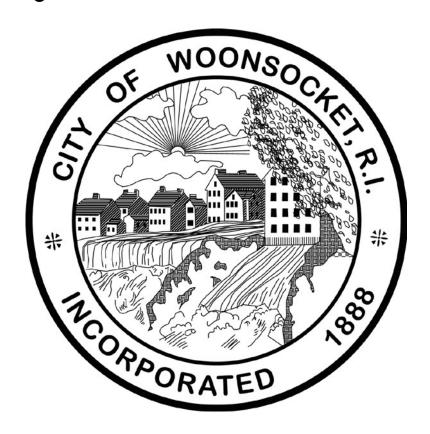
City of Woonsocket



Lead Service Line Replacement

BID No. 6205

Bid Specifications

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CITY OF WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND INVITATION TO BID FOR:

"Lead Service Line Replacement" BID No. 6205

For Woonsocket Water Department

City of Woonsocket is accepting bid proposals for the above-referenced project.

<u>Bid Opening:</u> Bids must be received by Woonsocket City Hall, Office of Purchasing, 169 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895 prior to the bid opening date and time. On time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in **Harris Hall, located on the 3rd floor of Woonsocket City Hall,** promptly starting at **2:00** p.m. on **Tuesday, March 5, 2024.** Bids received after this deadline will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the sender.

<u>Bid Submissions:</u> All bids must be submitted in duplicate, placed in a sealed envelope and identified with the following information: "Lead Service Line Replacement, Bid No. 6205." Bids must be prepared using the provided bid forms. All forms must be typed or printed and then signed and dated in ink.

<u>Project Components:</u> Work includes the removal of approximately 60 existing private-side lead and galvanized steel water service lines and replacement with new Type-K copper service lines at residential properties specified by the Woonsocket Water Department. Installation of new residential backflow preventers, meter, appurtenances, and fittings is also required. Additional work will include the restoration of all disturbed areas.

<u>Project Timeline:</u> The project must be completed in its entirety prior to **210 days** from date given in Notice to Proceed (substantial completion shall be 180 days from date provided in Notice to Proceed).

<u>Pre-Bidding Event:</u> A <u>Non-Mandatory</u> pre-bid conference will be held at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at the Woonsocket Water Treatment Facility, 300 Jillson Avenue in Woonsocket, RI.

<u>Questions:</u> Questions regarding this solicitation should be submitted via email to Ken Allaire, Purchasing Agent, at <u>ken.allaire@woonsocketri.org</u>. The deadline to submit questions is **Thursday, February 22, 2024, prior to 5:30 p.m.** Answers will be published online by the City in the form of an Addendum. Any questions submitted after the deadline may not be considered. Do not contact any other City employee or official regarding this solicitation.

<u>Bid Bond</u>: The bidder is required to furnish a bid guarantee in the form of a firm commitment, e.g., a Bid Bond supported by good and sufficient surety or sureties acceptable to the City, postal money order, certified check, or cashier's check. The amount of the bid surety is **5%** percent of the bid price.

<u>Performance/Payment Bond</u>: A Performance and Payment Bond issued in a sum equal to **100%** percent of the total awarded amount will be required from the successful bidder.

<u>Prevailing Wages:</u> In accordance with RI General Law 37-13-7 contracts in excess of \$1,000 shall require compensation based on prevailing wages for construction, alteration and/or repair, painting and decorating.

Nonresident Contractors: In accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-1-6, nonresident contractors are subject to a 3% withholding of the contract price to secure payment of any sales tax, use tax, and/or income tax withheld that may be due the State of Rhode Island. WBE, MBE and Section 3 contractors are encouraged to bid.

<u>Bid:</u> In conformance with the terms and conditions of these specifications including the Invitation to Bid and other documentary forms therewith, the Bidder hereby proposes, offers and agrees if this bid be accepted within ninety (90) calendar days from the date of bid opening to do all things necessary to fully perform and satisfy all terms, conditions and requirements of the subject specifications.

<u>Withdrawal of Bids:</u> No bidder may withdraw their bid within ninety (90) days after the actual time and date of the bid opening thereof.

<u>Rejection of Bids:</u> The City reserves the right to cancel this ITB, award on the basis of cost alone, accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part. The City further reserves the right to waive as an informality any irregularities contained in any bid not affecting substantial rights that may be in the City's best interest. Proposals found to be technically or substantially nonresponsive at any point in the review process will be rejected and not considered further. Any such decision will be considered final.

<u>Bid Award:</u> Upon selection of a winning contractor, the City of Woonsocket will send a bid award notice to the awardee. The bid award notice will identify a point of contact from the City who will assist the awardee in completing any pre-work requirements. Upon satisfactory meeting all of the obligations of the pre-wok requirements, the City of Woonsocket will issue a "Notice to Proceed" for work to commence.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired should call the Finance Director at 401-762-6400 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the bid opening deadline.

Thank you for your consideration of this invitation to bid and your participation in this bid process.

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Christine (Chamberland,	
Finance Di	irector	



1.0 RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS:

- 1.1 The City of Woonsocket, acting through its Purchasing Agent (referred to as the "City"), is responsible for the format, final content and publication of all Requests for Proposal or Invitations to Bid (herein collectively referred to as "Proposal" or "Proposals") to be approved by the City of Woonsocket's Finance Department.
- 1.2 Sealed Proposals must be received, and date stamped by a representative of Woonsocket City Hall, Office of Purchasing, 169 Main St., Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895, up until the deadline as indicated in the published solicitation or addendum.
- 1.3 Published solicitations do not commit the City to pay any costs incurred by any bidder in conducting or making the necessary studies or designs for the preparation thereof, or for procuring or contracting for the items to be furnished in any submitted Proposal.
- 1.4 Proposals received after the time and date indicated in the published solicitation or addendum will not be considered nor opened and may be returned to the bidder as such.
- 1.5 At the time of the opening of Proposals, each bidder will be presumed to have read and to be thoroughly familiar with all items contained in the published solicitation, including all addenda. The failure or omission of any bidder to have examined any form, instrument or document will in no way relieve a bidder from any obligation in their Proposal once the Proposal has been publicly opened.

2.0 FORM OF PROPOSALS:

- 2.1 Each Proposal shall be in accordance with specifications and instructions contained herein.
- 2.2 Proposals must be printed in black or blue ink or typewritten. **Proposals written in pencil or red ink are not allowed.**
- 2.3 Blank spaces must be filled in as required or an "N/A" must be placed in that space if the item is not applicable to the Proposal being submitted. No changes are permitted in any of the documentation unless the change is accompanied by an approved addendum.
- 2.4 Additionally, the Proposal must contain the bidder's company name and proper address. It must be signed by an individual that is duly authorized to sign in the name, and on behalf, of the respective bidder for the purposes and consideration expressed in their Proposal accompanied by their official title.
- 2.5 Proposals which are not complete, contain any omissions, erasures, alterations, additions or irregularities of any kind, are subject to being rejected.
- 2.6 At any time prior to the Proposals being publicly opened, the bidder may modify his/her Proposal by written communication. If a correction needs to be made to any item in the submitted Proposal, those changes must be made with a single strike out (*Example: Change*), with blue or black ink, must be initialed and dated in close proximity of the correction and remain clearly legible.

- 2.7 Bidders are responsible for submitting bids, submitting modifications or sending withdrawal requests, so as to reach the Office of Purchasing prior to the time specified in the solicitation or addendum.
- 2.8 Only modification, to an already submitted bid may be authorized to use an alternate form of transmission (i.e. electronic mail or facsimile) with the prior consent and at the discretion of the purchasing agent.
- 2.9 If the intent of the bidder's written communication is not clearly identifiable, the interpretation most advantageous to the City will prevail.

3.0 SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL:

- 3.1 The City of Woonsocket shall receive each proposal/bid either by mail, or in person no later than the time indicated, at Woonsocket City Hall, Office of Purchasing, Attn: Purchasing Agent, 169 Main St., Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895. **FAXED or E-MAILED Proposals are not accepted.**
- 3.2 Each Proposal must be submitted in duplicate, unless otherwise noted, and each sealed envelope plainly marked on the exterior with the bid number and bid name.
- 3.3 The purchasing agent will decide what the deadline will be to receive all Proposals. Late proposals/bids will not be considered.
- 3.4 It is the bidder's responsibility to verify that the Proposal has been timely received and delivered to the purchasing department prior to the opening date and time. The City is not responsible for late receipt of a Proposal, regardless of the reason for the delay. Proof of transmission or of mailing doesn't constitute proof of receipt.
- 3.5 At any time prior to the Proposals being publicly opened, the bidder may withdraw his/her Proposal by written communication. Telephonic, Emailed or Faxed withdrawals are not accepted.
- 3.6 No Proposal may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the Proposals have been publicly opened. The City reserves the right to waive this requirement to best serve the interests of the City.
- 3.7 Negligence on the part of the bidder in preparing the Proposal confers no rights for the withdrawal of their Proposal after it has been opened.
- 3.8 Proposals received prior to the scheduled opening deadline will be secured and will remain unopened.
- 3.9 No responsibility will attach to an officer or person of the City for the premature opening of a Proposal which has not been properly marked or identified. Any Proposal opened prematurely due to the failure of the Bidder to mark the envelope in accordance with Section 3.0 will be considered non-responsive and returned to the bidder.
- 3.10 The City may consider any Proposal not prepared and submitted in accordance with the provisions of the solicitation as non-responsive.
- 3.11 The City reserves the right to waive any informalities that are merely a matter of form and not of substance. It also pertains to some immaterial defect in a bid or variation of a bid from the exact requirements of the invitation that can be corrected or waived without being prejudicial to other bidders.
 - 3.11.1 The defect or variation is immaterial when the effect on price, quantity, quality, or delivery is negligible when contrasted with the total cost or scope of the supplies or services being acquired.
- 3.12 The City reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals that best serve the City's interest.

4.0 ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATION:

- 4.1 No interpretation of the meaning of the specifications or other documents will be made to any bidder orally. Every request for such interpretation must be made in writing and addressed to the purchasing agent, City of Woonsocket, 169 Main Street, Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895.
- 4.2 To be given consideration, all inquiries must be received by the date and time as noted in the solicitation. If no date is provided in the solicitation, the City will gather any inquiries received and will collectively respond to and publish those responses no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the date of the bid opening.
- 4.3 Any and all such inquiries, corrections, interpretations, and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addenda. All addenda will be posted, at a minimum, on the City's website, in the "Bid Opportunities" section, beneath the specific corresponding solicitation. All addenda become part of the specification document from their effective dates.
- 4.4 It is the bidder's responsibility to check for and download any and all posted addenda up to the bid opening date and time.
- 4.5 Each bidder must ascertain, prior to submitting their Proposal that they have received all addenda issued and must acknowledge the receipt in their submitted Proposal.
- 4.6 No addenda will be posted later than four(4) calendar days prior to bid opening date except for an addendum, if necessary, postponing the opening date or the withdrawal of the solicitation.
- 4.7 Any written or oral instructions concerning a solicitation, unless supported by an addendum, regardless of the source of that information, is non-binding, should not be relied upon and is not considered part of the specification documents.
- 4.8 In the event there is a discrepancy between verbal communication and written communication, the written communication will govern.

5.0 "OR APPROVED EQUAL":

- 5.1 When the name of a manufacturer, a brand name or manufacturer's catalogue number is issued as specification standard in describing an item followed by "Or Approved Equal", this description is used to indicate quality, performance and other essential characteristics of the item required.
- 5.2 If proposing on other than the make, model, brand, or sample specified, but equal thereto, bidder must so state by giving the manufacturer's name, catalogue number and any other information necessary to prove that the intended substitution of a commodity is equal in all essential respects to the standard provided.
- 5.3 Bidders must prove to the satisfaction of the City Department Director, or by person or persons designated by him, that the bidders' designated substitute is equal to the standard; otherwise, his Proposal will be rejected.
- 5.4 The City reserves the right to determine if equipment or materials, which comply substantially in quality and performance with the specifications, are acceptable to the City and if any variance listed by the bidder in his/her Proposal is material or immaterial.
- 5.5 It is the intent of the City, if accepting any substitutes, to accept them in the order in which they are listed in the Proposals. The City has the right to accept substitutes in any order or combination and to determine the lowest bidder on the basis of the sum of the base Proposal and the substitutes accepted.

6.0 PROPOSED PRICE(S):

- 6.1 Bidders must state the proposed price(s) in the manner as designated in the Solicitation.
- 6.2 The final proposed, extended, total price should be stated both numerically and in written words.
- 6.3 In the event that there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the extended total, the City will choose between the unit price or the extended total whichever is lowest.
- 6.4 In the event there is a discrepancy between the price written in words, and the price written numerically, the City will choose between the price written in words or the price written numerically, whichever is lowest.

7.0 CONSIDERATIONS FOR REJECTING PROPOSALS:

- 7.1 If an area remains unserved due to lack of or rejection of Proposals, the City may, within its discretion, select and negotiate with a bidder already providing service to an area or with an entity qualified to provide service in all or part of the unserved area.
- 7.2 Unless otherwise specified, the City reserves the right to accept or reject Proposals in whole or in part, and to waive any informalities or irregularities not affecting substantial rights as may be in the best interest of the City.
- 7.3 The City reserves the right to reject the Proposal of any Bidder who has previously failed to perform properly or complete on time Contracts of a similar nature, who is not able to perform the Contract, has habitually, without just cause, neglected the payment of bills, or disregarded its obligations to sub-Contractors, materials, or employees.
- 7.4 The City reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals not accompanied by a requirement set forth in the Solicitation Documentation or if the Proposal, in any way, is incomplete or irregular and subject to Section 3.10 through 3.12.
- 7.5 in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 45-55-7 they City may reject a Proposal based on any of the following conditions:
 - A. Bid prices are in excess of available funding.
 - B. When multiple bids are received, all but the lowest 3 bidders can be rejected.
 - C. In the event when only one (1) bid is received, that bid can be rejected. A noncompetitive negotiation can commence with that bidder in accordance with § 45-55-8.

8.0 DELIVERY:

- 8.1 All Proposal prices must be based on Incoterms DDP (Delivered Duty Paid) Woonsocket, RI. The bidder will assume all costs, risks, and obligations, including import duties, taxes, clearance fees etc., if applicable, up to the destination point. At the destination point the loading or unloading the shipment will be set forth in the Contract, otherwise it will be at the discretion of the Department Director.
- 8.2 Deliverable quantities, dates and times must be met as per the purchase order, the Contract or written instructions provided by the Department Director or his designee.
- 8.3 No delivery will be accepted without written confirmation as outlined in Section 8.2.

9.0 PAYMENT TERMS:

- 9.1 All payment terms with the City are Net 60 (sixty) days.
- 9.2 Cash discounts offered will be considered in determining awards. However, discounts for a period less than twenty (20) days will not be considered. The discount period must be computed from date of delivery or from date the correct invoice is received by the City, whichever date is later. The date of delivery must be construed to mean the date on which the completed work is determined to meet the specifications and is therefore accepted by the City.

10.0 STATE & FEDERAL TAXES:

- 10.1 The City of Woonsocket is exempt from the Rhode Island sales or use tax under the 1956 General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, Section 44-18-30, Para. 1, as amended.
- 10.2 The City of Woonsocket is exempt from the payment of any excise tax or federal transportation taxes.
- 10.3 All bid pricing must exclude the taxes noted in Section 10 herein and it will be so construed.

11.0 QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDER:

- 11.1 The City may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of a bidder to perform the work, and the bidder must furnish to the City all such information and data for this purpose as the City may request.
- 11.2 The City reserves the right to reject any Proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of such bidder, fails to satisfy the City that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract and to complete the work according to the specifications.
- 11.3 One or more of the following conditions will result in the disqualification of a bidder and rejection of his/her Proposal:
 - A. Evidence of collusion among bidders.
 - B. A material misrepresentation in a Proposal.
 - C. Bidder's failure to meet the minimum criteria for responsiveness and responsibility.

