Conditions, include professional liability coverage by endorsement or otherwise.

H. The limits of liability for the insurance required by Paragraph SC-4.02.F shall provide coverage for not less than the following amounts or greater where required by Laws and Regulations:

1. Workers' Compensation, and related coverages under Paragraphs SC-4.02.F.1 and F.2:

- a. State ..... Statutory
- b. Applicable Federal ..... Statutory
- c. Employer's Liability: .....\$100,000 (Each Person)

2. Seller's General Liability under Paragraphs SC-4.02.F.3 through F.6 which shall include completed operations and product liability coverages and eliminate the exclusion with respect to property under the care, custody and control of Seller:

- a. General Aggregate .....\$2,000,000
- b. Products Completed1) Operations Aggregate ......\$2,000,000
- c. Personal and Advertising
  - 1) Injury.....\$1,000,000

d. Property Damage liability insurance will provide Explosion, Collapse, and Underground coverages where applicable.

- e. Excess or Umbrella Liability
  - 1) General Aggregate .....\$1,000,000
  - 2) Each Occurrence ......\$1,000,000

3. Automobile Liability under Paragraph SC-4.02.F.6:

a. Bodily Injury:

1)	Each person	\$1	,000,000
2)	Each Accident	\$2	.000.000

#### b. Property Damage:

- 1) Each Accident...... \$1,000,000
- 2) Combined Single Limit of ..... \$2,000,000

The reference to a "combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage" will normally allow the insurance broker to negotiate the most advantageous arrangement for the insureds, and either alternative should be acceptable although the coverages provided may not be identical. Other variations are available.

- 4. Professional Liability (if professional services have been delegated to Seller pursuant to Paragraph 5.10):..... \$1,000,000
- 5. I. Seller shall deliver to Buyer, with copies to each additional insured identified in these Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance requested by Buyer or any other additional insured) which Seller is required to purchase and maintain.

J. If Buyer has any objection to the coverage afforded by or other provisions of the insurance required to be purchased and maintained on the basis of non-conformance with the Contract Documents, Buyer shall notify Seller in writing within 10 days after receipt of the certificates or other evidence required by Paragraph SC-4.02.E. Seller shall provide such additional information in respect to insurance as Buyer shall reasonably request.

#### SC-5.03 Laws and Regulations

## Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 5.03.C

D. This project is wholly or partially funded with United States Environmental Protection Agency funds, and therefore must comply with all federal cross cutter requirements. Neither the United States nor its department's agencies or employees

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is or will be party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract. This procurement will be subject to regulations contained in 40CFR part 31 including the Davis Bacon Act requirements.

E. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, 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 their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, 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 to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended.

F. To ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) have the opportunity to compete for procurements funded by EPA financial assistance, all Bidders shall make the six

good faith efforts as outlined by EPA at http://www.epa.gov/osbp/dbe\_efforts.htm. The Bidder must make a good faith effort to solicit and hire Disadvantaged Business to meet the goals outlined in EPA XP-215. A good faith effort requires that the Contractor: 1) Complete the affirmative steps outlined in XP-215, 2) Submit XP-215 with the bid proposal, 3) Submit with the bid proposal proof that affirmative steps have been taken and this should include copies of advertisements and letters of solicitation. A Proposal that omits XP-215 or does not support that a good faith effort was made will be considered non-responsive and the Bid Proposal rejected.

#### SC-5.06 Shop Drawings and Samples

# Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 5.06.E:

F. Seller shall furnish required submittals with sufficient information and accuracy in order to obtain required approval of an item with no more than three submittals. Engineer will record Engineer's time for reviewing subsequent submittals of Shop Drawings, samples, or other items requiring approval and Seller shall reimburse Buyer for Engineer's charges for such time.

G. In the event that Seller requests a change of a previously approved item, Seller shall reimburse Buyer for Engineer's charges for its review time unless the need for such change is beyond the control of Seller

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#### SECTION 00801 NMED CPB SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS FOR FEDERALLY ASSISTED STORM WATER AND/OR WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER THE CWSRF

See the attached pages for the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, New Mexico Environmental Department Construction Programs Bureau, Supplemental Conditions For Federally Assisted Storm Water and/or Wastewater Infrastructures Under the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Revised October 2014.

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## SECTION 00801

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 6 NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS BUREAU

**Supplemental conditions** 

for

Federally Assisted Storm Water and/or Wastewater Infrastructures under the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Revised October 2014

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## **REQUIRED FEDERAL FORMS**

Forms that must be submitted within bidder's proposal:

- 1. XP-211 Certifications Regarding Contract under Equal Opportunity Clause & Non-Segregated Facilities
- 2. XP-215 MBW/WBE/SBRA Utilization Form along with proof of solicitation (i.e. newspaper advertisement, letters of solicitation)
- 3. XP-315 Davis Bacon Certification
- 4. 5700-49 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension & Other Responsibility Matters
- 5. 6100-2
- 6. 6100-3
- 7. 6100-4
- 8. AIS CWSRF 314

Form to be provided with every construction pay application:

- 9. XP-214 Labor Standards Certification
- 10. AIS Material certification signed by supplier and/or manufacturer



- Copeland Anti-Kickback, 29 CFR Part 3 <u>http://www.dol.gov/compliance/laws/comp-copeland.htm</u>
- Suspension and Debarment, Subpart C of 2 CFR 180 and 1532 http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/textidx?c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr180\_main\_02.tpl http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr\_2009/janqtr/pdf/2cfr1532.332.pdf
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, 40 CFR Part 33 <u>http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-</u> idx?c=ecfr&rgn=div5&view=text&node=40:1.0.1.2.30&idno=40
- Equal Employment Opportunity, 41 CFR Part 60 http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/textidx?c=ecfr&rgn=div5&view=text&node=41:1.2.3.1.1&idno=41
- Labor Standards, 29 CFR Parts 4 & 6 http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title29/29cfr4\_main\_02.tpl http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/textidx?c=ecfr&sid=99c9a20e960f56be66f17ae91b52c888&rgn=div5&view=text&node=29:1.1.1.1. 7&idno=29
- Nondiscrimination, 40 CFR Part 7 http://www.epa.gov/ocr/docs/40p0007.pdf
- OMB Circular A-133 http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/a133\_compliance/app\_7.pdf
- Reissuance of NPDES General Permits for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Sites in Region 6- Federal Register <u>http://www.epa.gov/region6/6en/w/sw/swcon98.pdf</u>
- Uniform Administrative Requirements, 40 CFR Part 31 <u>http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-</u> idx?c=ecfr&rgn=div5&view=text&node=40:1.0,1.2.29&idno=40

Model Contract Clauses-Attached

NPDES Bypass Policy-Attached

Federal Cross-Cutters---Attached

Detailed Guidance on the American Iron and Steel Requirements can be found at: http://water.epa.gov/grants\_funding/aisrequirement.cfm

Enhancing Public Awareness of SRF Assistance Agreements - memo dated 6/3/2015 -attached

#### XP-211

## BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION\* In Compliance with Equal Employment Opportunity and Nonsegregated Facilities

Project Number

Project Name	
Contract For	

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The following certifications must be completed by the bidder for each contract.