12.0 AWARD AND CONTRACT:

- 12.1 It is the intent of the City, in accordance with state procurement regulations, to award a Contract promptly following the public opening of Proposals.
- 12.2 Contracts are awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidder offering the most advantageous price. It is contingent upon the bidder submitting their Proposals in accordance with the requirements set forth in the solicitation and judged to be reasonable and does not exceed the funds available.
- 12.3 A "Responsive Bidder" is a bidder who has submitted a Proposal, which conforms to all material aspects of the solicitation. Whereas a "Responsible Bidder" relates to the bidder's ability to satisfactorily perform the work.
- 12.4 The City reserves the right to determine the most responsive and responsible bidder in any way determined to be in the best interest of the City. An award may be based on any or all of the following factors:

- A. Adherence to all conditions and requirements of the solicitation.
- B. Price and Payment Terms.
- C. Qualifications of the bidder, including past performance, financial responsibility, general reputation, experience, service capabilities, and facilities.
- D. Delivery lead time or completion date.
- E. Product appearance, workmanship, finish, feel, overall quality, and results of product testing.
- F. Maintenance costs and warranty provisions.
- G. Repurchase or residual value.
- 12.5 The City reserves the right to consider total cost of ownership as a factor in the final award recommendation (i.e., transition costs, training costs, etc.).
- 12.6 The City reserves the right to award by item, part or portion of an item, group of items or total Proposal, to reject any and all Proposals in whole or in part, if, in the City's judgment, it is in the best interest of the City to do so.
- 12.7 The City reserves the right to award multiple, optional use Contracts. In addition to the other factors listed, offers will be evaluated on the basis of advantages and disadvantages to the City which may result in the awarding of a Contract to multiple bidders.
- 12.8 The successful respondent will receive an award letter with further instructions along with City department contact information.
- 12.9 Respondents that were not chosen will receive a courtesy notification letter that the award decision has been made.

13.0 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR FAILURE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT:

- 13.1 Upon failure or refusal to enter into a Contract or complete the Contract at the price in the Proposal, Bidder must forfeit to the City, as liquidated damages for such failure or refusal, the surety (i.e., Bid Bond) that may have been included in the Proposal.
- 13.2 The Bidder's forfeiture of the surety must be a waiver of all rights as a bidder under the Contract and must relieve the City of all responsibility to said bidder.

14.0 TIME OF COMMENCEMENT/COMPLETION:

- 14.1 A written award (or acceptance of a Proposal) mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful bidder and will be considered accepted by the City seven (7) calendar days following the transmitted or post marked date. The award letter may be followed by a City purchase order which will be deemed to result in a binding Contract without further action by either party.
- 14.2 The successful bidder, upon the notification of the acceptance of their Proposal, as defined in Section 14.1, must within ten (10) calendar days execute and deliver the Contract documents, insurance and bonds required by the solicitation.
- 14.3 The successful bidder must agree to commence work thirty (30) calendar days after acceptance by the City unless otherwise notified by a "Notice to Proceed" from the City, written communication by the Department Director or his designee.

- 14.4 The successful bidder must agree also to pay as liquidated damages the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for each consecutive calendar day, but no earlier than thirty (30) days after the fixed date for commencement/completion thereafter as determined by Section 14.3.
- 14.5 Allowances may be made when a force majeure event has occurred.
 - 14.5.1 A force majeure event may include, but is not limited to the following: (a) acts of God; (b) flood, fire, earthquake or explosion; (c) war, invasion, hostilities (whether war is declared or not), terrorist threats or acts, riot or other civil unrest; (d) government order or law; (e) actions, embargoes or blockades in effect on or after the date of this Agreement; (f) action by any governmental authority; (g) national or regional emergency; (h) strikes, labor stoppages or slowdowns or other industrial disturbances; (i) epidemic, pandemic or similar influenza or bacterial infection (which is defined by the United States Center for Disease Control as virulent human influenza or infection that may cause global outbreak, or pandemic, or serious illness); (j) emergency state; (k) shortage of adequate medical supplies and equipment; (l) shortage of power or transportation facilities; and (m) other similar events beyond the reasonable control of the impacted party.
- 14.6 After the offer has been presented to the successful bidder, and the successful bidder has accepted that offer, herein the bidder will further be referred to as the "Contractor".

15.0 LAWS AND REGULATIONS:

- 15.1 All applicable federal and state laws, City ordinances (including zoning ordinances) and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction applies to all Contracts and they are deemed to be included in all Contracts the same as though written out in full.
- 15.2 In the event of any inconsistencies between the above laws, regulations, or ordinances versus the provisions of the Contract, the laws, regulations, or ordinances will prevail.

16.0 CONTRACT SURETIES (BONDS):

- 16.1 When a Contract surety is required, the bidder and sub-bidders must furnish that surety for the value as outlined in the Solicitation. These may be in the form of a surety bond, certified check, treasurer's, or cashier's check made payable to the City.
- 16.2 Sureties are for the faithful performance of the Contract and for the payment of all persons performing labor on the project under the Contract and furnishing materials, equipment, and all other incidentals in connection with the Contract. Sureties may include, but are not limited to the following:
 - **A. Bid Bond** Guarantees that the Contractor will honor the Contract as per their Proposal.
 - **B.** Performance Bond Guarantees the City that the Contractor will perform all of its Contractual duties in accordance with the plans and specifications.
 - **C. Payment Bond** Guarantees that a Contractor will pay the labor, material, and sub-contractor costs on the project.
- 16.3 In accordance with Rhode Island General Laws, § 37-2-40. Bidder security (Bid Bond) shall be required for all competitive sealed bidding for construction contracts when the price is estimated by the City to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
 - 16.3.1 Bidder's security shall be in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid.

- 16.4 Rhode Island General Laws, Title 37, Public Property and Works, Chapter 12, Contractors' Bond, Sections 1 through 11.
 - 16.4.1 According to § 37-13-1 "Public works" means any public work consisting of grading, clearing, demolition, improvement, completion, repair, alteration, or construction of any public road or any bridge, or portion thereof, or any public building, or portion thereof, or any heavy construction, or any public works projects of any nature or kind whatsoever.

Bid Bond	All public works projects, in a sum not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price; Not required on projects under \$50,000.00. (§37-2-40)
Performance Bond Required:	All public works projects, in a sum not less than fifty percent (50%) and not more than one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price; Not required on projects under \$50,000.00. (§37-12-1)
Payment Bond Required:	All public works projects, in a sum not less than fifty percent (50%) and not more than one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price; Not required on projects under \$50,000.00. (§37-12-1)
Entitlement to Copy of Bond:	Upon submission of affidavit stating that applicant is being sued on the bond after 90 days from last work. (§ 37-12-1, § 37-12-5)
Enforcement:	Suit after 90 days from last work. (§37-12-2)
Limitations:	Two years from date of settlement of Contract. (§37-12-5)
Notice Requirements:	Notice must be sent certified mail to the prime Contractor within 90 days after the date on which the person furnished or performed the last of the labor, or furnished or supplied the last of the material or equipment. (§37-12-2)
Other:	Notice of the pendency of the suit shall be given by publication in some newspaper published in this state of general circulation in the City or town or every City or town in which the work covered by the Contract was carried on, once a week for three (3) successive weeks.

- 16.5 The surety of such bonds must be from a duly authorized surety company licensed to bond in the State of Rhode Island, and the cost of same will be paid by the bidder/Contractor.
- 16.6 Before final acceptance, the bonds must be approved by the City. The bonding company providing the surety must be listed in the Federal Register as issued by the Department of Treasury, Department Circular 570, latest edition, as well as being licensed in the State of Rhode Island to provide surety.
- 16.7 Attorneys-in-fact who sign bid bonds or Contract bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.
- 16.8 Bid bonds, certified checks, treasurers, or cashier's checks will be returned to all except the three lowest bidders within a reasonable time after the opening of bids. The remaining bid bonds, checks will be returned promptly after the City and the accepted Contractor(s) have executed the Contract.

16.9 If no award has been made within ninety (90) days after the date of the opening of the Proposals, upon demand of the bidder, at any time, thereafter, can request the return of their bond so long as he/she has not been notified of the acceptance of their Proposal.

 $16.10\,$ No Proposal will be considered for a Contract if Section $16.1\,$ is identified as a requirement and that requirement is either not submitted with the Proposal, the value submitted is not sufficient or an irregularity has not been corrected within two (2) hours after the notification that such irregularity exists .

17.0 PREVAILING WAGES AND RETAINERS:

1. PREVAILING WAGES -

- 17.1 In accordance with Rhode Island General Law 37-13-7 when state or municipal funds are used for any public works project in excess of \$1,000, the Contractor is subject to prevailing wage laws.
 - 17.1.1 The current prevailing wage laws and the general prevailing rate of pay, as determined by the Director of Labor and Training, pertains to regular, holiday and overtime wages to be paid to each craftsman, mechanic, teamster, laborer, or other type of worker performing work in construction, alteration, and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of public buildings.
 - 17.1.2 Prevailing wage rates are available from the Rhode Island Department of Labor at https://dlt.ri.gov/regulation-and-safety/prevailing-wage.

2. RETAINERS -

- 17.2 In accordance with Rhode Island General Law § 44-1-6 any person doing business with a nonresident Contractor shall withhold payment of an amount of three percent (3%) of the Contract price until thirty (30) days after the Contractor has completed the Contract and has requested the tax administrator, in writing, to audit the records for the particular project, a receipted copy of the request to be furnished to the person holding the funds. The tax administrator shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt of the request, furnish to the nonresident Contractor and to the person holding the funds either a certificate of no tax due or a certificate of sales and use tax or income tax withheld, or both, due from the nonresident Contractor.
 - 17.2.1 Upon receipt of a certificate of no tax due, the person holding the payment may pay the nonresident Contractor. Upon receipt of a certificate of taxes due, the person may pay to the Contractor out of the amount withheld the excess over the amount of taxes stated in the certificate together with the interest and penalties assessed. If the tax administrator furnishes neither certificate to both parties within thirty (30) days after receipt of a written request for the making of the audit, the person holding the payment may immediately pay the payment withheld to the nonresident Contractor under the terms of the Contract free from any claims of the tax administrator against either the person holding the payment or the nonresident Contractor for payment of sales or use taxes or income taxes withheld, or both if the City does business with a non-Rhode Island Contractor, the City must withhold payment of an amount of not more than five percent (5%) of the Contracted price. This is to secure payment for any sales tax, use tax, and/or income tax that may be due to the State of Rhode Island.

18.0 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

18.1 To the extent applicable, the amounts and types of insurance will conform to the minimum terms, conditions and coverages of Insurance Services Office (ISO) policies, forms, and endorsements. All Contractors and Subcontractors are subject to the insurance requirements as set forth in Section 18.

- 18.2 It is the responsibility of the Contracting party with the City to confirm that all subcontractors, under their employ for the Contract, are following the insurance requirements as set forth in Section 18.
- 18.3 Contractors for public works projects must comply with the minimum insurance requirements imposed by the State as outlined in Section 18.6. If additional insurance requirements are set forth in the Solicitation Documents, the Contractor must comply with those requirements.
- 18.4 If there is a discrepancy between the minimum insurance requirements imposed by the State and the requirements set forth in the Solicitation, the greater insurance coverage requirements will prevail.
- 18.5 The Contracted party will not commence work under any Contract for the City until they have obtained all the required insurance and has been approved by the City.
- 18.6 In accordance with Rhode Island Code of Regulations, Title 220, Chapter 30, Part 13 "General Conditions of Purchase" outlined in Addendum A, Section A4., has established the minimum type and limits of insurance coverage requirements for <u>Public Works Projects</u>.
 - 18.6.1 <u>Commercial General Liability Insurance</u> covers bodily injury (including death), broad form property damage, personal and advertising injury, independent Contractors, products and completed operations and Contractual liability. The general aggregate must be on a "per project" or "per location" basis.
 - A. \$1,000,000 each occurrence
 - B. \$2,000,000 each occurrence if blasting is required
 - C. \$1,000,000 general aggregate with dedicated limits per project site
 - D. \$1,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate
 - E. \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury
 - 18.6.2 <u>Automobile Liability Insurance</u> covers bodily injury and property damage for any vehicles used in conjunction with the performance of this Contract including owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles.
 - A. \$1,000,000 combined single limit each accident
 - 18.6.3 <u>Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability</u> statutory coverage as required by the workers' compensation laws of the State of Rhode Island, plus any applicable state law, other than State of Rhode Island, if employee(s) state of hire is other than State of Rhode Island or employee(s) work related to the Contract is not in the State of Rhode Island.
 - 18.6.3.1 Employers' Liability with minimum limits of:
 - A. \$100,000 each accident
 - B. \$100,000 bodily injury by disease for each employee
 - C. \$100,000 bodily injury disease aggregate
 - D. \$5,000,000 per occurrence/\$5,000,000 annual aggregate
 - 18.6.3.2 A Contract Party, who is an independent Contractor, is neither eligible for, nor entitled to, Worker's Compensation under Rhode Island law. Independent Contractors must comply with the statutory procedure precluding an independent Contract Party from bringing a workers' compensation claim against the City.
- 18.7 **<u>Professional Liability</u>** (for consultants, engineers, and other individuals/businesses providing professional services)
 - A. \$1,000,000 Each Claim/Wrongful Act

B. \$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate

- 18.8 All required insurance will be placed with insurers authorized to do business in the State of Rhode Island and Rated "A-, class X" or better by A.M. Best Company, Inc.
- 18.9 The required insurance will be procured at the sole cost and expense of the Contractor.
- 18.10 Certificates of Insurance policies must include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City.
- 18.11 As evidence of the insurance required by this Contract, the Contract Party shall furnish to the City Certificates of Insurance, including confirmation of all required policy endorsements including, but not limited to, additional insured endorsements:
 - 18.11.1 In a form acceptable to the requesting Department and the Office of Purchasing.
 - 18.11.2 Failure to comply with this provision may result in rejection of the bid offer.
- 18.12 All Certificates of Insurance and to the extent possible will contain the following:
 - A. The name and address of the insured (Certificate Holder).
 - B. The Certificate Number and Policy Numbers.
 - C. The type of insurance and the liability limits.
 - D. The effective date and expiration date of the policy.
 - E. Statement which refers to the City Contract and insurance specification and states that such insurance is required by the Contract.
 - F. Waiver of subrogation in favor of City.
 - F. Statement as to exclusions and methods of cancellation.
 - G. Include the requirement of the insurer for thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation or non-renewal of any insurance policy to: City Hall, Office of Purchasing, Attn: Purchasing Agent, 169 Main Street, Woonsocket. RI 02895
- 18.13 The Contract Party shall be responsible to obtain and maintain insurance on any real or personal property owned, leased or used by City that is in the care, custody or control of Contract Party. All property insurance of Contract Party must include a waiver of subrogation that shall apply in favor of the Insured Parties.
- 18.14 No warranty is made that the coverages and limits listed in Section 18.6 are adequate to cover and protect the interests of the Contract Party for the Contract Party's operations. These are minimums that have been established to protect the interest of the City by the State.
- 18.15 City shall be indemnified and held harmless as required by the Contract and to the full extent of any coverage actually secured by the Contract Party in excess of the minimum requirements set forth in Section 18.6.
- 18.16 The Contract Party shall use at its own risk, and insure at its own cost, any of its owned, leased or used real or personal property.
- 18.17 The Contract Party shall comply with any other insurance requirements including, but not limited to, additional coverage or limits contained in the solicitation.
- 18.18 The Contractor will continue, at their sole cost and expense, to obtain and maintain the required insurance to ensure all the requirements of Section 13 remain in full force and effect during the entire term of the Contract until all obligations of Contracting Party have been discharged by the City.

- 18.18.1 This includes, but is not limited to, any warranty periods or extended reporting periods, against which claims may arise out of, are alleged to arise out of, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from or in connection with the Contract and/or result from the performance of the Contract.
- 18.19 Contract Party will also immediately notify the City if the Required Insurance is cancelled, non-renewed, potential exhaustion of policy limits or otherwise changed.
- 18.20 Failure to comply with these Insurance Requirements is a material breach entitling the City to terminate or suspend the Contract immediately.

19.0 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

- 19.1 The City has adopted an **Equal Employment Opportunity Clause**, which is incorporated into all specifications, purchase orders, and Contracts, whereby a supplier agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment as defined in Section 19.2.
- 19.2 For all Contracts for supplies and/or services exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), Contractors must comply with the requirements of federal executive order no. 11246, as amended, R.I. General Law § 28-5.1-10, and other regulations as issued by the purchasing agent, and administered by the state equal opportunity office of the department of administration.
- 19.3 By submitting qualifications, Proposals or bids, the firm is attesting to the City that they are an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- 19.4 Non-compliance with the provisions of this Section will be considered a substantial breach of the Contract subject to penalties or remedies invoked as provided by statute or regulation. Including, but not limited to, being declared ineligible for future Contracts or other sanctions.

20.0 OSHA SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM:

- 20.1 In accordance with Rhode Island General Law § 37-23-1 (2018), all Contractors performing work on municipal and state construction projects with a total project cost of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or more, shall have an OSHA "ten (10) hour construction safety program" for their on-site employees. The training program shall utilize instructors trained by the occupational safety and health administration, using an OSHA approved curriculum.
 - 20.1.1 Graduates shall receive a card from the U.S. department of labor occupational safety and health administration certifying the successful completion of the training course.
- 20.2 Every person shall have a card issued by the U.S. department of labor occupational safety and health administration certifying their successful completion of the OSHA ten (10) hour training program, as required by this section, on their person at all times while work is actually being performed on municipal and state construction projects. No person shall transfer their card certifying their successful completion of the OSHA ten (10) hour training program to another person. Failure to comply with this section shall subject the holder to penalties prescribed by the director of the department of labor and training.

NOTE: The General Contract Provisions were developed and issued by the Purchasing Department. These provisions standardize the general requirements for conducting business with the City of Woonsocket. The specifications, on the other hand, are the detailed instructions for conducting business with a Department of the City for a clearly defined, specific project. These provisions may be added to, deleted, or modified at any time, for any reason, as may be in the best interest of the City.

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DIVISION 0

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS, CONTRACT FORMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT

SECTION 00310

BID PROPOSAL FORM

To: City of Woonsocket – Finance Department

169 Main Street P.O. Box B

Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895

Project: Woonsocket Water Division

Lead Service Line Replacement

February 2024

Pare Project No. 21047.00 Woonsocket Bid No. 6205

Date:			
Submitted by:			
(full name)			
(full address)			
1.00 OFFER			

Having examined the Place of the Work and all matters referred to in the Instructions to Bidders, Information for Bidders, and the Contract Documents as a whole as prepared by Pare Corporation, Engineer for the above mentioned project, we, the undersigned, hereby offer to enter into a Contract to perform the Work for the Price of:

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(Figures)

(Total price in words) dollars, in lawful money of the United States of America.

The Owner hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to select the bid that best serves the interest of the City of Woonsocket.

Attention is called to information contained in Section 01250 - Measurement and Payment, for information concerning Bid Proposal Form Items.

We have included herewith, the required security deposit, Bid Bond, as required by the Instruction to Bidders.

2.00 EXPERIENCE/SUBMITTALS

- A. The Owner intends on awarding a Contract based on their assessment of Bids and determination of the most advantageous Bid package. This will include evaluation of the submitted Bid Proposal and supplemental information requested by Owner and/or included by Bidder. Requirements for Bid Proposal attachments are described in Instructions for Bidders.
- B. The Owner may make such additional investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the Work, and the Bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any Bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract and to complete the Work contemplated therein.

3.00 SIGNATURE

- A. The Bid Form shall be signed by the Bidder, as follows:
 - 1. Sole Proprietorship: Signature of sole proprietor in the presence of a witness who will also sign. Insert the words "Sole Proprietor" under the signature. Affix seal.
 - 2. Partnership: Signature of all partners in the presence of a witness who will also sign. Insert the word "Partner" under each signature. Affix seal to each signature.
 - 3. Corporation: Signature of a duly authorized signing officer(s) in their normal signatures. Insert the officer's capacity in which the signing officer acts, under each signature. Affix the corporate seal. If the Bid is signed by officials other than the President and Secretary of the company, or the President/Secretary/Treasurer of the company, a copy of the bylaw resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing them to do so, must also be submitted with the Bid Form in the Bid envelope.
 - 4. Joint Venture: Each party of the joint venture shall execute the Bid Form under their respective seals in a manner appropriate to such party as described above, similar to the requirements of a Partnership.

4.00 UNIT PRICES

BID PROPOSAL FORM

NOTE: THE UNIT PRICE FOR EACH ITEM MUST BE WRITTEN IN WORDS AND FIGURES. IN CASE OF DISCREPANCY, THE AMOUNT SHOWN IN WORDS WILL GOVERN.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL COST
1.	Mobilization and Demobilization	LS	1		
	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
2.	Erosion Controls	LF	200		
ТОТА	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
3.		EA	5		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
4.	Furnish and Install 1-Inch Type K Copper Service	LF	3,000		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
5.		EA	80		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
6.	Furnish and Install Residential Dual Check Backflow Preventer	EA	65		
ТОТА	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
7.	Furnish and Install Reduced Pressure Zone Backflow Preventer	EA	15		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				

BID PROPOSAL FORM

NOTE: THE UNIT PRICE FOR EACH ITEM MUST BE WRITTEN IN WORDS AND FIGURES. IN CASE OF DISCREPANCY, THE AMOUNT SHOWN IN WORDS WILL GOVERN.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL COST
8.	Furnish and Install Water Heater Expansion Tank	EA	80		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
9.	Pavement Restoration	TONS	300		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
10.	Concrete Walk and Step Restoration	SY	100		
	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
11.	Non-Pavement Restoration	SF	15,000		
	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
12.	Remove and Reset Granite Curb	LF	100		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
13.	Rock Removal		100		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
14.	Remove and Replace Unsuitable Material	СҮ	100		
TOTA	L PRICE IN WORDS:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

BID PROPOSAL FORM

NOTE: THE UNIT PRICE FOR EACH ITEM MUST BE WRITTEN IN WORDS AND FIGURES. IN CASE OF DISCREPANCY, THE AMOUNT SHOWN IN WORDS WILL GOVERN.

15.	Tree Removal				COST
	(Up to 12-Inch Diameter)	EA	10		
TOTAI	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
16.	Tree Removal (Larger than 12-Inch Dia.)		10		
TOTAL	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
17.	Tree Protection Device	LF	50		
TOTAI	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
18.	Segmental Block Retaining Wall Remove and Reset	LF	50		
	L PRICE IN WORDS:				
19.	Support Existing Utilities	ALLOW	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
TOTAI	L PRICE IN WORDS: <u>Ten Thou</u>	usand Dollars ar	nd Zero Cents		
20.	Non-Standard Restoration	ALLOW	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
TOTAI	L PRICE IN WORDS: Twenty 1	Thousand Dollar	rs and Zero Cents		
21.	City of Woonsocket Permit Fees	ALLOW	1	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
TOTAI	L PRICE IN WORDS: Fifty The	ousand Dollars a	and Zero Cents		

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The Total Amount of this Price Proposal based upon the estimated quantities listed on the previous pages (total of Items No. 1 through 21, inclusive), as computed by the Proposer is:

				_Dollars
		(in words)		
and		Cents	\$	
	(in words)	_	(in figures)	

Note: This total amount, above, shall match precisely the "Total Contract Price" on Page 1 of the Price Proposal Form.

5.00 ACCEPTANCE

This offer shall be open to acceptance and is irrevocable for ninety (90) days from the Bid closing date.

If this Bid is accepted by the Owner within the time period stated above, we will:

Execute the Agreement within fifteen (15) days of receipt of Notice of Award.

Furnish the required bonds within fifteen (15) days of receipt of Notice of Award in the form described in Information to Proposers.

Commence work within fifteen (15) days after written Notice to Proceed.

If this Bid is accepted within the time stated, and we fail to commence the Work or we fail to provide the required Bond(s), the security deposit shall be forfeited as damages to the Owner by reason of our failure, limited in amount to the lesser of the face value of the security deposit or the difference between this Bid and the Bid upon which the Contract is signed.

In the event our Bid is not accepted within the time stated above, the required security deposit shall be returned to the undersigned, in accordance with the provisions of the Instructions to Bidders; unless a mutually satisfactory arrangement is made for its retention and validity for an extended period of time.

6.00 CONTRACT TIME

If this Bid is accepted, the Bidder hereby agrees to commence work under this Contract on or before a date to be specified in the Notice to Proceed and to substantially complete the project within 180 calendar days.

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	llowing Addenda have been received. The meen considered and all costs thereto are includ	odifications to the Contract Documents noted therein ed in the Price Proposal.			
Adden	dum #	Dated			
Adden	dum #	Dated			
Adden	dum #	Dated			
Adden	dum #	Dated			
8.00	APPENDICES				
Bidder	s shall submit the following, which shall beco	me an integral part of the Bid package.			
1.	Submit Documents 00400 - Supplements to stipulated in Instructions for Bidders.	Bid Proposal Form in accordance with the procedure			
2.	2. Submit Documents 00410 – Reference Statement forms, in accordance with the procedur stipulated in Instructions for Bidders.				
9.00	PRICE PROPOSAL FORM SIGNATURE(S)			
The Co	orporate Seal of				
(Bid	der - please print the full name of your Proprie	etorship, Partnership, or Corporation)			
was he	reunto affixed in the presence of:				
	(Authorized signing officer	Title)			
(Seal)					
	(Authorized signing officer	Title)			

7.00

ADDENDA

If the Bid is a joint venture or partnership, add additional forms of execution for each member of the joint venture in the appropriate form or forms as above.



SUPPLEMENTS TO BID PROPOSAL

SECTION 00400

To: City of Woonsocket – Finance Department

169 Main Street P.O. Box B

Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895

Project: Woonsocket Water Division

Lead Service Line Replacement

February 2024 Project No. 21047.00 Woonsocket Bid No. 6205

Date:	_		
Submitted by: (full name)			
(full address)			

In accordance with the General Contract Provisions, we include the Supplements to Bid Proposal appendices listed below. The information provided shall be considered an integral part of the Bid Proposal.

Appendix A: Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the total Bid Proposal

Appendix B: Certificate of Insurance

SUPPLEMENT 00410 REFERENCE STATEMENT

(Fill Out Completely)

A. Organization providing Lead Service Line Replacement

The undersigned offers the following information as evidence of his qualifications to perform the work as bid upon according to all requirements of the contract documents:

1.	State how long you have been in business under the same business name and owner/management structure:
2.	Have you ever been terminated on an awarded contract, or has the proposer otherwise failed to complete any work awarded? . If "yes", attach your description
	of the circumstances on a separate sheet. Include names and telephone numbers of customer(s): the City will expand the list of references to include these specific customers, if any.
3.	Have you, within the previous five (5) years, performed work for the City of Woonsocket? (yes or no)
4.	List on this form three (3) recent contracts under which you provided water service line replacement for a public water supplier or private owner. As part of the Proposal Evaluation, the City of Woonsocket may contact any reference.
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В.	EXACT NAME OF FIRM:	
	(_) a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of _	
	(_) a partnership	
	(_) a joint venture	
	(_) a limited liability company	
	(_) an individual doing business as	
BUSI	INESS	ADDRESS:
CITY	//TOWN, STATE AND ZIP:	
TELE	EPHONE, including area code:	

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SECTION 00500			CONTRACT AGREEMENT
THIS AGREEMENT is dat executed in the City of Woo		•	in the year 2024, and
BETWEEN the OWNER: 7 called OWNER.	The City of Woonsocko	et, by and through the C	Office of Purchasing, hereinafter
and the CONTRACTOR: (Name and Address)			
The PROJECT is:	Lead Service Line Woonsocket Bid	*	
The ARCHITECT/ ENGINEER is:	Pare Corporation		

OWNER and CONTRACTOR, in consideration of the contract sum and the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, agree as follows:

8 Blackstone Valley Place

Lincoln, RI 02865

ARTICLE 1. WORK.

(Name and Address)

1.1. The CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish all equipment, machinery, tools, and labor; to furnish and deliver all materials required to be furnished and delivered in and about the improvement; and to perform all work required for the City of Woonsocket, <u>Lead Service Line Replacement</u>, in strict conformity with the provisions of this Contract Agreement.

ARTICLE 2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

2.1. The Contract Documents consist of the "Contract Documents for Lead Service Line Replacement". The Contract Documents include this Agreement, Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary and other Conditions), Technical Specifications, Appendices, Addenda issued prior to execution of this Agreement, Invitation to Bid (Notice to Contractors), Bid Proposal, Summary of Work, Bonds and Insurance requirements, other documents listed in this Agreement, and all Modifications issued after execution of this Agreement. These documents form the Contract and are as fully a part of the Contract as if attached to this Agreement or incorporated herein. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral.

ARTICLE 3. CONTRACT TIME.

3.1. The CONTRACTOR shall be prepared to begin the Work to be performed under this contract as set forth in the bid within fifteen (15) calendar days of the date indicated in the Notice to Proceed. The Work shall be prosecuted from as many different points, in such part or parts and at such time as necessary and shall be conducted in such a manner and with such materials, equipment, and labor as are necessary to ensure completion within the time set forth below. Should the prosecution of the Work for any reason be discontinued, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the OWNER at least twenty-four (24) hours before resuming operations. The OWNER will assist CONTRACTOR with obtaining access to private property for the performance of the work of this Contract.

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3.2. The Contractor shall pay to the OWNER for each and every calendar day that he shall be in default in completing the entire work within the time and specifications stipulated, the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) a day for no fault of City excessive delay of project beyond the completion date established in the Contract. This sum is hereby agreed upon, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages, which the OWNER will suffer by reason of such default. The OWNER shall have the right to deduct the amount of any such damages from any moneys due the Contractor under this Contract.

ARTICLE 4. CONTRACT SUM

4.1. The OWNER shall pay the CONTRACTOR in current fur	nds for the CONTRACTOR's performance
of the Contract the Contract Sum of	Dollars
(\$), subject to additions and
deductions as provided in the Contract Documents.	•

ARTICLE 5. PAYMENT PROCEDURES.

- 5.1. CONTRACTOR shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with the General Conditions. Applications for Payment will be processed by the ENGINEER as provided in the General and Supplementary Conditions.
- 5.2. Progress Payments. OWNER shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Price on the basis of CONTRACTOR's monthly Applications for Payment as certified by the ENGINEER. All progress payments shall be on the basis of the progress of the Work measured by the schedule of values established in the General Conditions (and in the case of Unit Price Work based on the number of units completed) or, in the event there is no schedule of values, as provided in the General Requirements. The OWNER shall retain five percent (5%) of the progress or monthly payments claimed and pay the Contractor on or before the last day of the following month. Retainage will be released within 90 days after final inspection and acceptance of the Work.
- 5.3. *Final Payment*. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work in accordance with the General Conditions, OWNER shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price as certified by the ENGINEER as provided in said General Conditions.

ARTICLE 6. SURETY.

6.1. As security	for the full	and faithful	perform	ance of this c	ontract a	and all the inc	idents there	eto, the
CONTRACTOR	has	made	and	furnished	a	contract	bond	with
			as	surety. Said F	Performa	nce and Paymo	ent Bonds s	shall be
equal to one hund	dred percent	(100%) of tl	he Contra	act Sum, with a	a Surety	company regis	stered and 1	icensed
in the State of Rh	ode İsland.	· · ·			•			

6.2. An original, executed copy of the surety instruments shall be submitted to the OWNER.

ARTICLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- 7.1. Terms used in this Agreement are defined in the General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions and shall have the meanings as set forth in the General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions.
- 7.2. No assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract Documents will be binding on another party hereto without the prior written consent of the party sought to be bound; and specifically but without limitation moneys that may become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without prior written consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be

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By: _____

Title: ____

limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.

7.3. OWNER and CONTRACTOR each binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party hereto, its partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives in respect of all covenants, agreements and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

The Contract may be terminated by the OWNER or the CONTRACTOR as provided in the General

ARTICLE 8. TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION.

CONTRACTOR ____

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SECTION 00620	BID BOND
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:	
That we,Principal, and	,as
Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Rhode Island, as Oblige	
<u> </u>	Dollars
(\$), well and truly to paid, and for the paymen	nt of which we and
each of us hereby bind our self, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and a severally, firmly by these presents.	ssigns, jointly and

Whereas, the Principal has submitted a Bid for the City of Woonsocket's <u>Lead Service Line Replacement</u>.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the City of Woonsocket shall accept the Bid of the Principal and the Principal shall enter into a Contract with the City of Woonsocket in accordance with the terms of such Bid, and give such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents with good and sufficient surety for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof, or in the event of the failure of the Principal to enter such Contract and give such bond or bonds, if the Principal shall pay to the City of Woonsocket the difference not to exceed the penalty hereof between the amount specified in said Bid and such larger amount for which the City may in good faith contract with another party to perform the Work covered by said Bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force.

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BID BOND

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto the City of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, this		
WITNESS:		
	(Principal)	_
	By:Name & Title (Affix Corporate Seal)	_
	(Surety)	_
	By:Attorney-in-fact (Affix Corporate Seal Here	
	FEIN No.	
	(Attach Power of Attorney to this I	Bond)

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SECTION 00630 PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That	we,									,as	s Prin	cipal
and _									, as	s Sure	ty, are	held
and	firmly	bound	unto	the	City	of	Woonsocket,	as	Oblige,	in	the	sum
of											D	ollars
(\$), '	well and	l truly	to paid, and for	the pa	ayment of v	vhich	we and	l each
of us	hereby	bind our	self, our	heirs	, execut	ors, a	dministrators, su	access	ors and as	signs,	jointly	y and
severa	ılly, firm	ly by these	present	S.						_		

THIS OBLIGATION IS UPON THE CONDITION that if the person or persons designated in the contract annexed hereto as the Contractor, shall faithfully furnish and perform everything required to be furnished and performed by them under the provisions of said Contract then this obligation shall be void; otherwise, it shall remain in full force and effect.