## A. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

- ( ) I have developed and have on file at my each establishment affirmative action programs pursuant to 41 CFR Part 60-2.
- () I have participated in previous contract(s) or subcontract(s) subject to the equal opportunity clause under **Executive Orders 11246 and 11375**. I have filed all reports due under the requirements contained in 41 CFR 60-1.7.
- ( ) I have not participated in previous contract(s) subject to the equal opportunity clause under **Executive Orders 11246 and 11375**.
- () I will obtain a similar certification from any proposed subcontractor(s), when appropriate.

#### **B. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES**

() I certify that I do not and will not maintain any facilities provided for my employees in a segregated manner, or permit my employees to perform their services at any location under my control where segregated facilities are maintained; and that I will obtain a similar certification prior to the award of any federally assisted subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the equal opportunity clause as required by 41 CFR 60-1.8.

I understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection of this bid proposal or termination of the contract award.

Typed Name & Title of Bidder's Authorized Representative

Signature of Bidder's Authorized Representative

Date

Name & Address of Bidder

#### XP-214

## CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTOR STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH LABOR STANDARDS

In accordance with Title 29, Subtitle A, Part 5, Section 5.6(a)(1), each monthly pay application must be accompanied by the following certification executed by each prime contractor employing mechanics and laborers at the site on work in which the New Mexico Environment Department Clean Water State Revolving Loan makes funds available to participate:

Pay Application No. for period			to	
Name of Project		Location		
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labor standards as set fort Contract Work Hours and	h in the Davis-Bac Safety Standards	con Act, the Copela Act, have been co	specified under the applica and "Anti-Kickback" Act mplied with by	and the
subcontractor employing	mechanics or labo the required prov	rers at the site of the site o	(Name of Contractor) he work, or there is a subst fy that I have submitted al f grantee).	tantial
Typed Name & Title of	f Contractor's Auth	horized Representa	itive	
Signature of Contractor	r's Authorized Rep	presentative	Date	
	Owner/Gran	tee Certification		

I hereby certify that the above is true to the best of my knowledge and that I have reviewed all certified payroll supplied by the prime contractor and certify that it meets all labor standards as set forth in the Davis Bacon Act.

Signature of Grantee Authorized Representative

Date

I understand that 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.

## XP-215 MBE/WBE/SBRA UTILIZATION INFORMATION SHEET

**NOTE:** The bidder shall complete the following Minority/Women's/Small Business in Rural Area (MBE/WBE/SBRA) utilization information whenever they solicit sub contract construction work and/or services and purchase of equipment and supplies for the project in order to provide the fair share of the total dollar amount of the contract for

1. Do you maintain and update qualified MBE, WBE, and SBRA on your solicitation lists for supplies, equipment, construction and/or service? Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

If yes, when did you update your MBE/WBE/SBRA solicitation lists?

 Do you maintain a list of minority, women and rural small business-focused publications that may be utilized to solicit MBEs or WBEs or SBRAs? Yes No

If yes, name the publications:

- 3. Do you use the services of outreach programs sponsored by the Minority Business Development Agency and/or the Small Business Administration to recruit bona fide MBE/WBE/SBRA firms for placement on your solicitation lists? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- 4. Do you seek out Minority Business Development Centers to assist you in identifying MBEs/WBEs/SBRAs for potential work opportunities on your proposed bid for this project? Yes\_\_\_\_No\_\_\_\_
- 5. Do you analyze the bid package or contract documents to identify portions of work that can be divided and performed by qualified MBEs, WBEs, and SBRAs including the bonding range? Yes\_\_\_\_No\_\_\_\_

If yes, please attach a brief description of portions of work you have identified for subcontracting.

- 6. Do you develop realistic delivery schedules which may provide for greater MBE/WBE/SBRA participation? Yes No
- Do you send a letter of solicitation to MBE/WBE/SBRA for this project? Yes No

If yes, please attach a sample copy of each different solicitation letter and the name and address of each MBE/WBE/SBRA.

 Do you advertise in general circulation, trade journals, State agency publications of identified MBEs/WBEs/SBRAs, minority or women or rural small business focused media, etc., concerning the subcontracting opportunities on your proposed bid for this project? Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

If yes, please list the name of publication and dates of advertisement and attach a copy of each advertisement from each publication.

9. Do you conduct pre-bid, pre-solicitation, and post award conferences, meetings and follow-ups with interested MBE, WBE, and SBRA? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_

If yes, please list person who attended conference as representative of MBE/WBE/SBRA

Nai	ne & Title of Pers	on:			
Nai	ne of MBE/WBE/	SBRA:			
Dat	e and Place of Cor	nference:			
Nai	ne & Title of Pers	on:			
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11. Tot	al dollar amount a	nd percentage of MBE/V	WBE/SBRA particip	pation:	
MI	BE: Construction (\$ )	<u>%</u> , Equipment(\$ )	<u>%</u> , Supplies(\$ )	<u>%</u> , Services(\$ )	%
WI	BE: Construction	%, Equipment	%, Supplies	%, Services	%
SB	(\$ ) RA: Construction (\$ )	(\$ ) %, Equipment(\$ )	(\$ ) <u>%,</u> Supplies (\$ )	(\$ ) <u>%</u> , Services (\$ )	%

MBE Subcontractor:	WBE Subcontractor:	SBRA Subcontractor:
Address:	Address:	Address:
Phone:	Phone:	Phone:
Contact Person:	Contact Person:	Contact Person:
Type of Work:	Type of Work:	Type of Work:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$	Amount: \$
MBE Subcontractor:	WBE Subcontractor:	SBRA Subcontractor:
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Contact Person:	Contact Person:	Contact Person:
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12. Name, address, phone number, contact person, type of construction subcontract, and dollar amount of subcontract.

Type of Work:	Type of Work:	Type of Work:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$	Amount: \$
MBE Subcontractor:	WBE Subcontractor:	SBRA Subcontractor:
Address:	Address:	Address:
Phone:	Phone:	Phone:
Contact Person:	Contact Person:	Contact Person:
Type of Work:	Type of Work:	Type of Work:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$	Amount: \$

I understand that a false statement on the above information may be grounds for rejection of this bid proposal or termination of the contract award.

Typed Name & Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Bidder's Authorized Representative

Date

#### **Davis-Bacon Act Certification**

The Contractor acknowledges to and for the benefit of the Owner \_\_\_\_\_\_ ("Purchaser") and the State of New Mexico (the "State") that it understands the goods and services under this Agreement are being funded with monies made available by the New Mexico Environment Department Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund and such law contains provisions commonly known as the Davis-Bacon Act that requires all contractors and subcontractors performing work on federal construction contracts or federally assisted contracts in excess of \$2,000 to pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the federal prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar projects in the area as determined by the Secretary of Labor.

The Contractor hereby represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Purchaser and the State that (a) the Contractor has reviewed and understands the Davis-Bacon Act, (b) as such has compensated all contractors and sub-contractors performing work on this project not less than the prevailing wage rate and fringe benefits for corresponding classes as determined by the Secretary of Labor, and (c) the Contractor will provide any further verified information, certification or assurance of compliance with this paragraph, as may be requested by the Purchaser or the State. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any failure to comply with this paragraph by the Contractor shall permit the Purchaser or State to recover as damages against the Contractor any loss, expense or cost (including without limitation attorney's fees) incurred by the Purchaser or State resulting from any such failure (including without limitation any impairment or loss of funding, whether in whole or in part, from the State or any damages owed to the State by the Purchaser for the funding of its project, the Purchaser and the Contractor agree that the State is a third-party beneficiary and neither this paragraph (nor any other provision of this Agreement necessary to give this paragraph force or effect) shall be amended or waived without the prior written consent of the State.

(Contractor Signature & Date)

(Owner Signature & Date)



EPA Project Control Number

#### United States Environmental Protection Agency Washington, DC 20460

## Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

The prospective participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and the principals:

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions b y any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment t rendered against them for com mission 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 record s, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (c) Are not presently indicted for otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transaction s (Federal, State, or local) terminated or cause o r default.

I understand that a false statement on this certification may be ground for rejection of this proposal or termination of the award. In addition, under 18 U SC Sec. 10 01, a false statement may result in a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

Typed Name & Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Bidder's Authorized Representative

Date

I am unable to certify to the above statements. My explanation is attached.

EPA Form 5700-49

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## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Participation Form

An EPA Financial Assistance Agreement Recipient must require its prime contractors to provide this form to its DBE subcontractors. This form gives a DBE<sup>1</sup> subcontractor<sup>2</sup> the opportunity to describe work received and/or report any concerns regarding the EPA-funded project (e.g., in areas such as termination by prime contractor, late payments, etc.). The DBE subcontractor can, as an option, complete and submit this form to the EPA DBE Coordinator at any time during the project period of performance.

Subcontractor Name		Project Name	
Bid/ Proposal No. Assistance Agreement ID N		No. (if known)	Point of Contact
Address	I		L
Telephone No.		Email Address	
Prime Contractor Name		Issuing/Fundir	ng Entity:

Contract Item Number	Description of Work Received from the Prime Contractor Involving Construction, Services, Equipment or Supplies	Amount Received by Prime Contractor

<sup>1</sup> A DBE is a Disadvantaged, Minority, or Woman Business Enterprise that has been certified by an entity from which EPA accepts certifications as described in 40 CFR 33.204-33.205 or certified by EPA. EPA accepts certifications from entities that meet or exceed EPA certification standards as described in 40 CFR 33.202.

<sup>2</sup> Subcontractor is defined as a company, firm, joint venture, or individual who enters into an agreement with a contractor to provide services pursuant to an EPA award of financial assistance.



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## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Participation Form

Please use the space below to report any concerns regarding the above EPA-funded project:

Subcontractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

The public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average three (3) hours per response. Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Include the OMB control number in any correspondence. Do not send the completed form to this address.



## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Performance Form

This form is intended to capture the DBE<sup>1</sup> subcontractor's<sup>2</sup> description of work to be performed and the price of the work submitted to the prime contractor. An EPA Financial Assistance Agreement Recipient must require its prime contractor to have its DBE subcontractors complete this form and include all completed forms in the prime contractors bid or proposal package.

Subcontractor Name		Project Name	
Bid/ Proposal No.	Assistance Agreement ID	No. (if known)	Point of Contact
Address			
Telephone No.		Email Address	
Prime Contractor Name		Issuing/Fundir	ng Entity:

Contract Item Number	Description of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor Involving Construction, Services , Equipment or Supplies		Price of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor	
DBE Certified By: DOT	SBA	Meets/ exceeds EPA certification standar	·ds?	
Other:		YESNOUnknown		

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<sup>2</sup> Subcontractor is defined as a company, firm, joint venture, or individual who enters into an agreement with a contractor to provide services pursuant to an EPA award of financial assistance.



## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Performance Form

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above. I am aware of that in the event of a replacement of a subcontractor, I will adhere to the replacement requirements set forth in 40 CFR Part 33 Section 33.302 (c).

Prime Contractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

Subcontractor Signature	Print Name	
Title	Date	

The public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average three (3) hours per response. Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Include the OMB control number in any correspondence. Do not send the completed form to this address.

## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form

This form is intended to capture the prime contractor's actual and/or anticipated use of identified certified DBE<sup>1</sup> subcontractors<sup>2</sup> and the estimated dollar amount of each subcontract. An EPA Financial Assistance Agreement Recipient must require its prime contractors to complete this form and include it in the bid or proposal package. Prime contractors should also maintain a copy of this form on file.

Prime Contractor Name		Project Name	
Bid/ Proposal No.	Assistance Agreement ID	No. (if known)	Point of Contact
Address			
Telephone No.		Email Address	
Issuing/Funding Entity:			

I have identified potential DBE certified subcontractors	YES		NO	
If yes, please complete the table below. If no, please explain:				
Subcontractor Name/ Company Name	Company Address/ Phone/ Email	Est. Dollar Amt	Currently DBE Certified?	
	——— Continue on back if needed ————			

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<sup>2</sup> Subcontractor is defined as a company, firm, joint venture, or individual who enters into an agreement with a contractor to provide services pursuant to an EPA award of financial assistance.

EPA FORM 6100-4 (DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form)



## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above. I am aware of that in the event of a replacement of a subcontractor, I will adhere to the replacement requirements set forth in 40 CFR Part 33 Section 33.302 (c).

Prime Contractor Signature	Print Name	
Title	Date	

The public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average three (3) hours per response. Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Include the OMB control number in any correspondence. Do not send the completed form to this address.

## American Iron And Steel Certification

The Contractor acknowledges to and for the benefit of the (City, County, or other legal entity) of \_ ("Purchaser") and the State of New Mexico ("State") that it understands the goods and services under this Agreement are being funded with monies made available by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund that have federal statutory requirements commonly known as "American Iron and Steel;" that requires all of the iron and steel products used in the project to be produced in the United States ("American Iron and Steel Requirement") including iron and steel products provided by the Contactor pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor hereby represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Purchaser and the State that (a) the Contractor has reviewed and understands the American Iron and Steel Requirement, (b) all of the iron and steel products used in the project will be and/or have been produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the American Iron and Steel Requirement, unless a waiver of the requirement is approved, and (c) the Contractor will provide any further verified information, certification or assurance of compliance with this paragraph, or information necessary to support a waiver of the American Iron and Steel Requirement, as may be requested by the Purchaser or the State. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any failure to comply with this paragraph by the Contractor shall permit the Purchaser or State to recover from the Contractor any loss, expense, or cost incurred by the Purchaser or State resulting from any such failure, including loss of funding, whether in whole or in part, from the State or any resultant costs owed to the State by the Purchaser. The Contractor and the Purchaser agree that neither this paragraph nor any other provision of this Agreement necessary to give this paragraph force or effect shall be amended or waived without the prior written consent of the State.

Typed Name & Title of Contractor's Authorized Representative

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Representative

Date

AIS CWSRF 314

## Sample Certifications for AIS compliance

The following information is provided as a sample letter of <u>step</u> certification for AIS compliance. Documentation **must be provided on company letterhead**.

Date

Company Name

Company Address

City, State Zip

Subject: American Iron and Steel Step Certification for Project (XXXXXXXXX)

I, (company representative), certify that the (melting, bending, coating, galvanizing, cutting, etc.) process for (manufacturing or fabricating) the following products and/or materials shipped or provided for the subject project is in full compliance with the American Iron and Steel requirement as mandated in EPA's State Revolving Fund Programs.

List Items, Products and/or Materials:

- 1. Xxxx
- 2. Xxxx
- 3. Xxxx

Such process took place at the following location:

If any of the above compliance statements change while providing material to this project we will immediately notify the prime contractor and the engineer.