In the event that the said contract is abandoned by the Contractor, or the work of the Contractor is discontinued by the City of Woonsocket under the provisions of the GENERAL CONDITIONS, said surety hereby further agrees that it shall, if requested in writing by the City of Woonsocket, take such action as is necessary to complete said contract.

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, said surety company hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of said contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Contract Documents accompanying the same shall in any wise affect its obligation on this bond, and does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of said contract or to the work or to the specifications.

Said surety hereby certifies and affirms under the penalties of perjury that said surety is licensed by the State of Rhode Island.

Any legal action commenced by Principal or Surety must be commenced within two (2) years from the date of final payment.

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PERFORMANCE BOND

			ed, sealed and delivered this instruction and delivered this instruction.
WITNESS:	(Principal)		
			By: Name & Title (Affix Corporate Seal)
	(Surety	7)	
			By: Attorney-in-fact (Affix Corporate Seal Here)
			FEIN No.
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GENERAL CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY

1.01 Defined Terms

- A. Wherever 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 both the singular and 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 which is evidence of the agreement between Owner and Contractor covering the Work.
- 3. Application for Payment--The form acceptable to Engineer which is to be used by Contractor during the course of the Work in requesting progress or final payments and which is to be accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.
- 4. Asbestos--Any material that contains more than one percent asbestos and is friable or is releasing asbestos fibers into the air above current action levels established by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration.
- 5. *Bid--*The offer or proposal of a Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.
- 6. *Bidder*--The individual or entity who submits a Bid directly to Owner.
- 7. Bidding Documents--The Bidding Requirements and the proposed Contract Documents (including all Addenda).
- 8. Bidding Requirements--The Advertisement or Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders, bid security of acceptable form, if any, and the Bid Form with any supplements.

- 9. Change Order--A document recommended by Engineer which is signed by Contractor and Owner and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement.
- 10. Claim--A demand or assertion by Owner or Contractor 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 the Owner and Contractor concerning the Work. The Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, whether written or oral.
- 12. Contract Documents-- Those items so designated in the Agreement. Only printed or hard copies of the items listed in the Agreement are Contract Documents. Approved Shop Drawings, other Contractor's submittals, and the reports and drawings of subsurface and physical conditions are not Contract Documents.
- 13. Contract Price--The moneys payable by Owner to Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents as stated in the Agreement (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 11.03 in the case of Unit Price Work).
- 14. Contract Times--The number of days or the dates stated in the Agreement to: (i) achieve Milestones, if any, (ii) achieve Substantial Completion; and (iii) complete the Work so that it is ready for final payment as evidenced by Engineer's written recommendation of final payment.
- 15. *Contractor*--The individual or entity with whom Owner has entered into the Agreement.
- 16. Cost of the Work--See Paragraph 11.01.A for definition.
- 17. *Drawings*--That part of the Contract Documents prepared or approved by Engineer which graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor. Shop Drawings and other Contractor submittals are not Drawings as so defined.
- 18. 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.
- 19. *Engineer*--The individual or entity named as such in the Agreement.

- 20. *Field Order*--A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but which does not involve a change in the Contract Price or the Contract Times.
- 21. *General Requirements*--Sections of Division 1 of the Specifications. The General Requirements pertain to all sections of the Specifications.
- 22. Hazardous Environmental Condition--The presence at the Site of Asbestos, PCBs, Petroleum, Hazardous Waste, or Radioactive Material in such quantities or circumstances that may present a substantial danger to persons or property exposed thereto in connection with the Work.
- 23. *Hazardous Waste*--The term Hazardous Waste shall have the meaning provided in Section 1004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 USC Section 6903) as amended from time to time.
- 24. 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.
- 25. *Liens*--Charges, security interests, or encumbrances upon Project funds, real property, or personal property.
- 26. *Milestone--*A principal event specified in the Contract Documents relating to an intermediate completion date or time prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work.
- 27. *Notice of Award--*The written notice by Owner to the Successful Bidder stating that upon timely compliance by the Successful Bidder with the conditions precedent listed therein, Owner will sign and deliver the Agreement.
- 28. Notice to Proceed--A written notice given by Owner to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Times will commence to run and on which Contractor shall start to perform the Work under the Contract Documents.
- 29. *Owner*--The individual or entity with whom Contractor has entered into the Agreement and for whom the Work is to be performed.
 - 30. PCBs--Polychlorinated biphenyls.
- 31. Petroleum--Petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is liquid at standard conditions of temperature and pressure (60 degrees Fahrenheit and 14.7 pounds per square inch absolute), such as oil, petroleum, fuel oil, oil sludge, oil refuse, gasoline, kerosene, and oil mixed with other non-Hazardous Waste and crude oils.

- 32. *Progress Schedule*—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, describing the sequence and duration of the activities comprising the Contractor's plan to accomplish the Work within the Contract Times.
- 33. *Project*--The total construction of which the Work to be performed under the Contract Documents may be the whole, or a part.
- 34. *Project Manual*—The bound documentary information prepared for bidding and constructing the Work. A listing of the contents of the Project Manual, which may be bound in one or more volumes, is contained in the table(s) of contents.
- 35. Radioactive Material--Source, special nuclear, or byproduct material as defined by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 USC Section 2011 et seq.) as amended from time to time.
- 36. *Related Entity* -- An officer, director, partner, employee, agent, consultant, or subcontractor.
- 37. Resident Project Representative--The authorized representative of Engineer who may be assigned to the Site or any part thereof.
- 38. Samples-Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are representative of some portion of the Work and which establish the standards by which such portion of the Work will be judged.
- 39. Schedule of Submittals--A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, of required submittals and the time requirements to support scheduled performance of related construction activities.
- 40. Schedule of Values--A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, allocating portions of the Contract Price to various portions of the Work and used as the basis for reviewing Contractor's Applications for Payment.
- 41. Shop Drawings--All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or information which are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Contractor and submitted by Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work.
- 42. Site--Lands or areas indicated in the Contract Documents as being furnished by Owner upon which the Work is to be performed, including rights-of-way and easements for access thereto, and such other lands furnished by Owner which are designated for the use of Contractor.
- 43. Specifications--That part of the Contract Documents consisting of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards and workmanship as applied to the Work, and certain

administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable thereto.

- 44. Subcontractor--An individual or entity having a direct contract with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work at the Site.
- 45. Substantial Completion--The time at which the Work (or a specified part thereof) has progressed to the point where, in the opinion of Engineer, the Work (or a specified part thereof) is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that the Work (or a specified part thereof) can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended. The terms "substantially complete" and "substantially completed" as applied to all or part of the Work refer to Substantial Completion thereof.
- 46. *Successful Bidder*--The Bidder submitting a responsive Bid to whom Owner makes an award.
- 47. Supplementary Conditions--That part of the Contract Documents which amends or supplements these General Conditions.
- 48. Supplier--A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, materialman, or vendor having a direct contract with Contractor or with any Subcontractor to furnish materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work by Contractor or any Subcontractor.
- 49. Underground Facilities--All underground pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or attachments, and any encasements containing such facilities, including those that convey electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, cable television, water, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems.
- 50. *Unit Price Work*--Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.
- 51. Work--The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Contract Documents. Work includes and is the result of performing or providing all labor, services, and documentation necessary to produce such construction, and furnishing, installing, and incorporating all materials and equipment into such construction, all as required by the Contract Documents.
- 52. Work Change Directive--A written statement to Contractor issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work, or responding to differing or unforeseen subsurface or physical conditions under which the Work is to be performed or to emergencies. A Work Change Directive will not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times

but is evidence that the parties expect that the change ordered or documented by a Work Change Directive will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order following negotiations by the parties as to its effect, if any, on the Contract Price or Contract Times.

1.02 Terminology

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

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 "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 Work. It is intended that such exercise of professional judgment, action or determination will be solely to evaluate, in general, the Work for compliance with the 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 is not intended to and shall not be effective to assign to Engineer any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility contrary to the provisions of Paragraph 9.09 or any other provision of the Contract Documents.

C. Day

1. The word "day" means a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.

D. Defective

- 1. The word "defective," when modifying the word "Work," refers to Work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or deficient in that it:
 - a. does not conform to the Contract Documents, or
 - b. does not meet the requirements of any applicable inspection, reference standard, test, or approval referred to in the Contract Documents, or
 - c. has been damaged prior to Engineer's recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by Owner at Substantial Completion in accordance with Paragraph 14.04 or 14.05).

E. Furnish, Install, Perform, Provide

- 1. The word "furnish," when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to supply and deliver said services, materials, or equipment to the Site (or some other specified location) ready for use or installation and in usable or operable condition.
- 2. The word "install," when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to put into use or place in final position said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- 3. The words "perform" or "provide," when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- 4. When "furnish," "install," "perform," or "provide" is not used in connection with services, materials, or equipment in a context clearly requiring an obligation of Contractor, "provide" is implied.
- F. Unless stated otherwise in the Contract Documents, words or phrases which have a well-known 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 and Evidence of Insurance

- A. When Contractor delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Owner, Contractor shall also deliver to Owner such bonds as Contractor may be required to furnish.
- B. Evidence of Insurance: Before any Work at the Site is started, Contractor and Owner shall each deliver to the other, with copies to each additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance which either of them or any additional insured may reasonably request) which Contractor and Owner respectively are required to purchase and maintain in accordance with Article 5.

2.02 Copies of Documents

- A. Owner shall furnish to Contractor up to ten printed or hard copies of the Drawings and Project Manual. Additional copies will be furnished upon request at the cost of reproduction.
- 2.03 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.

2.04 Starting the Work

A. Contractor shall start to perform the Work on the date when the Contract Times commence to run. No Work shall be done at the Site prior to the date on which the Contract Times commence to run.

2.05 Before Starting Construction

- A. Preliminary Schedules: Within 10 days after the Effective Date of the Agreement (unless otherwise specified in the General Requirements), Contractor shall submit to Engineer for timely review:
- 1. a preliminary Progress Schedule; indicating the times (numbers of days or dates) for starting and completing the various stages of the Work, including any Milestones specified in the Contract Documents;
 - 2. a preliminary Schedule of Submittals; and
- 3. a preliminary Schedule of Values for all of the Work which includes quantities and prices of items which when added together equal the Contract Price and subdivides the Work into component parts in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during performance of the Work. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work.

2.06 Preconstruction Conference

A. Before any Work at the Site is started, a conference attended by Owner, Contractor, Engineer, and others as appropriate will be held to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work and to discuss the schedules referred to in Paragraph 2.05.A, procedures for handling Shop Drawings and other submittals, processing Applications for Payment, and maintaining required records.

2.07 Initial Acceptance of Schedules

A. At least 10 days before submission of the first Application for Payment a conference attended by Contractor, Engineer, and others as appropriate will be held to review for acceptability to Engineer as provided below the schedules submitted in accordance with Paragraph 2.05.A. Contractor shall have an additional 10 days to make corrections and adjustments and to complete and resubmit the schedules. No progress payment shall be made to Contractor until acceptable schedules are submitted to Engineer.

- 1. The Progress Schedule will be acceptable to Engineer if it provides an orderly progression of the Work to completion within the Contract Times. Such acceptance will not impose on Engineer responsibility for the Progress Schedule, for sequencing, scheduling, or progress of the Work nor interfere with or relieve Contractor from Contractor's full responsibility therefor.
- 2. Contractor's Schedule of Submittals will be acceptable to Engineer if it provides a workable arrangement for reviewing and processing the required submittals.
- 3. Contractor's Schedule of Values will be acceptable to Engineer as to form and substance if it provides a reasonable allocation of the Contract Price to component parts of the Work.

ARTICLE 3 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: INTENT, AMENDING, REUSE

3.01 Intent

- A. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is required by one is as binding as if required by all.
- B. It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete Project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents. 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 the intended result will be provided whether or not specifically called for at no additional cost to Owner.
- C. Clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents shall be issued by Engineer as provided in Article 9.

3.02 Reference Standards

- A. Standards, Specifications, Codes, Laws, and Regulations
- 1. Reference to standards, specifications, manuals, or codes of any technical society, organization, or association, or to Laws or Regulations, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the standard, specification, manual, code, or Laws or 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.
- 2. 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 Owner, Contractor, or Engineer, or any of their subcontractors, consultants, agents, or employees from those set forth in the Contract Documents. No such provision or instruction shall be effective to assign to Owner, or Engineer, or any of, their Related Entities, any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the provisions of the Contract Documents.

3.03 Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies

A. Reporting Discrepancies

- 1. Contractor's Review of Contract Documents Before Starting Work: Before undertaking each part of the Work, Contractor shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents and check and verify pertinent figures therein and all applicable field measurements. Contractor shall promptly report in writing to Engineer any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy which Contractor may discover and shall obtain a written interpretation or clarification from Engineer before proceeding with any Work affected thereby.
- 2. Contractor's Review of Contract Documents During Performance of Work: If, during the performance of the Work, Contractor 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 Work or of any standard, specification, manual or code, or of any instruction of any Supplier, Contractor shall promptly report it to Engineer in writing. Contractor shall not proceed with the Work affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 6.16.A) until an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents has been issued by one of the methods indicated in Paragraph 3.04.
- 3. Contractor shall not be liable to Owner or Engineer for failure to report any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the Contract Documents unless Contractor knew or reasonably should have known thereof.

B. Resolving Discrepancies

- 1. 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:
 - a. the provisions of any standard, specification, manual, code, or instruction (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference in the Contract Documents); or
 - b. the provisions of any Laws or Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work

(unless such an interpretation of the provisions of the Contract Documents would result in violation of such Law or Regulation).

3.04 Amending and Supplementing Contract Documents

- A. The Contract Documents may be amended to provide for additions, deletions, and revisions in the Work or to modify the terms and conditions thereof by either a Change Order or a Work Change Directive.
- B. The requirements of the Contract Documents may be supplemented, and minor variations and deviations in the Work 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 6.17.D.3); or
- 3. Engineer's written interpretation or clarification.

3.05 Reuse of Documents

- A. Contractor and any Subcontractor or Supplier or other individual or entity performing or furnishing all of the Work under a direct or indirect contract with Contractor, shall not:
- 1. have or 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 Engineer's consultants, including electronic media editions; or
- 2. reuse any of such Drawings, Specifications, other documents, or copies thereof on extensions of the Project or any other project without written consent of Owner and Engineer and specific written verification or adaption by Engineer.
- B. The prohibition of this Paragraph 3.05 will survive final payment, or termination of the Contract. Nothing herein shall preclude Contractor from retaining copies of the Contract Documents for record purposes.

3.06 Electronic Data

A. Copies of data furnished by Owner or Engineer to Contractor or Contractor to Owner or Engineer that may be relied upon are limited to the printed copies (also known as hard copies). Files in electronic media format of text, data, graphics, or other types are furnished only for the convenience of the receiving party. Any conclusion or information obtained or derived from such electronic files will be at the user's

sole risk. If there is a discrepancy between the electronic files and the hard copies, the hard copies govern.

- 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. Any errors detected within the 60-day acceptance period will be corrected by the transferring party..
- 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 4 - AVAILABILITY OF LANDS; SUBSURFACE AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS; HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS; REFERENCE POINTS

4.01 Availability of Lands

- A. Owner shall furnish the Site. Owner shall notify Contractor of any encumbrances or restrictions not of general application but specifically related to use of the Site with which Contractor must comply in performing the Work. Owner will obtain in a timely manner and pay for easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing facilities. If Contractor and Owner are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, as a result of any delay in Owner's furnishing the Site or a part thereof, Contractor may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.
- B. Upon reasonable written request, Owner shall furnish Contractor with a current statement of record legal title and legal description of the lands upon which the Work is to be performed and Owner's interest therein as necessary for giving notice of or filing a mechanic's or construction lien against such lands in accordance with applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. Contractor shall provide for all additional lands and access thereto that may be required for temporary construction facilities or storage of materials and equipment.