Signed by company representative:

Name and Title

The following information is provided as a <u>sample letter of certification for AIS compliance</u>. Documentation **must be provided on company letterhead**.

Date

Company Name

Company Address

City, State Zip

Subject: American Iron and Steel Certification for Project (XXXXXXXXX)

I, (company representative), certify that the following products and/or materials shipped/provided to the subject project are in full compliance with the American Iron and Steel requirement as mandated in EPA's State Revolving Fund Programs.

Item, Products and/or Materials:

- 1. Xxxx
- 2. Xxxx
- 3. Xxxx

Such process took place at the following location:

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed by company representative

Name and Title

If any of the above compliance statements change while providing material to this project we will immediately notify the prime contractor and the engineer.

#### Wage Rate Requirements

#### (1) Minimum wages.

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work 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.

Subrecipients may obtain wage determinations from the U.S. Department of Labor's web site, www.dol.gov.

(ii)(A) The subrecipient(s), on behalf of EPA, 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

State award official shall approve a request for 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 subrecipient(s) agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), documentation of the action taken and the request, including the local wage determination shall be sent by the subrecipient (s) to the State award official. The State award official will transmit the request, to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210 and to the EPA DB Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification request within 30 days of receipt and so advise the State award official or will notify the State award official 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 subrecipient(s) do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the award official shall refer the request and the local wage determination, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the State award official, to the Administrator for determination. The request shall be sent to the EPA DB Regional Coordinator concurrently. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt of the request 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 subrecipient(s), shall upon written request of the EPA Award Official or 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, 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. 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 subrecipient, that is, the entity that receives the sub-grant or loan from the State capitalization grant recipient. Such documentation shall be available on request of the State recipient or EPA. As to each payroll copy received, the subrecipient shall provide written confirmation in a form satisfactory to the State indicating whether or not the project is in compliance with the requirements of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) based on the most recent payroll copies for the specified week. The payrolls 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 the weekly payrolls. 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 subrecipient(s) for transmission to the State or EPA if requested by EPA , the State, 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 subrecipient(s).

(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 State, EPA 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 or State 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 EPA determines may by appropriate, 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 Subrecipient(s), State, EPA, 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.

### 4. Contract Provision for Contracts in Excess of \$100,000.

(a) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. The subrecipient shall insert the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (a)(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 Item 3, above or 29 CFR 4.6. 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 (a)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore 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 (a)(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 (a)(1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The subrecipient, upon written request of the EPA Award Official or an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, shall 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 (a)(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 (a)(1) through (4) of this section.

(b) In addition to the clauses contained in Item 3, above, in any contract subject only to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and not to any of the other statutes cited in 29 CFR 5.1, the Subrecipient shall 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. 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 Subrecipient shall insert in any such contract a clause providing hat the records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

## 5. Compliance Verification

(a) The subrecipient shall periodically interview a sufficient number of employees entitled to DB prevailing wages (covered employees) to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates. As provided in 29 CFR 5.6(a)(6), all interviews must be conducted in confidence. The subrecipient must use Standard Form 1445 (SF 1445) or equivalent documentation to memorialize the interviews. Copies of the SF 1445 are available from EPA on request.

(b) The subrecipient shall establish and follow an interview schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. At a minimum, the subrecipient should conduct interviews with a representative group of covered employees within two weeks of each contractor or subcontractor's submission of its initial weekly payroll data and two weeks prior to the estimated completion date for the contract or subcontract. Subrecipients must conduct more frequent interviews if the initial interviews or other information indicates that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. Subrecipients shall immediately conduct necessary interviews in response to an alleged violation of the prevailing wage requirements. All interviews shall be conducted in confidence.

(c) The subrecipient shall periodically conduct spot checks of a representative sample of weekly payroll data to verify that contractors or subcontractors are paying the appropriate wage rates.

The subrecipient shall establish and follow a spot check schedule based on its assessment of the risks of noncompliance with DB posed by contractors or subcontractors and the duration of the contract or subcontract. At a minimum, if practicable, the subrecipient should spot check payroll data within two weeks of each contractor or subcontractor's submission of its initial payroll data and two weeks prior to the completion date the contract or subcontract. Subrecipients must conduct more frequent spot checks if the initial spot check or other information indicates that there is a risk that the contractor or subcontractor is not complying with DB. In addition, during the examinations the subrecipient shall verify evidence of fringe benefit plans and payments thereunder by contractors and subcontractors who claim credit for fringe benefit contributions.

(d) The subrecipient shall periodically review contractors and subcontractors use of apprentices and trainees to verify registration and certification with respect to apprenticeship and training programs approved by either the U.S Department of Labor or a state, as appropriate, and that contractors and subcontractors are not using disproportionate numbers of, laborers, trainees and apprentices. These reviews shall be conducted in accordance with the schedules for spot checks and interviews described in Item 5(b) and (c) above.

(e) Subrecipients must immediately report potential violations of the DB prevailing wage requirements to the EPA DB contact listed above and to the appropriate DOL Wage and Hour District Office listed at <u>http://www.dol.gov/esa/contacts/whd/america2.htm</u>.

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#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Region 6

#### MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

Recipients must ensure that, when appropriate, the following clauses or their equivalent are included in each contract.

#### 1. SUPERSESSION

The recipient and the contractor agree that this and other appropriate clauses in 40 CFR 31.36(i) apply to that work eligible for EPA assistance to be performed under this contract and that these clauses supersede any conflicting provisions of this contract.

#### 2. PRIVITY OF CONTRACT

This contract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is, or will be, a party to this contract or any lower tier contract. This contract is subject to the applicable EPA procurement regulations in effect on the date of the assistance award for this project.

#### 3. CHANGES

#### a. The following clause applies only to contracts for construction.

1. The recipient may at any time, without notice to any surety, by written order, make any change in the work within the general scope of the contract, including but not limited to changes:

- i. In the specifications (including drawings and designs);
- ii. In the time, method or manner of performance of the work;
- iii. In the recipient-furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services or site, or
- iv. Directing acceleration in the performance of the work.

2. A change order shall also be any other written order (including direction, instruction, interpretation or determination) from the recipient which causes any change, provided the contractor gives the recipient written notice stating the date, circumstances and source of the order and that the contractor regards the order as a change order.

3. Except as provided in this clause, no order, statement or conduct of the recipient shall be treated as a change under this clause or entitle the contractor to an equitable adjustment.
4. If any change under this clause causes an increase or decrease in the contractor's cost or the time required to perform any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by any order, the recipient shall make an equitable adjustment and modify the contract in writing. Except for claims based on defective specifications, no claim for any change under paragraph (a)(2) above shall be allowed for any costs incurred more than 20 days before the contractor gives written notice as required in paragraph (a)(2). In the case of defective specifications for which the recipient is responsible, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased cost the

contractor reasonably incurred in attempting to comply with those defective specifications. 5. If the contractor intends to assert a claim for an equitable adjustment under this clause, the contractor must, within 30 days after receipt of a written change order under paragraph (a)(1) or the furnishing of a written notice under paragraph (a)(2), submit a written statement to the recipient setting forth the general nature and monetary extent of such claim. The recipient may extend the 30-day period. The contractor may include the statement of claim in the notice under paragraph (2) of this changes clause.

6. No claim by the contractor for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if made after final payment under this contract.

#### b. The following clause applies only to contracts for services.

1. The recipient may at any time, by written order and without notice to the sureties, make changes within the general scope of this contract in the services or work to be performed. If such changes cause an increase or decrease in the contractor's cost or time required to perform any services under this contract, whether or not changed by any order, the recipient shall make an equitable adjustment and modify this contract in writing. The contractor must assert any claim for adjustment under this clause in writing within 30 days from the date it receives the recipient's notification of change, unless the recipient grants additional time before the date of final payment.

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2. No claim by the contractor for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if made after final payment under this contract.

3. No services for which the contractor will charge an additional compensation shall be furnished without the written authorization of the recipient.

#### c. The following clause applies only to contracts for supplies.

1. The recipient may at any time, by written order and without notice to the sureties, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

i. Drawings, designs or specifications where the supplies to be furnished are specifically manufactured for the recipient;

ii. Method of shipment or packing; and

iii. Place of delivery.

2. If any changes cause an increase or decrease in the cost or time required to perform any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by such order, the recipient shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price or delivery schedule, or both, and modify the contract in writing. The contractor must assert any claim for adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date the contractor receives the recipient's notification of change. If the recipient decides that the facts justify such action, the recipient may receive and act upon any such claim asserted at any time before final payment under this contract. where the cost of property made obsolete or excess as a result of a change is included in the contractor's claim for adjustment, the recipient has the right to prescribe the manner of disposition of such property. Nothing in this clause shall excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.

payment under this contract.

#### 4. DIFFERING SITE CONDITIONS

#### The following clause applies only to construction contracts.

a. The contractor shall promptly, and before such conditions are disturbed, notify the recipient in writing of:

1. Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing materially from those indicated in this contract, or

2. Unknown physical conditions at the site, of an unusual nature, differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering in work of the character provided for in this contract.

b. The recipient shall promptly investigate the conditions. If it finds that conditions materially differ and will cause an increase or decrease in the contractor's cost or the time required to perform any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed as a result of such conditions, the recipient shall make an equitable adjustment and modify the contract in writing. c. No claim of the contractor under this clause shall be allowed unless the contractor has given the notice required in paragraph (a) of this clause. However, the recipient may extend the time prescribed in paragraph (a).

d. No claim by the contractor for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under this contract.

#### 5. SUSPENSION OF WORK

#### The following clause applies only to construction contracts.

a. The recipient may order the contractor in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt all or any part of the work for such period of time as the recipient may determine to be appropriate for the convenience of the recipient.

b. If the performance of all or any part of the work is suspended, delayed or interrupted for an unreasonable period of time by an act of the recipient in administration of this contract, or by the recipient's failure to act within the time specified in this contract (or if no time is specified, within a reasonable time), the recipient shall make an adjustment for any increase in the cost of performance of this contract (excluding profit) necessarily caused by such unreasonable suspension, delay or interruption and modify the subagreement in writing. However, no adjustment shall be made under this clause for any suspension, delay or interruption to the extent (1) that performance would have been so suspended, delayed or interrupted by any other cause, including the fault or negligence of the contractor, or (2) for which an equitable adjustment is provided for or excluded under any other provision of this contract.

c. No claim under this clause shall be allowed (1) for any costs incurred more than 20 days before the contractor notified the recipient in writing of the act, or failure to act, involved (this requirement does not apply to a claim resulting from a suspension order), and (2) unless the amount claimed is asserted in writing as soon as practicable after the termination of such

suspension, delay or interruption, but not later than the date of final payment under the contract.

#### 6. TERMINATION

#### The following clause applies only to contracts over \$10,000.

a. This contract may be terminated in whole or in part in writing by either party in the event of substantial failure by the other party to fulfill its obligations under this contract through no fault of the terminating party, provided that no termination may be effected unless the other party is given (1) not less than ten (10) calendar days' written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate, and (2) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party prior to termination.

b. This contract may be terminated in whole or in part

in writing by the recipient for its convenience, provided that the contractor is given (1) not less than ten (10) calendar days' written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate, and (2) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party prior to termination.

c. If termination for default is effected by the recipient, an equitable adjustment in the price provided for in this contract shall be made, but (1) no amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services or other work, and (2) any payment due to the contractor at the time of termination may be adjusted to cover any additional costs to the recipient because of the contractor's default. If termination for default is effected by the contractor, or if termination for convenience is effected by the recipient, the equitable adjustment shall include a reasonable profit for services or other work performed. The equitable adjustment for any termination shall provide for payment to the contractor for services rendered and expenses incurred prior to the termination, in addition to termination settlement costs reasonably incurred by the contractor relating to commitments which had become firm prior to the termination.

d. Upon receipt of a termination action under paragraphs (a) or (b) above, the contractor shall (1) promptly discontinue all affected work (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver or otherwise make available to the recipient all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the contractor in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.

e. Upon termination under paragraphs (a) or (b) above, the recipient may take over the work and may award another party a contract to complete the work under this contract.

f. If, after termination for failure of the contractor to fulfill contractual obligations, it is determined that the contractor had not failed to fulfill contractual obligations, the termination shall be deemed to have been for the convenience of the recipient. In such event, adjustment of the subagreement price shall be made as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause.

#### 7. <u>REMEDIES</u>

#### This clause applies only to contracts over \$25,000.

Unless otherwise provided in this contract, all claims, counter-claims, disputes and other matters

in question between the recipient and the contractor arising out of, or relating to, this contract or the breach of it will be decided, if the parties mutually agree, by arbitration, mediation, or other alternative dispute resolution mechanism; or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State in which the recipient is located.

#### 8. PRICE REDUCTION FOR DEFECTIVE COST OR PRICING DATA

<u>NOTE</u> - The following clause applies to (1) any contract negotiated between the recipient and its contractor in excess of \$100,000; (2) negotiated contract amendments or change orders in excess of \$100,000 affecting the price of a formally advertised, competitively awarded, fixed price contract, or (3) any lower tier contract or purchase order in excess of \$100,000 under a contract other than a formally advertised, competitively awarded, fixed price contract. This clause does not apply to contracts awarded on the basis of effective price competition.

a. The contractor and subcontractor, where appropriate, assure that the cost and pricing data submitted for evaluation with respect to negotiation of prices for negotiated contracts, lower tier contracts and change orders is based on current, accurate and complete data supported by their books and records. If the recipient or EPA determines that any price (including profit) negotiated in connection with this contract, lower tier contract or amendment thereunder was increased by any significant sums because the data provided was incomplete, inaccurate or not current at the time of submission, then such price or cost or profit shall be reduced accordingly and the recipient shall modify the contract in writing to reflect such action.

b. Failure to agree on a reduction shall be subject to the remedies clause of this contract.

**NOTE** - Since the contract is subject to reduction under this clause by reason of defective cost or pricing data submitted in connection with lower tier contracts, the contractor may wish to include a clause in each lower tier contract requiring the lower tier contractor to appropriately indemnify the contractor. It is expected that any lower tier contractor subject to such indemnification will generally require substantially similar indemnification for defective cost and pricing data submitted by lower tier contractors.