- A. Reports and Drawings: The Supplementary Conditions identify:
- 1. those reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the Site that Engineer has used in preparing the Contract Documents; and
- 2. those drawings of physical conditions in or relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at or contiguous to the Site (except Underground Facilities) that Engineer has used in preparing the Contract Documents.
- B. Limited Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized: Contractor may rely upon the general accuracy of the "technical data" contained in such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. Such "technical data" is identified in the Supplementary Conditions. Except for such reliance on such "technical data," Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their Related Entities with respect to:
- 1. the completeness of such reports and drawings for Contractor's purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or
- 2. other data, interpretations, opinions, and information contained in such reports or shown or indicated in such drawings; or
- 3. any Contractor interpretation of or conclusion drawn from any "technical data" or any such other data, interpretations, opinions, or information.

4.03 Differing Subsurface or Physical Conditions

- A. *Notice:* If Contractor believes that any subsurface or physical condition at or contiguous to the Site that is uncovered or revealed either:
- 1. is of such a nature as to establish that any "technical data" on which Contractor is entitled to rely as provided in Paragraph 4.02 is materially inaccurate; or
- 2. is of such a nature as to require a change in the Contract Documents; or
- 3. differs materially from that shown or indicated in the Contract Documents; or

4. is of an unusual nature, and differs materially from conditions ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the Contract Documents;

then Contractor shall, promptly after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing the subsurface or physical conditions or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 6.16.A), notify Owner and Engineer in writing about such condition. Contractor shall not further disturb such condition or perform any Work in connection therewith (except as aforesaid) until receipt of written order to do so.

B. Engineer's Review: After receipt of written notice as required by Paragraph 4.03.A, Engineer will promptly review the pertinent condition, determine the necessity of Owner's obtaining additional exploration or tests with respect thereto, and advise Owner in writing (with a copy to Contractor) of Engineer's findings and conclusions.

C. Possible Price and Times Adjustments

- 1. The Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, will be equitably adjusted to the extent that the existence of such differing subsurface or physical condition causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - a. such condition must meet any one or more of the categories described in Paragraph 4.03.A; and
 - b. with respect to Work that is paid for on a Unit Price Basis, any adjustment in Contract Price will be subject to the provisions of Paragraphs 9.07 and 11.03.
- 2. Contractor shall not be entitled to any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times if:
 - a. Contractor knew of the existence of such conditions at the time Contractor made a final commitment to Owner with respect to Contract Price and Contract Times by the submission of a Bid or becoming bound under a negotiated contract; or
 - b. the existence of such condition could reasonably have been discovered or revealed as a result of any examination, investigation, exploration, test, or study of the Site and contiguous areas required by the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents to be conducted by or for Contractor prior to Contractor's making such final commitment; or

- c. Contractor failed to give the written notice as required by Paragraph 4.03.A.
- 3. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, a Claim may be made therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05. However, Owner and Engineer, and any of their Related Entities shall not be liable to Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or 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) sustained by Contractor on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.

4.04 Underground Facilities

- A. Shown or Indicated: The information and data shown or indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to existing Underground Facilities at or contiguous to the Site is based on information and data furnished to Owner or Engineer by the owners of such Underground Facilities, including Owner, or by others. Unless it is otherwise expressly provided in the Supplementary Conditions:
- 1. Owner and Engineer shall not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of any such information or data; and
- 2. the cost of all of the following will be included in the Contract Price, and Contractor shall have full responsibility for:
 - a. reviewing and checking all such information and data,
 - b. locating all Underground Facilities shown or indicated in the Contract Documents,
 - c. coordination of the Work with the owners of such Underground Facilities, including Owner, during construction, and
 - d. the safety and protection of all such Underground Facilities and repairing any damage thereto resulting from the Work.

B. Not Shown or Indicated

1. If an Underground Facility is uncovered or revealed at or contiguous to the Site which was not shown or indicated, or not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall, promptly after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing conditions affected thereby or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 6.16.A), identify the owner of such Underground Facility and give written notice to that owner and to Owner and Engineer. Engineer will

promptly review the Underground Facility and determine the extent, if any, to which a change is required in the Contract Documents to reflect and document the consequences of the existence or location of the Underground Facility. During such time, Contractor shall be responsible for the safety and protection of such Underground Facility.

2. If Engineer concludes that a change in the Contract Documents is required, a Work Change Directive or a Change Order will be issued to reflect and document such consequences. An equitable adjustment shall be made in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that they are attributable to the existence or location of any Underground Facility that was not shown or indicated or not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy in the Contract Documents and that Contractor did not know of and could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of or to have anticipated. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any such adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, Owner or Contractor may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.

4.05 Reference Points

A. Owner shall provide engineering surveys to establish reference points for construction which in Engineer's judgment are necessary to enable Contractor to proceed with the Work. Contractor shall be responsible for laying out the Work, shall protect and preserve the established reference points and property monuments, and shall make no changes or relocations without the prior written approval of Owner. Contractor shall report to Engineer whenever any reference point or property monument is lost or destroyed or requires relocation because of necessary changes in grades or locations, and shall be responsible for the accurate replacement or relocation of such reference points or property monuments by professionally qualified personnel.

4.06 Hazardous Environmental Condition at Site

- A. Reports and Drawings: Reference is made to the Supplementary Conditions for the identification of those reports and drawings relating to a Hazardous Environmental Condition identified at the Site, if any, that have been utilized by the Engineer in the preparation of the Contract Documents.
- B. Limited Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized: Contractor may rely upon the general accuracy of the "technical data" contained in such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. Such "technical data" is identified in the Supplementary Conditions. Except for such reliance on such "technical data," Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their Related Entities with respect to:

- 1. the completeness of such reports and drawings for Contractor's purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or
- 2. other data, interpretations, opinions and information contained in such reports or shown or indicated in such drawings; or
- 3. any Contractor interpretation of or conclusion drawn from any "technical data" or any such other data, interpretations, opinions or information.
- C. Contractor shall not be responsible for any Hazardous Environmental Condition uncovered or revealed at the Site which was not shown or indicated in Drawings or Specifications or identified in the Contract Documents to be within the scope of the Work. Contractor shall be responsible for a Hazardous Environmental Condition created with any materials brought to the Site by Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or anyone else for whom Contractor is responsible.
- D. If Contractor encounters a Hazardous Environmental Condition or if Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible creates a Hazardous Environmental Condition, Contractor shall immediately: (i) secure or otherwise isolate such condition; (ii) stop all Work in connection with such condition and in any area affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 6.16.A); and (iii) notify Owner and Engineer (and promptly thereafter confirm such notice in writing). Owner shall promptly consult with Engineer concerning the necessity for Owner to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take corrective action, if any.
- E. Contractor shall not be required to resume Work in connection with such condition or in any affected area until after Owner has obtained any required permits related thereto and delivered to Contractor written notice: (i) specifying that such condition and any affected area is or has been rendered safe for the resumption of Work; or (ii) specifying any special conditions under which such Work may be resumed safely. If Owner and Contractor cannot agree as to entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, as a result of such Work stoppage or such special conditions under which Work is agreed to be resumed by Contractor, either party may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.
- F. If after receipt of such written notice Contractor does not agree to resume such Work based on a reasonable belief it is unsafe, or does not agree to resume such Work under such special conditions, then Owner may order the portion of the Work that is in the area affected by such condition to be deleted from the Work. If Owner and Contractor cannot agree as to

- entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times as a result of deleting such portion of the Work, then either party may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05. Owner may have such deleted portion of the Work performed by Owner's own forces or others in accordance with Article 7.
- G. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, consultants, 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 a Hazardous Environmental Condition, provided that such Hazardous Environmental Condition: (i) was not shown or indicated in the Drawings or Specifications or identified in the Contract Documents to be included within the scope of the Work, and (ii) was not created by Contractor or by anyone for whom Contractor is responsible. Nothing in this Paragraph 4.06. G shall obligate Owner to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence.
- H. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants, 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 a Hazardous Environmental Condition created by Contractor or by anyone for whom Contractor is responsible. Nothing in this Paragraph 4.06.H shall obligate Contractor to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence.
- I. The provisions of Paragraphs 4.02, 4.03, and 4.04 do not apply to a Hazardous Environmental Condition uncovered or revealed at the Site.

ARTICLE 5 - BONDS AND INSURANCE

5.01 *Performance, Payment, and Other Bonds*

A. Contractor shall furnish 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 Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents. These bonds shall remain in effect until one year after the date when final payment becomes due or until completion of the correction period specified

in Paragraph 13.07, whichever is later, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents. Contractor 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 must be accompanied by a certified copy of the agent's authority to act.
- C. If the surety on any bond furnished by Contractor 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 5.01.B, Contractor shall promptly notify Owner 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 5.01.B and 5.02.

5.02 Licensed Sureties and Insurers

A. All bonds and insurance required by the Contract Documents to be purchased and maintained by Owner or Contractor 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.

5.03 *Certificates of Insurance*

- A. Contractor shall deliver to Owner, with copies to each additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance requested by Owner or any other additional insured) which Contractor is required to purchase and maintain.
- B. Owner shall deliver to Contractor, with copies to each additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance requested by Contractor or any other additional insured) which Owner is required to purchase and maintain.

5.04 *Contractor's Liability Insurance*

A. Contractor shall purchase and maintain such liability and other insurance as is appropriate for the Work being performed and as will provide protection

from claims set forth below which may arise out of or result from Contractor's performance of the Work and Contractor's other obligations under the Contract Documents, whether it is to be performed by Contractor, any Subcontractor or Supplier, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, 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 Contractor's employees;
- 3. claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than Contractor's employees;
- 4. claims for damages insured by reasonably available personal injury liability coverage which are sustained:
 - a. by any person as a result of an offense directly or indirectly related to the employment of such person by Contractor, or
 - b. by any other person for any other reason;
- 5. claims for damages, other than to the Work itself, 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.
- B. The policies of insurance required by this Paragraph 5.04 shall:
- 1. with respect to insurance required by Paragraphs 5.04.A.3 through 5.04.A.6 inclusive, include as additional insured (subject to any customary exclusion regarding professional liability) Owner and Engineer, and any other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions, all of whom shall be listed as additional insureds, and include coverage for the respective employees, officers. directors, partners, agents, 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 in the Supplementary Conditions or required by Laws or Regulations, whichever is greater;

- 3. include completed operations insurance;
- 4. include contractual liability insurance covering Contractor's indemnity obligations under Paragraphs 6.11 and 6.20;
- 5. contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled, materially changed or renewal refused until at least 30 days prior written notice has been given to Owner and Contractor and to each other additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued (and the certificates of insurance furnished by the Contractor pursuant to Paragraph 5.03 will so provide);
- 6. remain in effect at least until final payment and at all times thereafter when Contractor may be correcting, removing, or replacing defective Work in accordance with Paragraph 13.07; and
- 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.
 - a. Contractor shall furnish Owner and each other additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued, evidence satisfactory to Owner and any such additional insured of continuation of such insurance at final payment and one year thereafter.

5.05 Owner's Liability Insurance

A. In addition to the insurance required to be provided by Contractor under Paragraph 5.04, Owner, at Owner's option, may purchase and maintain at Owner's expense Owner's own liability insurance as will protect Owner against claims which may arise from operations under the Contract Documents.

5.06 Property Insurance

- A. Unless otherwise provided in the Supplementary Conditions, Owner shall purchase and maintain property insurance upon the Work at the Site in the amount of the full replacement cost thereof (subject to such deductible amounts as may be provided in the Supplementary Conditions or required by Laws and Regulations). This insurance shall:
- 1. include the interests of Owner, Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and any other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them, each of whom is deemed to have an insurable interest and shall be listed as an insured or additional insured:

- 2. be written on a Builder's Risk "all-risk" or open peril or special causes of loss policy form that shall at least include insurance for physical loss or damage to the Work, temporary buildings, false work, and materials and equipment in transit, and shall insure against at least the following perils or causes of loss: fire, lightning, extended coverage, theft, vandalism and malicious earthquake, collapse, mischief, debris removal, demolition occasioned by enforcement of Laws and Regulations, water damage, (other than caused by flood) and such other perils or causes of loss as may be specifically required by the Supplementary Conditions;
- 3. include expenses incurred in the repair or replacement of any insured property (including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers and architects);
- 4. cover materials and equipment stored at the Site or at another location that was agreed to in writing by Owner prior to being incorporated in the Work, provided that such materials and equipment have been included in an Application for Payment recommended by Engineer;
- 5. allow for partial utilization of the Work by Owner;
 - 6. include testing and startup; and
- 7. be maintained in effect until final payment is made unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Owner, Contractor, and Engineer with 30 days written notice to each other additional insured to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued.
- B. Owner shall purchase and maintain such boiler and machinery insurance or additional property insurance as may be required by the Supplementary Conditions or Laws and Regulations which will include the interests of Owner, Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and any other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them, each of whom is deemed to have an insurable interest and shall be listed as an insured or additional insured.
- C. All the policies of insurance (and the certificates or other evidence thereof) required to be purchased and maintained in accordance with Paragraph 5.06 will contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled or materially changed or renewal refused until at least 30 days prior written notice has been given to Owner and Contractor and to each other additional insured to whom a certificate of insurance has been issued and will contain waiver provisions in accordance with Paragraph 5.07.
- D. Owner shall not be responsible for purchasing and maintaining any property insurance specified in this Paragraph 5.06 to protect the interests of Contractor, Subcontractors, or others in the Work to the extent of any

deductible amounts that are identified in the Supplementary Conditions. The risk of loss within such identified deductible amount will be borne by Contractor, Subcontractors, or others suffering any such loss, and if any of them wishes property insurance coverage within the limits of such amounts, each may purchase and maintain it at the purchaser's own expense.

E. If Contractor requests in writing that other special insurance be included in the property insurance policies provided under Paragraph 5.06, Owner shall, if possible, include such insurance, and the cost thereof will be charged to Contractor by appropriate Change Order. Prior to commencement of the Work at the Site, Owner shall in writing advise Contractor whether or not such other insurance has been procured by Owner.

5.07 Waiver of Rights

A. Owner and Contractor intend that all policies purchased in accordance with Paragraph 5.06 will protect Owner, Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and all other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions to be listed as insureds or additional insureds (and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them) in such policies and will provide primary coverage for all losses and damages caused by the perils or causes of loss covered thereby. All such policies shall contain provisions to the effect that in the event of payment of any loss or damage the insurers will have no rights of recovery against any of the insureds or additional insureds thereunder. Owner and Contractor waive all rights against each other and their respective officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants subcontractors of each and any of them for all losses and damages caused by, arising out of or resulting from any of the perils or causes of loss covered by such policies and any other property insurance applicable to the Work; and, in addition, waive all such rights against Subcontractors, and Engineer, and all other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions to be listed as insured or additional insured (and the officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants subcontractors of each and any of them) under such policies for losses and damages so caused. None of the above waivers shall extend to the rights that any party making such waiver may have to the proceeds of insurance held by Owner as trustee or otherwise payable under any policy so issued.

B. Owner waives all rights against Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them for:

- 1. loss due to business interruption, loss of use, or other consequential loss extending beyond direct physical loss or damage to Owner's property or the Work caused by, arising out of, or resulting from fire or other perils whether or not insured by Owner; and
- 2. loss or damage to the completed Project or part thereof caused by, arising out of, or resulting from fire or other insured peril or cause of loss covered by any property insurance maintained on the completed Project or part thereof by Owner during partial utilization pursuant to Paragraph 14.05, after Substantial Completion pursuant to Paragraph 14.04, or after final payment pursuant to Paragraph 14.07.
- C. Any insurance policy maintained by Owner covering any loss, damage or consequential loss referred to in Paragraph 5.07.B shall contain provisions to the effect that in the event of payment of any such loss, damage, or consequential loss, the insurers will have no rights of recovery against Contractor, Subcontractors, or Engineer, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them.