#### 9. AUDIT: ACCESS TO RECORDS

a. The contractor shall maintain books, records, documents and other evidence directly pertinent to performance on EPA funded work under this contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices consistently applied, and the applicable EPA regulations in effect on the date of execution of this contract. The contractor shall also maintain the financial information and data used in the preparation or support of any cost submission required under applicable regulations for negotiated contracts or change orders and a copy of the cost summary submitted to the recipient. The United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, the United States Department of Labor, the recipient, and [the State] or any of their authorized representatives shall have access to all such books, records, documents and other evidence for the purpose of inspection, audit and copying during normal business hours. The contractor will provide proper facilities for such access and inspection.

b. If this is a fixed price contract awarded through sealed bidding or otherwise on the basis of effective price competition, the contractor agrees to make paragraphs (a) through (g) of this clause applicable to all negotiated change orders and contract amendments affecting the contract price. In the case of all other types of prime contracts, the contractor agrees to make paragraphs (a) through (g) applicable to all contract awards in excess of \$10,000, at any tier, and to make paragraphs (a) through (g) of this clause applicable to all change orders directly related to project performance.

c. Audits conducted under this provision shall be in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and with established procedures and guidelines of the reviewing or audit agency(ies). d. The contractor agrees to disclose all information and reports resulting from access to records under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this clause to any of the agencies referred to in paragraph (a). e. Records under paragraphs (a) and (b) above shall be maintained by the contractor during performance on EPA assisted work under this contract and for the time periods specified in 40 CFR part 31. In addition, those records which relate to any controversy arising under an EPA assistance agreement, litigation, the settlement of claims arising out of such performance or to costs or items to which an audit exception has been taken shall be maintained by the contractor for the time periods specified in 40 CFR part 31.

f. Access to records is not limited to the required retention periods. The authorized representatives designated in paragraph (a) of this clause shall have access to records at any reasonable time for as long as the records are maintained.

g This right of access clause applies to financial records pertaining to all contracts (except for fixed price contracts awarded through sealed bidding or otherwise on the basis of effective price competition) and all contract change orders regardless of the type of contract, and all contract amendments regardless of the type of contract. In addition this right of access applies to all records pertaining to all contracts, contract change orders and contract amendments:

1. To the extent the records pertain directly to contract performance;

2. If there is any indication that fraud, gross abuse or corrupt practices may be involved; or

3. If the subagreement is terminated for default or for convenience.

#### **10. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

The contractor assures that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this assurance, the recipient shall have the right to annul this agreement without liability or, at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

#### 11. GRATUITIES

a. If the recipient finds after a notice and hearing that the contractor or any of the contractor's agents or representatives offered or gave gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts or

otherwise) to any official, employee or agent of the recipient, the State or EPA in an attempt to secure a contract or favorable treatment in awarding, amending or making any determinations related to the performance of this contract, the recipient may, by written notice to the contractor, terminate this contract. The recipient may also pursue other rights and remedies that the law or this contract provides.

b. In the event this contract is terminated as provided in paragraph (a), the recipient may pursue the same remedies against the contractor as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the contract by the contractor, and as a penalty, in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, be entitled to exemplary damages in an amount (as determined by the recipient) which shall be not less than three nor more than ten times the costs the contractor incurs in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee.

#### 12. BUY AMERICAN

# *This clause applies only to construction contracts award under 40 CFR Part 35, Subparts E and I.*

In accordance with Section 215 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq.) and 40 CFR 31.36(c)(5), the contractor agrees that preference will be given to domestic construction material by the contractor, subcontractors, materialmen and supplies in the performance of this contract.

#### 13. <u>RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR</u>

#### a. The following clause applies only to subagreements for services.

1. The contractor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion and coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, reports and other services furnished by the contractor under this contract. If the contract involves environmental measurements or data generation, the contractor shall comply with EPA quality assurance requirements in 40 CFR 31.45. The contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions or other deficiencies in his designs, drawings, specifications, reports and other services.

2. The contractor shall perform the professional services necessary to accomplish the work specified in this contract in accordance with this contract and applicable EPA requirements in effect on the date of execution of the assistance agreement for this project.

3. The owner's or EPA's approval of drawings, designs, specifications, reports and incidental work or materials furnished shall not in any way relieve the contractor of responsibility for the technical adequacy of his work. Neither the owner's nor EPA's review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the services shall be construed as a waiver of any rights under this agreement or of any cause for action arising out of the performance of this contract.

4. The contractor shall be, and shall remain, liable in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the owner or EPA caused by the contractor's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this contract, except for errors, omissions or other deficiencies to the extent attributable to the owner, owner-furnished data or any third party. The contractor shall not

be responsible for any time delays in the project caused by circumstances beyond the contractor's control.

5. The contractor's obligations under this clause are in addition to the contractor's other express or implied assurances under this contract or State law and in no way diminish any other rights that the owner may have against the contractor for faulty materials, equipment or work.

#### b. The following clause applies only to contracts for construction.

1. The contractor agrees to perform all work under this contract in accordance with this agreement's designs, drawings and specifications.

2. The contractor guarantees for a period of at least one (1) year from the date of substantial completion of the work that the completed work is free from all defects due to faulty materials, equipment or workmanship and that he shall promptly make whatever adjustments or corrections which may be necessary to cure any defects, including repairs of any damage to other parts of the system resulting from such defects. The owner shall promptly give notice to the contractor of observed defects. In the event that the contractor fails to make adjustments, repairs, corrections or other work made necessary by such defects, the owner may do so and charge the contractor the cost incurred. The performance bond shall remain in full force and effect through the guarantee period.

3. The contractor's obligations under this clause are in addition to the contractor's other express or implied assurances under this contract or State law and in no way diminish any other rights that the owner may have against the contractor for faulty materials, equipment or work.

#### 14. FINAL PAYMENT

Upon satisfactory completion of the work performed under this contract, as a condition before final payment under this contract or as a termination settlement under this contract the contractor shall execute and deliver to the owner a release of all claims against the owner arising under, or by virtue of, this contract, except claims which are specifically exempted by the contractor to be set forth therein. Unless otherwise provided in this contract, by State law or otherwise expressly agreed to by the parties to this contract, final payment under this contract or settlement upon termination of this contract shall not constitute a waiver of the owner's claims against the contractor or his sureties under this contract or applicable performance and payment bonds.

#### United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 6

#### **Policy for Bypass During Construction**

It is a violation of an NPDES permit to bypass any part of a collection system or treatment plant. Such violations are subject to the enforcement provisions of Section 309 of the Clean Water Act. Under extreme circumstances, bypassing can sometimes be employed for short periods, but only after thorough review and authorization by the regulatory agency.

NPDES regulations and permits prohibit the diversion of wastes from any portion of the treatment facility unless:

I. Bypass is unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury. or severe property damage; or

2. There are no feasible alternatives to bypass. such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities. retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if the Permittee could have installed adequate backup equipment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and

3. The Permittee submits prior notice of an anticipated bypass. if possible, at least ten days before the date of the bypass.

The regulatory agency may authorize an anticipated bypass after considering its adverse effects, if it determines that it will meet the above conditions.

) The construction sequence must be such that wastes are provided a minimum of secondary treatment, or the equivalent for industrial treatment facilities during all phases of construction unless more stringent treatment levels are required by the state agency; or

2) The facility must maintain compliance with interim limitations set by the regulatory agency based on plant performance.

 Disinfection is to be utilized if required to protect public health. This page intentionally blank.

## **CROSS-CUTTING FEDERAL AUTHORITIES**

## **Environmental Authorities**

- National Environmental Policy Act, Pub. L. No. 91-190 (1970), 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et. seq.
- Executive Order 11593, Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment
- Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Pub. L. 85-624, as amended
- Wilderness Act, Pub. L. 88-577, as amended

## Historic Resources

- National Historic Preservation Act, Pub L. 89-665, as amended, 80 Stat. 917 (1966), 16 U.S.C. § 470 et. seq.
- Archeological and Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. 93-291 (1974), 16 U.S.C. § 469a-1

## • Environmentally Sensitive Lands

- Protection of Wetlands, Executive Order 11990 (1977), as amended by Executive Order 12608 (1997)
- Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11988 (1977), as amended by Executive Order 12148 (1979)
- o Farmland Protection Policy Act, Pub. L. 97-98 (1981), 7 U.S.C. § 4201 et. seq.

## Coastal Area Protection

- Coastal Zone Management Act, Pub. L. 92-583 (1972), as amended, 16 U.S.C. § 1451 et. seq.
- Coastal Barriers Resources Act, Pub. L. 97-348, 96 Stat. 1653 (1982), 16 U.S.C. § 3501 et. seq.
- Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Pub. L. 90-542, 82 Stat. 913 (1968), 16 U.S.C. § 1271 *et. seq.*
- Endangered Species Act, Pub. L. 93-205 (1973), as amended, 16 U.S.C. § 1531 et. seq.
- Essential Fish Habitat Consultation Process under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Pub. L. 94-265 (1976), as amended, 16 U.S.C. § 1801 *et. seq.*
- Clean Air Act Conformity, Pub. L. 95-95 (1977), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et. seq.
- Safe Drinking Water Act, Pub. L. 93-523 (1974), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 300f et. seq.

## **Social Policy Authorities**

## Civil Rights Laws (i.e., Super Cross-Cutters)

- o Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d
- Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U.S.C. § 1251
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794
- The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-690
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. § 6102

• Equal Employment Opportunity, Executive Order 11246 (1965)

### **Disadvantage Business Enterprise Provisions**

- Promoting the use of Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses, Executive Orders 11625, 12138 and 12432
- Section 129 of the Small Business Administration Reauthorization and Amendment Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-590
- Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993 Pub. L. 102-389

## **Economic and Miscellaneous Authorities**

# **Prohibitions Relating to Violators of the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act with Respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans**

- Executive Order No. 11738 (1973)
- Section 306 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7606, and
- Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1368
- Debarment and Suspension, Executive Order 12549 (1986)
- New Restriction on Lobbying, Section 319 of Pub. L. 101-121
- Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act, Pub. L. 89-754 (1966), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 3331 *et. seq.*
- Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, Pub. L. 91-646 (1971), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655
- Preservation of Open Competition and Government Neutrality Towards Government Contractors' Labor Relations on Federal and Federally Funded Construction Projects Executive Order 13202 (2001), as amended by Executive Order 13208 (2001)

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OFFICE OF WATER

## **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT:	Guidelines for Enhancing Public Awareness of SRF Assistance Agreements
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Last year, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) implemented an agency-wide initiative to enhance public awareness of EPA assistance agreements nationwide. The Office of Water has developed guidelines to inform states how this initiative should be implemented in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Programs.

The guidelines were developed with input from EPA and state SRF staff. The guidelines recognize that each of the state SRF programs and the projects they fund are different and that one implementation method will not work for everyone. Therefore, as a result of input from the states, the guidelines offer a number of options that can be used to enhance public awareness of SRF assistance agreements.

Implementation of these guidelines will begin with the awarding of the FY 2015 SRF capitalization grants. A term and condition on compliance with the guidelines is to be included in all new SRF grants.

Please have your staff provide copies of the guidelines to your states. Questions regarding the guidelines should be directed to Sheila Platt (202/564-0686) or Howard Rubin (202/564-2051).

Attachment

## Enhancing Public Awareness of SRF Assistance Agreements

## Introduction

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently implementing an agency-wide initiative focused on signage to enhance public awareness of EPA assistance agreements nationwide. The intention of this effort is to communicate the positive impact and benefits of EPA funding around the country and increase awareness surrounding the improvements communities receive as a result of State Revolving Fund (SRF) assistance. Projects implemented with Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) monies are included in this initiative, as many CWSRF and DWSRF assistance agreements have direct and tangible benefits to populations around the country.

EPA's Office of Water developed these guidelines as a way to inform states of this directive and how it should be implemented in the SRF programs. The primary objective is to enhance public understanding of the positive benefits of CWSRF and DWSRF funding to towns, cities, municipalities and water systems. To that end, states are presented with a range of options for implementing these guidelines. All of these options achieve the ultimate goal of communicating to a broad audience the positive role EPA funding of the state CWSRF and DWSRF programs plays in communities across the country.

The information in the guidelines was developed with input from EPA and state staff across the country as well as the members of the State-EPA Workgroup. The guidelines recognize the wide range of project types, varied locations and different institutional approaches among states and communities. Therefore, providing states and SRF assistance recipients maximum flexibility is optimal. The guidelines allow selection of the implementation method which best balances two goals. First, it should satisfy the overall objective of communicating EPA's role in funding assistance agreements that achieve positive benefit. Second, the implementation method should be practically and financially viable for states and communities and avoid any overly burdensome investment of time and resources. In some cases, it might be appropriate for a state to select a combination of options listed below, provided this does not result in excessive cost to communities.

## **Project Selection Requirements**

Signage requirements will not be required to apply to all SRF projects. Signage will be considered an equivalency requirement for SRF programs. States should select a set of borrowers and/or projects totaling a funding amount equivalent to the amount of their federal capitalization grant to satisfy the signage requirement. There are no other requirements or restrictions on which projects should or should not participate in this initiative. Therefore, it is at the discretion of the state SRF program to select projects most able to efficiently and effectively comply in a way that

meets the intention to enhance public awareness without significant financial hardship to the state or its borrowers. This can be done either through the selection of specific projects or borrowers, or by setting a threshold within the state for which projects will be requested to meet signage requirements. States should note that they have the option of selecting different implementation options for different borrowers depending on the location, project type and available resources. Borrowers and/or projects complying with the signage requirement must ensure limited English proficient individuals have meaningful access to activities receiving EPA funds, consistent with Executive Order 13166 and EPA Order 1000.32.

In this regard, to increase public awareness of projects serving communities where English is not the predominant language, States should encourage recipients when implementing a particular signage option to translate the language used (excluding the EPA logo or seal) into the appropriate non-English language(s). The costs of such translation are allowable, provided the costs are reasonable.

Although the signage requirement does not apply to all SRF projects, we recommend that states encourage all borrowers/projects to notify the public of the benefits of the projects and the role of the SRF, using one of the options below.

## Summary of Options

The guidelines present a number of options which communities can explore to implement EPA's signage policy. The option selected should meet all of the above basic requirements while remaining cost-effective and accessible to a broad audience. The guidelines describe the following strategies as acceptable options for communities to follow:

- Standard signage
- Posters or wall signage in a public building or location
- Newspaper or periodical advertisement for project construction, groundbreaking ceremony, or operation of the new or improved facility
- Online signage placed on community website or social media outlet
- Press release

Each of these options is described in more detail in the sections below.