5.08 Receipt and Application of Insurance Proceeds

- A. Any insured loss under the policies of insurance required by Paragraph 5.06 will be adjusted with Owner and made payable to Owner as fiduciary for the insureds, as their interests may appear, subject to the requirements of any applicable mortgage clause and of Paragraph 5.08.B. Owner shall deposit in a separate account any money so received and shall distribute it in accordance with such agreement as the parties in interest may reach. If no other special agreement is reached, the damaged Work shall be repaired or replaced, the moneys so received applied on account thereof, and the Work and the cost thereof covered by an appropriate Change Order .
- B. Owner as fiduciary shall have power to adjust and settle any loss with the insurers unless one of the parties in interest shall object in writing within 15 days after the occurrence of loss to Owner's exercise of this power. If such objection be made, Owner as fiduciary shall make settlement with the insurers in accordance with such agreement as the parties in interest may reach. If no such agreement among the parties in interest is reached, Owner as fiduciary shall adjust and settle the loss with the insurers and, if required in writing by any party in interest, Owner as fiduciary shall give bond for the proper performance of such duties.
- 5.09 Acceptance of Bonds and Insurance; Option to Replace
- A. If either Owner or Contractor has any objection to the coverage afforded by or other provisions of the bonds or insurance required to be purchased and maintained by the other party in accordance with Article 5 on the basis of non-conformance with the Contract

Documents, the objecting party shall so notify the other party in writing within 10 days after receipt of the certificates (or other evidence requested) required by Paragraph 2.01.B. Owner and Contractor shall each provide to the other such additional information in respect of insurance provided as the other may reasonably request. If either party does not purchase or maintain all of the bonds and insurance required of such party by the Contract Documents, such party shall notify the other party in writing of such failure to purchase prior to the start of the Work, or of such failure to maintain prior to any change in the required coverage. Without prejudice to any other right or remedy, the other party may elect to obtain equivalent bonds or insurance to protect such other party's interests at the expense of the party who was required to provide such coverage, and a Change Order shall be issued to adjust the Contract Price accordingly.

5.10 Partial Utilization, Acknowledgment of Property Insurer

A. If Owner finds it necessary to occupy or use a portion or portions of the Work prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work as provided in Paragraph 14.05, no such use or occupancy shall commence before the insurers providing the property insurance pursuant to Paragraph 5.06 have acknowledged notice thereof and in writing effected any changes in coverage necessitated thereby. The insurers providing the property insurance shall consent by endorsement on the policy or policies, but the property insurance shall not be canceled or permitted to lapse on account of any such partial use or occupancy.

ARTICLE 6 - CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

6.01 Supervision and Superintendence

A. Contractor shall supervise, inspect, and direct the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction. Contractor shall not be responsible for the negligence of Owner or Engineer in the design or specification of a specific means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure of construction which is shown or indicated in and expressly required by the Contract Documents.

B. At all times during the progress of the Work, Contractor shall assign a competent resident superintendent who shall not be replaced without written notice to Owner and Engineer except under extraordinary circumstances. The superintendent will be Contractor's representative at the Site and shall have authority to act on behalf of Contractor. All communications given to or

received from the superintendent shall be binding on Contractor.

6.02 Labor; Working Hours

- A. Contractor shall provide competent, suitably qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the Site.
- B. Except as otherwise required for the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, and except as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the Site shall be performed during regular working hours. Contractor will not permit the performance of Work on a Saturday, Sunday, or any legal holiday without Owner's written consent (which will not be unreasonably withheld) given after prior written notice to Engineer.

6.03 Services, Materials, and Equipment

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

6.04 Progress Schedule

A. Contractor shall adhere to the Progress Schedule established in accordance with Paragraph 2.07 as it may be adjusted from time to time as provided below.

- 1. Contractor shall submit to Engineer for acceptance (to the extent indicated in Paragraph 2.07) 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.
- 2. Proposed adjustments in the Progress Schedule that will change the Contract Times shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Article 12. Adjustments in Contract Times may only be made by a Change Order.

6.05 Substitutes and "Or-Equals"

- A. Whenever an item of material or equipment is specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular Supplier, the specification or description 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 or no substitution is permitted, other items of material or equipment or material or equipment of other Suppliers may be submitted to Engineer for review under the circumstances described below.
- 1. "Or-Equal" Items: If in Engineer's sole discretion an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor 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, in which case review and approval of the proposed item may, in Engineer's sole discretion, be accomplished without compliance with some or all of the requirements for approval of proposed substitute items. For the purposes of this Paragraph 6.05.A.1, a proposed item of material or equipment will be considered functionally equal to an item so named if:
 - a. in the exercise of reasonable judgment Engineer determines that:
 - 1) it is at least equal in materials of construction, quality, durability, appearance, strength, and design characteristics;
 - 2) it will reliably perform at least equally well the function and achieve the results imposed by the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole,
 - 3) it has a proven record of performance and availability of responsive service; and
 - b. Contractor certifies that, if approved and incorporated into the Work:
 - 1) there will be no increase in cost to the Owner or increase in Contract Times, and

2) it will conform substantially to the detailed requirements of the item named in the Contract Documents.

2. Substitute Items

- a. If in Engineer's sole discretion an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor does not qualify as an "or-equal" item under Paragraph 6.05.A.1, it will be considered a proposed substitute item.
- b. Contractor shall submit sufficient information as provided below to allow Engineer to determine that the item of material or equipment proposed is essentially equivalent to that named and an acceptable substitute therefor. Requests for review of proposed substitute items of material or equipment will not be accepted by Engineer from anyone other than Contractor.
- c. The requirements for review by Engineer will be as set forth in Paragraph 6.05.A.2.d, as supplemented in the General Requirements and as Engineer may decide is appropriate under the circumstances.
- d. Contractor shall make written application to Engineer for review of a proposed substitute item of material or equipment that Contractor seeks to furnish or use. The application:
- 1) shall certify that the proposed substitute item will:
 - a) perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design,
 - b) be similar in substance to that specified, and
 - c) be suited to the same use as that specified;
 - 2) will state:
 - a) the extent, if any, to which the use of the proposed substitute item will prejudice Contractor's achievement of Substantial Completion on time;
 - b) whether or not use of the proposed substitute item in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner for other work on the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute item; and

- c) whether or not incorporation or use of the proposed substitute item in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty;
- 3) will identify:
- a) all variations of the proposed substitute item from that specified, and
- b) available engineering, sales, maintenance, repair, and replacement services:
- 4) and shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs or credits that will result directly or indirectly from use of such substitute item, including costs of redesign and claims of other contractors affected by any resulting change,
- B. Substitute Construction Methods or Procedures: If a specific means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure of construction is expressly required by the Contract Documents, Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure of construction approved by Engineer. Contractor shall submit sufficient information to allow Engineer, in Engineer's sole discretion, to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that expressly called for by the Contract Documents. The requirements for review by Engineer will be similar to those provided in Paragraph 6.05.A.2.
- C. Engineer's Evaluation: Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposal or submittal made pursuant to Paragraphs 6.05.A and 6.05.B. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed substitute item. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No "or equal" or substitute will be ordered, installed or utilized until Engineer's review is complete, which will be evidenced by either a Change Order for a substitute or an approved Shop Drawing for an "or equal." Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.
- D. Special Guarantee: Owner may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute.
- E. Engineer's Cost Reimbursement: Engineer will record Engineer's costs in evaluating a substitute proposed or submitted by Contractor pursuant to Paragraphs 6.05.A.2 and 6.05.B Whether or not Engineer approves a substitute item so proposed or submitted by Contractor, Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the charges of Engineer for evaluating each such proposed substitute. Contractor shall also reimburse Owner for the charges of Engineer for making changes in the Contract

- Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner) resulting from the acceptance of each proposed substitute.
- F. *Contractor's Expense*: Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed substitute or "or-equal" at Contractor's expense.
- 6.06 Concerning Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Others
- A. Contractor shall not employ any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity (including those acceptable to Owner as indicated in Paragraph 6.06.B), whether initially or as a replacement, against whom Owner may have reasonable objection. Contractor shall not be required to employ any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity to furnish or perform any of the Work against whom Contractor has reasonable objection.
- B. If the Supplementary Conditions require the identity of certain Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities to be submitted to Owner in advance for acceptance by Owner by a specified date prior to the Effective Date of the Agreement, and if Contractor has submitted a list thereof in accordance with the Supplementary Conditions, Owner's acceptance (either in writing or by failing to make written objection thereto by the date indicated for acceptance or objection in the Bidding Documents or the Contract Documents) of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity so identified may be revoked on the basis of reasonable objection after due investigation. Contractor shall submit an acceptable replacement for the rejected Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity, and the Contract Price will be adjusted by the difference in the cost occasioned by such replacement, and an appropriate Change Order will be issued . No acceptance by Owner of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity, whether initially or as a replacement, shall constitute a waiver of any right of Owner or Engineer to reject defective Work.
- C. Contractor shall be fully responsible to Owner and Engineer for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work just as Contractor is responsible for Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract Documents:
- 1. shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity any contractual relationship between Owner or Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other individual or entity, nor
- 2. shall anything in the Contract Documents create any obligation on the part of Owner or Engineer to pay or to see to the payment of any moneys due any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual

or entity except as may otherwise be required by Laws and Regulations.

- D. Contractor shall be solely responsible for scheduling and coordinating the Work of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work under a direct or indirect contract with Contractor.
- E. Contractor shall require all Subcontractors, Suppliers, and such other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work to communicate with Engineer through Contractor.
- F. The divisions and sections of the Specifications and the identifications of any Drawings shall not control Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or Suppliers or delineating the Work to be performed by any specific trade.
- G. All Work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor or Supplier will be pursuant to an approagreement between Contractor and the Subcontractor or Supplier which specifically binds the Subcontractor or Supplier to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of Owner and Engineer. Whenever any such agreement is with a Subcontractor or Supplier who is listed as an additional insured on the property insurance provided in Paragraph 5.06, the agreement between the Contractor and the Subcontractor or Supplier will contain provisions whereby the Subcontractor or Supplier waives all rights against Owner, Contractor, and Engineer,, and all other individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions to be listed as insureds or additional insureds (and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them) for all losses and damages caused by, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from any of the perils or causes of loss covered by such policies and any other property insurance applicable to the Work. If the insurers on any such policies require separate waiver forms to be signed by any Subcontractor or Supplier, Contractor will obtain the same.

6.07 Patent Fees and Royalties

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

B. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants partners, 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 any infringement of patent rights or copyrights incident to the use in the performance of the Work or resulting from the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product, or device not specified in the Contract Documents.

6.08 Permits

A. Unless otherwise provided in the Supplementary Conditions, Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses. Owner shall assist Contractor, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses. Contractor shall pay all governmental charges and inspection fees necessary for the prosecution of the Work which are applicable at the time of opening of Bids, or, if there are no Bids, on the Effective Date of the Agreement. Owner shall pay all charges of utility owners for connections for providing permanent service to the Work.

6.09 Laws and Regulations

- A. Contractor shall give all notices required by and shall comply with all Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Except where otherwise expressly required by applicable Laws and Regulations, neither Owner nor Engineer shall be responsible for monitoring Contractor's compliance with any Laws or Regulations.
- B. If Contractor performs any Work knowing or having reason to know that it is contrary to Laws or Regulations, Contractor 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 Work. However, it shall not be Contractor's primary responsibility to make certain that the Specifications and Drawings are in accordance with Laws and Regulations, but this shall not relieve Contractor of Contractor'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 of the Work shall be the subject of an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times. If Owner and Contractor 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 10.05.

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

6.11 Use of Site and Other Areas

A. Limitation on Use of Site and Other Areas

- 1. Contractor shall confine construction equipment, the storage of materials and equipment, and the operations of workers to the Site and other areas permitted by Laws and Regulations, and shall not unreasonably encumber the Site and other areas with construction equipment or other materials or equipment. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for any damage to any such land or area, or to the owner or occupant thereof, or of any adjacent land or areas resulting from the performance of the Work.
- 2. Should any claim be made by any such owner or occupant because of the performance of the Work, Contractor shall promptly settle with such other party by negotiation or otherwise resolve the claim by arbitration or other dispute resolution proceeding or at law.
- 3. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants partners. 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 any claim or action, legal or equitable, brought by any such owner or occupant against Owner, Engineer, or any other party indemnified hereunder to the extent caused by or based upon Contractor's performance of the Work.
- B. Removal of Debris During Performance of the Work: During the progress of the Work Contractor shall keep the Site and other areas free from accumulations of waste materials, rubbish, and other debris. Removal and disposal of such waste materials, rubbish, and other debris shall conform to applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. Cleaning: Prior to Substantial Completion of the Work Contractor shall clean the Site and the Work and make it ready for utilization by Owner. At the completion of the Work Contractor shall remove from the Site all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery, and surplus materials and shall restore to original condition all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

D. Loading Structures: Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent property to stresses or pressures that will endanger it.

6.12 Record Documents

A. Contractor shall maintain in a safe place at the Site one record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, and written interpretations and clarifications in good order and annotated to show changes made during construction. These record documents together with all approved Samples and a counterpart of all approved Shop Drawings will be available to Engineer for reference. Upon completion of the Work, these record documents, Samples, and Shop Drawings will be delivered to Engineer for Owner.

6.13 Safety and Protection

- A. Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:
- 1. all persons on the Site or who may be affected by the Work;
- 2. all the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the Site; and
- 3. other property at the Site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, utilities, and Underground Facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.
- B. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Laws and Regulations relating to the safety of persons or property, or to the protection of persons or property from damage, injury, or loss; and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall notify owners of adjacent property and of Underground Facilities and other utility owners when prosecution of the Work may affect them, and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation, and replacement of their property.
- C. All damage, injury, or loss to any property referred to in Paragraph 6.13.A.2 or 6.13.A.3 caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by Contractor, any Subcontractor, Supplier, or any other individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, shall be remedied by Contractor (except damage or loss attributable to the fault of Draw-

ings or Specifications or to the acts or omissions of Owner or Engineer or , or anyone employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, and not attributable, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, to the fault or negligence of Contractor or any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them).

D. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and for protection of the Work shall continue until such time as all the Work is completed and Engineer has issued a notice to Owner and Contractor in accordance with Paragraph 14.07.B that the Work is acceptable (except as otherwise expressly provided in connection with Substantial Completion).

6.14 Safety Representative

A. Contractor shall designate a qualified and experienced safety representative at the Site whose duties and responsibilities shall be the prevention of accidents and the maintaining and supervising of safety precautions and programs.

6.15 *Hazard Communication Programs*

A. Contractor shall be responsible for coordinating any exchange of material safety data sheets or other hazard communication information required to be made available to or exchanged between or among employers at the Site in accordance with Laws or Regulations.

6.16 *Emergencies*

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

6.17 Shop Drawings and Samples

A. Contractor shall submit Shop Drawings and Samples to Engineer for review and approval in accordance with the acceptable Schedule of Submittals (as required by Paragraph 2.07). Each submittal will be identified as Engineer may require.

1. Shop Drawings

a. Submit number of copies specified in the General Requirements.

- b. 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 Contractor proposes to provide and to enable Engineer to review the information for the limited purposes required by Paragraph 6.17.D.
- 2. *Samples:* Contractor shall also submit Samples to Engineer for review and approval in accordance with the acceptable schedule of Shop Drawings and Sample submittals.
 - a. Submit number of Samples specified in the Specifications.
 - b. Clearly identify each Sample as to material, Supplier, pertinent data such as catalog numbers, the use for which intended and other data as Engineer may require to enable Engineer to review the submittal for the limited purposes required by Paragraph 6.17.D.
- B. Where a Shop Drawing or Sample is required by the Contract Documents or the Schedule of Submittals , any related Work performed prior to Engineer's review and approval of the pertinent submittal will be at the sole expense and responsibility of Contractor.

C. Submittal Procedures

- 1. Before submitting each Shop Drawing or Sample, Contractor shall have determined and verified:
 - a. all field measurements, quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information with respect thereto;
 - b. the suitability of all materials with respect to intended use, fabrication, shipping, handling, storage, assembly, and installation pertaining to the performance of the Work;
 - c. all information relative to Contractor's responsibilities for means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; and
 - d. shall also have reviewed and coordinated each Shop Drawing or Sample with other Shop Drawings and Samples and with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents.
- 2. Each submittal shall bear a stamp or specific written certification that Contractor has satisfied Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents

with respect to Contractor's review and approval of that submittal.

3. With each submittal, Contractor shall give 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 a written communication separate from the Shop Drawing's or Sample Submittal; and, in addition, by a specific notation made on each Shop Drawing or Sample submitted to Engineer for review and approval of each such variation.

D. Engineer's Review

- 1. Engineer will provide timely review of Shop Drawings and Samples in accordance with the Schedule of Submittals acceptable to Engineer. Engineer's review and approval will be only to determine if the items covered by the submittals will, after installation or incorporation in the Work, conform to the information given in the Contract Documents and be compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents.
- 2. Engineer's review and approval will not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction (except where a particular means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure of construction is specifically and expressly called for by the Contract Documents) or to safety precautions or programs incident thereto. The review and approval of a separate item as such will not indicate approval of the assembly in which the item functions.
- 3. Engineer's review and approval shall not relieve Contractor from responsibility for any variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents unless Contractor has complied with the requirements of Paragraph 6.17.C.3 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 Contractor from responsibility for complying with the requirements of Paragraph 6.17.C.1.