## Implementation Option: Standard Signage

EPA recommends that large projects that involve significant expansion or construction of a new facility elect to publicize through standard signage. This option should be selected for projects where the sign would be near a major road or thoroughfare or where the facility is in a location at which this would effectively publicize the upgrades. Some facilities will not find this an appropriate or cost-effective solution. For example, investing in a large road sign for a facility that is located in a rural area or where access is limited to a smaller service road would likely not be an optimal solution.

Signs can also be located away from the project site if there is another reasonable alternative. For example, a community may elect to place a sign advertising the project near a body of water that receives discharge from a particular facility.

States selecting projects that will implement this requirement through use of a traditional sign should ensure the following are included:

- The name of the facility, project and community
- Project cost
- The State Agency/SRF administering the program
- The EPA and State Agency logos (EPA logo may only be used on a sign)

If the EPA logo is displayed along with logos of other participating entities, the EPA logo must not be displayed in a manner that implies that EPA itself is conducting the project. Instead, the EPA logo must be accompanied with a statement indicating that the recipient received financial assistance from EPA for the project. As provided in the sign specifications from the EPA Office of Public Affairs (OPA), the EPA logo is the identifier for assistance agreement projects. States are required to ensure that recipients comply with the sign specifications provided by the OPA, available at <u>http://www.epa.gov/ogd/tc/epa\_logo\_seal\_specifications for\_infrastructure\_grants.pdf.</u> To obtain the appropriate EPA logo graphic file, the recipient should send a request directly to OPA and include the EPA Project Officer in the communication.

## **Implementation Option: Posters or Brochures**

Smaller projects, projects located in rural areas, and other efforts may find that it is more costeffective and practical to advertise efforts through creation of a poster or smaller sign. If the project involves nonpoint source or green infrastructure components, those can be described at the discretion of the state or community.

The poster or brochure and acknowledgement should be visible, as well as a website or other source of information for individuals that may be curious about the SRF program. The community could also implement this option as a short pamphlet or brochure that is placed in one of these locations for community members to read.

Posters or brochures should be placed in a public location that is accessible to a wide audience of community members. This can include, but is not limited to:

- Town or City Hall
- Community Center
- Locally owned or operated park or recreational facility
- Public Library
- County/municipal government facilities
- Court house or other public meeting space

Given the low cost for producing multiple copies of the same poster, pamphlet, or brochure, communities can explore options for displaying these posters in several locations simultaneously. This would achieve the overall objective of reaching a broad audience and publicizing the project.

States have the option of creating a template verbiage and layout to provide to borrowers, particularly smaller or disadvantaged communities. This could reduce the burden on small municipalities which may or may not have the staffing capacity to meet signage requirements on their own.

States selecting projects that will implement this requirement through use of posters or brochures should ensure the following are included:

- Name of facility, project and community
- State SRF administering the program
- Project is wholly or partially funded with EPA funding
- Brief description of project
- Brief description of the water quality benefits the project will achieve

## Implementation Option: Newsletter, Periodical or Press Release

For communities where there is no suitable public space or where advertisement through signage is unlikely to reach community members effectively, projects can be advertised in a community newsletter or similar periodical. States can use guidelines from their standard public notice practices. For new construction, if a groundbreaking ceremony is to be held, an announcement could publicize or accompany publicity for this event.

In some cases, it may be appropriate for the state agency to issue a formal press release announcing construction of a new facility. Distributing a single prepared statement concisely summarizing the project purpose and the joint funding from EPA and state resources can reach a wide audience as the statement goes through multiple news outlets. Programs should consider whether or not this is an option that is likely to effectively publicize the CWSRF or DWSRF program in local news sources.

If a recipient decides on a public or media event to publicize the accomplishment of significant events related to construction as a result of EPA support, EPA must be provided with at least a ten working day notice of the event and provided the opportunity to attend and participate in the event.

States selecting projects that will implement this requirement through use of a newsletter, periodical or press release should ensure the following are included:

- Name of facility, project and community
- State SRF administering the program

- Project is wholly or partially funded with EPA funding
- Brief description of the project
- Brief listing of water quality benefits to be achieved

## Implementation Option: Insert or Pamphlet in Water/Sewer Bill

Utilities can consider including a single-page insert within water and sewer bills that are mailed to residents and users in the area. This approach would effectively publicize the project to those individuals directly benefitting from the project. The flyer or insert could emphasize the interest rate and financial savings that the community achieved by taking advantage of SRF funds as well as the environmental and public health benefits to the community.

States selecting projects that will implement this requirement through use of an insert or pamphlet in water/sewer bill should ensure the following are included:

- Name of facility, project and community
- State SRF administering the program
- Project is wholly or partially funded with EPA funding
- Brief description of the project
- Brief listing of water quality benefits to be achieved

## Implementation Option: Online & Social Media Publicity

Many communities are increasingly finding that the online forum is the most cost-effective approach to publicizing their SRF programs and reaching a broad audience of stakeholders. Online "signage" should follow the minimum information guidelines above and may appear on the town, community or facility website if available. In some cases, communities may be active on social media sites such as Facebook or Twitter. These can be used as an opportunity for publicizing projects and information about how SRF funds are being used in the community. These online announcements/notices may be appropriate for settings where physical signage would not be visible to a wide audience. They can be a more cost-effective option than traditional signs or publicity in print media outlets. This option may be most useful where the community's website is a well-recognized source of information for its residents.

In the case of some projects, such as nonpoint source or sponsorship projects, there might be additional opportunities for online publicity through partner agencies or organizations. This could take place either on the organization's website or again through social media outlets.

States selecting projects that will implement this requirement through use of online & social media publicity should ensure the following are included:

- Name of facility, project and community
- State SRF administering the program
- Project was wholly or partially funded with EPA funding
- Brief description of the project

Brief listing of water quality benefits to be achieved

## Suggested Language for Alternate Options

For any of the alternate implementation options listed above, SRF programs have discretion to structure their signage as they see appropriate. The language below is offered as an option for use in posters, pamphlets, brochures, press releases, or online materials. States may consider using the following:

"Construction of upgrades and improvements to the [Name of Facility, Project Location, or WWTP] were financed by the [Clean Water/Drinking Water] State Revolving Fund. The [CWSRF/DWSRF] program is administered by [State Agency] with joint funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and [State Name]. This project will (description of project) and will provide water quality benefits [details specifying particular benefits] for community residents and businesses in and near [name of town, city, and/or water body or watershed to benefit from project.] [CWSRF/DWSRF] programs operate around the country to provide states and communities the resources necessary to maintain and improve the infrastructure that protects our valuable water resources nationwide. "

For projects in certain areas, states should consider whether or not it is appropriate to include additional details about the projects. Specific benefits, such as reduction of CSO events, lessening of nutrient pollution, reducing contaminant levels or water pumping costs, or improvements to a particular water body, may be of interest to community residents. In these cases, including them would further serve to showcase positive efforts financed by the SRF programs. Additionally, for projects with components that meet Green Project Reserve (GPR) criteria, States may elect to detail these particular improvements. For example, the state could include quantitative improvements in energy efficiency or water conservation achieved by project upgrades. If the project includes green infrastructure components such as rain gardens and green roofs that have environmental and aesthetic benefits to the community, these can be described briefly as well. Again, this additional information can be included at the discretion of the state when it is appropriate, given the project type, location, and the type of signage or publicity effort selected.