E. Resubmittal Procedures

1. Contractor 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. Contractor shall direct specific attention in writing to revisions other than the corrections called for by Engineer on previous submittals.

6.18 *Continuing the Work*

A. Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the Progress Schedule during all disputes or

disagreements with Owner. No Work shall be delayed or postponed pending resolution of any disputes or disagreements, except as permitted by Paragraph 15.04 or as Owner and Contractor may otherwise agree in writing.

6.19 *Contractor's General Warranty and Guarantee*

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees to Owner that all Work will be in accordance with the Contract Documents and will not be defective. Engineer and its Related Entities shall be entitled to rely on representation of Contractor's warranty and guarantee.
- B. Contractor's warranty and guarantee hereunder excludes defects or damage caused by:
- 1. abuse, modification, or improper maintenance or operation by persons other than Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or any other individual or entity for whom Contractor is responsible; or
 - 2. normal wear and tear under normal usage.
- C. Contractor's obligation to perform and complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents shall be absolute. None of the following will constitute an acceptance of Work that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents or a release of Contractor's obligation to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents:
 - 1. observations by Engineer;
- 2. recommendation by Engineer or payment by Owner of any progress or final payment;
- 3. the issuance of a certificate of Substantial Completion by Engineer or any payment related thereto by Owner;
- 4. use or occupancy of the Work or any part thereof by Owner;
- 5. any review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal or the issuance of a notice of acceptability by Engineer;
 - 6. any inspection, test, or approval by others; or
 - 7. any correction of defective Work by Owner.

6.20 *Indemnification*

A. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants 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 the Work, provided that any such claim, cost, loss, or damage is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable .

- B. In any and all claims against Owner or Engineer or any of their respective consultants, agents, officers, directors, partners, or employees by any employee (or the survivor or personal representative of such employee) of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Paragraph 6.20.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 Contractor or any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.
- C. The indemnification obligations of Contractor under Paragraph 6.20.A shall not extend to the liability of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors 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.

6.21 Delegation of Professional Design Services

- A. Contractor will not be required to provide professional design services unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless such services are required to carry out Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures. Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable law.
- B. If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials or equipment are specifically required of Contractor by the Contract Documents, Owner and Engineer will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Contractor shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by a properly licensed 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 Work designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to Engineer.

- C. Owner 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 Owner and Engineer have specified to Contractor all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy.
- D. Pursuant to this Paragraph 6.21, 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 6.17.D.1.
- E. Contractor shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria required by the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 7 - OTHER WORK AT THE SITE

7.01 Related Work at Site

- A. Owner may perform other work related to the Project at the Site with Owner's employees, or via other direct contracts therefor, or have other work performed by utility owners. If such other work is not noted in the Contract Documents, then:
- 1. written notice thereof will be given to Contractor prior to starting any such other work; and
- 2. if Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times that should be allowed as a result of such other work, a Claim may be made therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.
- B. Contractor shall afford each other contractor who is a party to such a direct contract, each utility owner and Owner, if Owner is performing other work with Owner's employees, proper and safe access to the Site, a reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of such other work, and shall properly coordinate the Work with theirs. Contractor shall do all cutting, fitting, and patching of the Work that may be required to properly connect or otherwise make its several parts come together and

properly integrate with such other work. Contractor shall not endanger any work of others by cutting, excavating, or otherwise altering their work and will only cut or alter their work with the written consent of Engineer and the others whose work will be affected. The duties and responsibilities of Contractor under this Paragraph are for the benefit of such utility owners and other contractors to the extent that there are comparable provisions for the benefit of Contractor in said direct contracts between Owner and such utility owners and other contractors.

C. If the proper execution or results of any part of Contractor's Work depends upon work performed by others under this Article 7, Contractor shall inspect such other work and promptly report to Engineer in writing any delays, defects, or deficiencies in such other work that render it unavailable or unsuitable for the proper execution and results of Contractor's Work. Contractor's failure to so report will constitute an acceptance of such other work as fit and proper for integration with Contractor's Work except for latent defects and deficiencies in such other work.

7.02 Coordination

- A. If Owner intends to contract with others for the performance of other work on the Project at the Site, the following will be set forth in Supplementary Conditions:
- 1. the individual or entity who will have authority and responsibility for coordination of the activities among the various contractors will be identified;
- 2. the specific matters to be covered by such authority and responsibility will be itemized; and
- 3. the extent of such authority and responsibilities will be provided.
- B. Unless otherwise provided in the Supplementary Conditions, Owner shall have sole authority and responsibility for such coordination.

7.03 *Legal Relationships*

- A. Paragraphs 7.01.A and 7.02 are not applicable for utilities not under the control of Owner.
- B. Each other direct contract of Owner under Paragraph 7.01.A shall provide that the other contractor is liable to Owner and Contractor for the reasonable direct delay and disruption costs incurred by Contractor as a result of the other contractor's actions or inactions.
- C. Contractor shall be liable to Owner and any other contractor for the reasonable direct delay and disruption costs incurred by such other contractor as a result of Contractor's action or inactions.

8.01 *Communications to Contractor*

A. Except as otherwise provided in these General Conditions, Owner shall issue all communications to Contractor through Engineer.

8.02 Replacement of Engineer

A. In case of termination of the employment of Engineer, Owner shall appoint an engineer to whom Contractor makes no reasonable objection, whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Engineer.

8.03 Furnish Data

A. Owner shall promptly furnish the data required of Owner under the Contract Documents.

8.04 Pay When Due

A. Owner shall make payments to Contractor when they are due as provided in Paragraphs 14.02.C and 14.07.C.

8.05 Lands and Easements; Reports and Tests

A. Owner's duties in respect of providing lands and easements and providing engineering surveys to establish reference points are set forth in Paragraphs 4.01 and 4.05. Paragraph 4.02 refers to Owner's identifying and making available to Contractor copies of reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions and drawings of physical conditions in or relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at or contiguous to the Site that have been utilized by Engineer in preparing the Contract Documents.

8.06 Insurance

A. Owner's responsibilities, if any, in respect to purchasing and maintaining liability and property insurance are set forth in Article 5.

8.07 *Change Orders*

A. Owner is obligated to execute Change Orders as indicated in Paragraph 10.03.

8.08 Inspections, Tests, and Approvals

A. Owner's responsibility in respect to certain inspections, tests, and approvals is set forth in Paragraph 13.03.B.

A. The Owner shall not supervise, direct, or have control or authority over, nor be responsible for, Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Owner will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

8.10 Undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition

A. Owner's responsibility in respect to an undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition is set forth in Paragraph 4.06.

8.11 Evidence of Financial Arrangements

A. If and to the extent Owner has agreed to furnish Contractor reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to satisfy Owner's obligations under the Contract Documents, Owner's responsibility in respect thereof will be as set forth in the Supplementary Conditions.

ARTICLE 9 - ENGINEER'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

9.01 Owner's Representative

A. Engineer will be Owner's representative during the construction period. The duties and responsibilities and the limitations of authority of Engineer as Owner's representative during construction are set forth in the Contract Documents and will not be changed without written consent of Owner and Engineer.

9.02 Visits to Site

A. Engineer will make visits to the Site at intervals appropriate to the various stages of construction as Engineer deems necessary in order to observe as an experienced and qualified design professional the progress that has been made and the quality of the various aspects of Contractor's executed Work. Based on information obtained during such visits and observations, Engineer, for the benefit of Owner, will determine, in general, if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents. Engineer will not be required to make exhaustive or continuous inspections on the Site to check the quality or quantity of the Work. Engineer's efforts will be directed toward providing for Owner a greater degree of confidence that the completed Work will conform generally to the Contract Documents. On the basis of such visits and observations, Engineer will keep Owner informed of the progress of the Work and will endeavor to guard Owner against defective Work.

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

9.03 Project Representative

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

9.04 Authorized Variations in Work

A. Engineer may authorize minor variations in the Work from the requirements of the Contract Documents which do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times and are compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. These may be accomplished by a Field Order and will be binding on Owner and also on Contractor, who shall perform the Work involved promptly. If Owner or Contractor believes that a Field Order justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, and the parties are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any such adjustment, a Claim may be made therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.

9.05 Rejecting Defective Work

A. Engineer will have authority to reject Work which Engineer believes to be defective, or that Engineer believes will not produce a completed Project that conforms to the Contract Documents or that will prejudice the integrity of the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. Engineer will also have authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work as provided in Paragraph 13.04, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.

- A. In connection with Engineer's authority, and limitations thereof, as to Shop Drawings and Samples, see Paragraph 6.17.
- B. In connection with Engineer's authority, and limitations thereof, as to design calculations and design drawings submitted in response to a delegation of professional design services, if any, see Paragraph 6.21.
- C. In connection with Engineer's authority as to Change Orders, see Articles 10, 11, and 12.
- D. In connection with Engineer's authority as to Applications for Payment, see Article 14.

9.07 Determinations for Unit Price Work

A. Engineer will determine the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor. Engineer will review with Contractor the Engineer's preliminary determinations on such matters before rendering a written decision thereon (by recommendation of an Application for Payment or otherwise). Engineer's written decision thereon will be final and binding (except as modified by Engineer to reflect changed factual conditions or more accurate data) upon Owner and Contractor, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 10.05.

9.08 Decisions on Requirements of Contract Documents and Acceptability of Work

- A. Engineer will be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents and judge of the acceptability of the Work thereunder. All matters in question and other matters between Owner and Contractor arising prior to the date final payment is due relating to the acceptability of the Work, and the interpretation of the requirements of the Contract Documents pertaining to the performance of the Work, will be referred initially to Engineer in writing within 30 days of the event giving rise to the question
- B. Engineer will, with reasonable promptness, render a written decision on the issue referred. If Owner or Contractor believe that any such decision entitles them to an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times or both, a Claim may be made under Paragraph 10.05. The date of Engineer's decision shall be the date of the event giving rise to the issues referenced for the purposes of Paragraph 10.05.B.
- C. Engineer's written decision on the issue referred will be final and binding on Owner and Contractor, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 10.05.
- D. When functioning as interpreter and judge under this Paragraph 9.08, Engineer will not show

partiality to Owner or Contractor and will not be liable in connection with any interpretation or decision rendered in good faith in such capacity.

9.09 Limitations on Engineer's Authority and Responsibilities

- A. Neither Engineer's authority or responsibility under this Article 9 or under any other provision of the Contract Documents nor any decision made by Engineer in good faith either to exercise or not exercise such authority or responsibility or the undertaking, exercise, or performance of any authority or responsibility by Engineer shall create, impose, or give rise to any duty in contract, tort, or otherwise owed by Engineer to Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, any other individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee or agent of any of them.
- B. Engineer will not supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Engineer will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- C. Engineer will not be responsible for the acts or omissions of Contractor or of any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or of any other individual or entity performing any of the Work.
- D. Engineer's review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation and all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates of inspection, tests and approvals, and other documentation required to be delivered by Paragraph 14.07.A will only be to determine generally that their content complies with the requirements of, and in the case of certificates of inspections, tests, and approvals that the results certified indicate compliance with the Contract Documents.
- E. The limitations upon authority and responsibility set forth in this Paragraph 9.09 shall also apply to, the Resident Project Representative, if any, and assistants, if any.

ARTICLE 10 - CHANGES IN THE WORK; CLAIMS

10.01 Authorized Changes in the Work

A. Without invalidating the Contract and without notice to any surety, Owner may, at any time or from time to time, order additions, deletions, or revisions in the Work by a Change Order, or a Work Change Directive. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall

promptly proceed with the Work involved which will be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents (except as otherwise specifically provided).

B. If Owner and Contractor 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 10.05.

10.02 Unauthorized Changes in the Work

A.Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times with respect to any work performed that is not required by the Contract Documents as amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in Paragraph 3.04, except in the case of an emergency as provided in Paragraph 6.16 or in the case of uncovering Work as provided in Paragraph 13.04.B.

10.03 Execution of Change Orders

- A. Owner and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders recommended by Engineer covering:
- 1. changes in the Work which are: (i) ordered by Owner pursuant to Paragraph 10.01.A, (ii) required because of acceptance of defective Work under Paragraph 13.08.A or Owner's correction of defective Work under Paragraph 13.09, or (iii) agreed to by the parties;
- 2. changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times which are agreed to by the parties, including any undisputed sum or amount of time for Work actually performed in accordance with a Work Change Directive; and
- 3. changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times which embody the substance of any written decision rendered by Engineer pursuant to Paragraph 10.05; provided that, in lieu of executing any such Change Order, an appeal may be taken from any such decision in accordance with the provisions of the Contract Documents and applicable Laws and Regulations, but during any such appeal, Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the Progress Schedule as provided in Paragraph 6.18.A.

10.04 *Notification to Surety*

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

10.05 *Claims*

- A. Engineer's Decision Required: All Claims, except those waived pursuant to Paragraph 14.09, shall be referred to the Engineer for decision. A decision by Engineer shall be required as a condition precedent to any exercise by Owner or Contractor of any rights or remedies either may otherwise have under the Contract Documents or by Laws and Regulations in respect of such Claims.
- B. Notice: Written notice stating the general nature of each Claim, shall be delivered by the claimant to Engineer and the other party to the Contract promptly (but in no event later than 30 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto. The responsibility to substantiate a Claim shall rest with the party making the Claim. Notice of the amount or extent of the Claim, with supporting data shall be delivered to the Engineer and the other party to the Contract within 60 days after the start of such event (unless Engineer allows additional time for claimant to submit additional or more accurate data in support of such Claim). A Claim for an adjustment in Contract Price shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 12.01.B. A Claim for an adjustment in Contract Time shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 12.02.B. Each Claim shall be accompanied by claimant's written statement that the adjustment claimed is the entire adjustment to which the claimant believes it is entitled as a result of said event. The opposing party shall submit any response to Engineer and the claimant within 30 days after receipt of the claimant's last submittal (unless Engineer allows additional time).
- C. Engineer's Action: Engineer will review each Claim and, within 30 days after receipt of the last submittal of the claimant or the last submittal of the opposing party, if any, take one of the following actions in writing:
 - 1. deny the Claim in whole or in part,
 - 2. approve the Claim, or
- 3. notify the parties that the Engineer is unable to resolve the Claim if, in the Engineer's sole discretion, it would be inappropriate for the Engineer to do so. For purposes of further resolution of the Claim, such notice shall be deemed a denial.
- D. In the event that Engineer does not take action on a Claim within said 30 days, the Claim shall be deemed denied.
- E. Engineer's written action under Paragraph 10.05.C or denial pursuant to Paragraphs 10.05.C.3 or 10.05.D will be final and binding upon Owner and Contractor, unless Owner or Contractor invoke the dispute resolution procedure set forth in Article 16 within 30 days of such action or denial.

F. No Claim for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times will be valid if not submitted in accordance with this Paragraph 10.05.

ARTICLE 11 - COST OF THE WORK; ALLOWANCES; UNIT PRICE WORK

11.01 *Cost of the Work*

- A. Costs Included: The term Cost of the Work means the sum of all costs, except those excluded in Paragraph 11.01.B, necessarily incurred and paid by Contractor in the proper performance of the Work. When the value of any Work covered by a Change Order or when a Claim for an adjustment in Contract Price is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, the costs to be reimbursed to Contractor will be only those additional or incremental costs required because of the change in the Work or because of the event giving rise to the Claim. Except as otherwise may be agreed to in writing by Owner, such costs shall be in amounts no higher than those prevailing in the locality of the Project, shall include only the following items, and shall not include any of the costs itemized in Paragraph 11.01.B.
- 1. Payroll costs for employees in the direct employ of Contractor in the performance of the Work under schedules of job classifications agreed upon by Owner and Contractor. Such employees shall include, without limitation, superintendents, foremen, and other personnel employed full time at the Site. Payroll costs for employees not employed full time on the Work shall be apportioned on the basis of their time spent on the Work. Payroll costs shall include, but not be limited to, salaries and wages plus the cost of fringe benefits, which shall include social security contributions, unemployment, excise, and payroll taxes, workers' compensation, health and retirement benefits, bonuses, sick leave, vacation and holiday pay applicable thereto. The expenses of performing Work outside of regular working hours, on Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays, shall be included in the above to the extent authorized by Owner.
- 2. Cost of all materials and equipment furnished and incorporated in the Work, including costs of transportation and storage thereof, and Suppliers' field services required in connection therewith. All cash discounts shall accrue to Contractor unless Owner deposits funds with Contractor with which to make payments, in which case the cash discounts shall accrue to Owner. All trade discounts, rebates and refunds and returns from sale of surplus materials and equipment shall accrue to Owner, and Contractor shall make provisions so that they may be obtained.
- 3. Payments made by Contractor to Subcontractors for Work performed by Subcontractors. If required by Owner, Contractor shall obtain competitive bids from subcontractors acceptable to Owner and

- Contractor and shall deliver such bids to Owner, who will then determine, with the advice of Engineer, which bids, if any, will be acceptable. If any subcontract provides that the Subcontractor is to be paid on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee, the Subcontractor's Cost of the Work and fee shall be determined in the same manner as Contractor's Cost of the Work and fee as provided in this Paragraph 11.01.
- 4. Costs of special consultants (including but not limited to Engineers, architects, testing laboratories, surveyors, attorneys, and accountants) employed for services specifically related to the Work.
 - 5. Supplemental costs including the following:
 - a. The proportion of necessary transportation, travel, and subsistence expenses of Contractor's employees incurred in discharge of duties connected with the Work.
 - b. Cost, including transportation and maintenance, of all materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, appliances, office, and temporary facilities at the Site, and hand tools not owned by the workers, which are consumed in the performance of the Work, and cost, less market value, of such items used but not consumed which remain the property of Contractor.
 - c. Rentals of all construction equipment and machinery, and the parts thereof whether rented from Contractor or others in accordance with rental agreements approved by Owner with the advice of Engineer, and the costs of transportation, loading, unloading, assembly, dismantling, and removal thereof. All such costs shall be in accordance with the terms of said rental agreements. The rental of any such equipment, machinery, or parts shall cease when the use thereof is no longer necessary for the Work.
 - d. Sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes related to the Work, and for which Contractor is liable, imposed by Laws and Regulations.
 - e. Deposits lost for causes other than negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, and royalty payments and fees for permits and licenses.
 - f. Losses and damages (and related expenses) caused by damage to the Work, not compensated by insurance or otherwise, sustained by Contractor in connection with the performance of the Work (except losses and damages within the deductible amounts of property insurance established in accordance with Paragraph 5.06.D), provided such losses and damages have

resulted from causes other than the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable. Such losses shall include settlements made with the written consent and approval of Owner. No such losses, damages, and expenses shall be included in the Cost of the Work for the purpose of determining Contractor's fee.

- g. The cost of utilities, fuel, and sanitary facilities at the Site.
- h. Minor expenses such as telegrams, long distance telephone calls, telephone service at the Site, expresses, and similar petty cash items in connection with the Work.
- i. The costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance Contractor is required by the Contract Documents to purchase and maintain.
- B. *Costs Excluded:* The term Cost of the Work shall not include any of the following items:
- 1. Payroll costs and other compensation of Contractor's officers, executives, principals (of partnerships and sole proprietorships), general managers, safety managers, engineers, architects, estimators, attorneys, auditors, accountants, purchasing and contracting agents, expediters, timekeepers, clerks, and other personnel employed by Contractor, whether at the Site or in Contractor's principal or branch office for general administration of the Work and not specifically included in the agreed upon schedule of job classifications referred to in Paragraph 11.01.A.1 or specifically covered by Paragraph 11.01.A.4, all of which are to be considered administrative costs covered by the Contractor's fee.
- 2. Expenses of Contractor's principal and branch offices other than Contractor's office at the Site.
- 3. Any part of Contractor's capital expenses, including interest on Contractor's capital employed for the Work and charges against Contractor for delinquent payments.
- 4. Costs due to the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, including but not limited to, the correction of defective Work, disposal of materials or equipment wrongly supplied, and making good any damage to property.
- 5. Other overhead or general expense costs of any kind and the costs of any item not specifically and expressly included in Paragraphs 11.01.A and 11.01.B.
- C. Contractor's Fee: When all the Work is performed on the basis of cost-plus, Contractor's fee shall

be determined as set forth in the Agreement. When the value of any Work covered by a Change Order or when a Claim for an adjustment in Contract Price is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, Contractor's fee shall be determined as set forth in Paragraph 12.01.C.

D. *Documentation:* Whenever the Cost of the Work for any purpose is to be determined pursuant to Paragraphs 11.01.A and 11.01.B, Contractor will establish and maintain records thereof in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and submit in a form acceptable to Engineer an itemized cost breakdown together with supporting data.

11.02 Allowances

A. It is understood that Contractor has included in the Contract Price all allowances so named in the Contract Documents and shall cause the Work so covered to be performed for such sums and by such persons or entities as may be acceptable to Owner and Engineer.

B. Cash Allowances

- 1. Contractor agrees that:
- a. the cash allowances include the cost to Contractor (less any applicable trade discounts) of materials and equipment required by the allowances to be delivered at the Site, and all applicable taxes; and
- b. Contractor's costs for unloading and handling on the Site, labor, installation, overhead, profit, and other expenses contemplated for the cash allowances have been included in the Contract Price and not in the allowances, and no demand for additional payment on account of any of the foregoing will be valid.

C. Contingency Allowance

- 1. Contractor agrees that a contingency allowance, if any, is for the sole use of Owner to cover unanticipated costs.
- D. Prior to final payment, an appropriate Change Order will be issued as recommended by Engineer to reflect actual amounts due Contractor on account of Work covered by allowances, and the Contract Price shall be correspondingly adjusted.

11.03 Unit Price Work

A. Where the Contract Documents provide that all or part of the Work is to be Unit Price Work, initially the Contract Price will be deemed to include for all Unit Price Work an amount equal to the sum of the unit price for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work times the estimated quantity of each item as indicated in the Agreement.

- B. The estimated quantities of items of Unit Price Work are not guaranteed and are solely for the purpose of comparison of Bids and determining an initial Contract Price. Determinations of the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor will be made by Engineer subject to the provisions of Paragraph 9.07.
- C. Each unit price will be deemed to include an amount considered by Contractor to be adequate to cover Contractor's overhead and profit for each separately identified item.
- D. Owner or Contractor may make a Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price in accordance with Paragraph 10.05 if:
- 1. the quantity of any item of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor differs materially and significantly from the estimated quantity of such item indicated in the Agreement; and
- 2. there is no corresponding adjustment with respect any other item of Work; and
- 3. Contractor believes that Contractor is entitled to an increase in Contract Price as a result of having incurred additional expense or Owner believes that Owner is entitled to a decrease in Contract Price and the parties are unable to agree as to the amount of any such increase or decrease.

ARTICLE 12 - CHANGE OF CONTRACT PRICE; CHANGE OF CONTRACT TIMES

12.01 Change of Contract Price

- A. The Contract Price may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price shall be based on written notice submitted by the party making the Claim to the Engineer and the other party to the Contract in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 10.05.
- B. The value of any Work covered by a Change Order or of any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price will be determined as follows:
- 1. where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 11.03); or
- 2. where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, by a mutually agreed lump sum (which may include an

- allowance for overhead and profit not necessarily in accordance with Paragraph 12.01.C.2); or
- 3. where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents and agreement to a lump sum is not reached under Paragraph 12.01.B.2, on the basis of the Cost of the Work (determined as provided in Paragraph 11.01) plus a Contractor's fee for overhead and profit (determined as provided in Paragraph 12.01.C).
- C. *Contractor's Fee:* The Contractor's fee for overhead and profit shall be determined as follows:
 - 1. a mutually acceptable fixed fee; or
- 2. if a fixed fee is not agreed upon, then a fee based on the following percentages of the various portions of the Cost of the Work:
 - a. for costs incurred under Paragraphs 11.01.A.1 and 11.01.A.2, the Contractor's fee shall be 15 percent;
 - b. for costs incurred under Paragraph 11.01.A.3, the Contractor's fee shall be five percent;
 - c. where one or more tiers of subcontracts are on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee and no fixed fee is agreed upon, the intent of Paragraph 12.01.C.2.a is that the Subcontractor who actually performs the Work, at whatever tier, will be paid a fee of 15 percent of the costs incurred by such Subcontractor under Paragraphs 11.01.A.1 and 11.01.A.2 and that any higher tier Subcontractor and Contractor will each be paid a fee of five percent of the amount paid to the next lower tier Subcontractor;
 - d. no fee shall be payable on the basis of costs itemized under Paragraphs 11.01.A.4, 11.01.A.5, and 11.01.B:
 - e. the amount of credit to be allowed by Contractor to Owner for any change which results in a net decrease in cost will be the amount of the actual net decrease in cost plus a deduction in Contractor's fee by an amount equal to five percent of such net decrease; and
 - f. when both additions and credits are involved in any one change, the adjustment in Contractor's fee shall be computed on the basis of the net change in accordance with Paragraphs 12.01.C.2.a through 12.01.C.2.e, inclusive.

12.02 Change of Contract Times

A. The Contract Times may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Claim for an adjustment in the 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 10.05.

B. Any adjustment of the Contract Times covered by a Change Order or any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Times will be determined in accordance with the provisions of this Article 12.

12.03 Delays

- A. Where Contractor is prevented from completing any part of the Work within the Contract Times due to delay beyond the control of Contractor, the Contract Times will be extended in an amount equal to the time lost due to such delay if a Claim is made therefor as provided in Paragraph 12.02.A. Delays beyond the control of Contractor shall include, but not be limited to, acts or neglect by Owner, acts or neglect of utility owners or other contractors performing other work as contemplated by Article 7, fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions, or acts of God.
- B. If Owner, Engineer, or other contractors or utility owners performing other work for Owner as contemplated by Article 7, or anyone for whom Owner is responsible, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the performance or progress of the Work, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times , or both. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- C If Contractor is delayed in the performance or progress of the Work by fire, flood, epidemic, abnormal weather conditions, acts of God, acts or failures to act of utility owners not under the control of Owner, or other causes not the fault of and beyond control of Owner and Contractor, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Times, if such adjustment is essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times. Such an adjustment shall be Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy for the delays described in this Paragraph 12.03.C.
- D. Owner, Engineer and the Related Entities of each of them shall not be liable to Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or 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) sustained by Contractor on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.
- E. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delays within the control of Contractor. Delays attributable to and within the control of a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed to be delays within the control of Contractor.

ARTICLE 13 - TESTS AND INSPECTIONS; CORRECTION, REMOVAL OR ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE WORK

13.01 Notice of Defects

A. Prompt notice of all defective Work of which Owner or Engineer has actual knowledge will be given to Contractor. All defective Work may be rejected, corrected, or accepted as provided in this Article 13.

13.02 Access to Work

A. Owner, Engineer, their consultants and other representatives and personnel of Owner, independent testing laboratories, and governmental agencies with jurisdictional interests will have access to the Site and the Work at reasonable times for their observation, inspecting, and testing. Contractor shall provide them proper and safe conditions for such access and advise them of Contractor's Site safety procedures and programs so that they may comply therewith as applicable.

13.03 *Tests and Inspections*

- A. Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work for all required inspections, tests, or approvals and shall cooperate with inspection and testing personnel to facilitate required inspections or tests.
- B. Owner shall employ and pay for the services of an independent testing laboratory to perform all inspections, tests, or approvals required by the Contract Documents except:
- 1. for inspections, tests, or approvals covered by Paragraphs 13.03.C and 13.03.D below;
- 2. that costs incurred in connection with tests or inspections conducted pursuant to Paragraph 13.04.B shall be paid as provided in said Paragraph 13.04.C; and
- 3. as otherwise specifically provided in the Contract Documents.
- C. If Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction require any Work (or part thereof) specifically to be inspected, tested, or approved by an employee or other representative of such public body, Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such inspections, tests, or approvals, pay all costs in connection therewith, and furnish Engineer the required certificates of inspection or approval.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for arranging and obtaining and shall pay all costs in connection with any inspections, tests, or approvals required for Owner's and Engineer's acceptance of materials or equipment to

be incorporated in the Work; or acceptance of materials, mix designs, or equipment submitted for approval prior to Contractor's purchase thereof for incorporation in the Work. Such inspections, tests, or approvals shall be performed by organizations acceptable to Owner and Engineer.

- E. If any Work (or the work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered by Contractor without written concurrence of Engineer, it must, if requested by Engineer, be uncovered for observation.
- F. Uncovering Work as provided in Paragraph 13.03.E shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor has given Engineer timely notice of Contractor's intention to cover the same and Engineer has not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice.

13.04 Uncovering Work

- A. If any Work is covered contrary to the written request of Engineer, it must, if requested by Engineer, be uncovered for Engineer's observation and replaced at Contractor's expense.
- B. If Engineer considers it necessary or advisable that covered Work be observed by Engineer or inspected or tested by others, Contractor, at Engineer's request, shall uncover, expose, or otherwise make available for observation, inspection, or testing as Engineer may require, that portion of the Work in question, furnishing all necessary labor, material, and equipment.
- C. If it is found that the uncovered Work is defective, Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, and testing, and of satisfactory replacement or reconstruction (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others); and Owner shall be entitled to an appropriate decrease in the Contract Price. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount thereof, Owner may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.
- D. If, the uncovered Work is not found to be defective, Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing, replacement, and reconstruction. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount or extent thereof, Contractor may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.

13.05 Owner May Stop the Work

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

13.06 Correction or Removal of Defective Work

- A. Promptly after receipt of notice, Contractor shall correct all defective Work, whether or not fabricated, installed, or completed, or, if the Work has been rejected by Engineer, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective. Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such correction or removal (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others).
- B. When correcting defective Work under the terms of this Paragraph 13.06 or Paragraph 13.07, Contractor shall take no action that would void or otherwise impair Owner's special warranty and guarantee, if any, on said Work.

13.07 Correction Period

A. If within one year after the date of Substantial Completion (or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents) or by any specific provision of the Contract Documents, any Work is found to be defective, or if the repair of any damages to the land or areas made available for Contractor's use by Owner or permitted by Laws and Regulations as contemplated in Paragraph 6.11.A is found to be defective, Contractor shall promptly, without cost to Owner and in accordance with Owner's written instructions:

- 1. repair such defective land or areas; or
- 2. correct such defective Work; or
- 3. if the defective Work has been rejected by Owner, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective, and
- 4. satisfactorily correct or repair or remove and replace any damage to other Work, to the work of others or other land or areas resulting therefrom.

- B. If Contractor does not promptly comply with the terms of Owner's written instructions, or in an emergency where delay would cause serious risk of loss or damage, Owner may have the defective Work corrected or repaired or may have the rejected Work removed and replaced. All claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such correction or repair or such removal and replacement (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others) will be paid by Contractor.
- C. In special circumstances where a particular item of equipment is placed in continuous service before Substantial Completion of all the Work, the correction period for that item may start to run from an earlier date if so provided in the Specifications .
- D. Where defective Work (and damage to other Work resulting therefrom) has been corrected or removed and replaced under this Paragraph 13.07, the correction period hereunder with respect to such Work will be extended for an additional period of one year after such correction or removal and replacement has been satisfactorily completed.
- E. Contractor's obligations under this Paragraph 13.07 are in addition to any other obligation or warranty. The provisions of this Paragraph 13.07 shall not be construed as a substitute for or a waiver of the provisions of any applicable statute of limitation or repose.

13.08 Acceptance of Defective Work

A. If, instead of requiring correction or removal and replacement of defective Work, Owner (and, prior to Engineer's recommendation of final payment, Engineer) prefers to accept it, Owner may do so. Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) attributable to Owner's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective Work (such costs to be approved by Engineer as to reasonableness) and the diminished value of the Work to the extent not otherwise paid by Contractor pursuant to this sentence. If any such acceptance occurs prior to Engineer's recommendation of final payment, a Change Order will be issued incorporating the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents with respect to the Work, and Owner shall be entitled to an appropriate decrease in the Contract Price, reflecting the diminished value of Work so accepted. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount thereof, Owner may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05. If the acceptance occurs after such recommendation, an appropriate amount will be paid by Contractor to Owner.

13.09 Owner May Correct Defective Work

- A. If Contractor fails within a reasonable time after written notice from Engineer to correct defective Work or to remove and replace rejected Work as required by Engineer in accordance with Paragraph 13.06.A, or if Contractor fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract Documents, Owner may, after seven days written notice to Contractor, correct or remedy any such deficiency.
- B. In exercising the rights and remedies under this Paragraph 13.09, Owner shall proceed expeditiously. In connection with such corrective or remedial action, Owner may exclude Contractor from all or part of the Site, take possession of all or part of the Work and suspend Contractor's services related thereto, take possession of Contractor's tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery at the Site, and incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. Contractor shall allow Owner, Owner's representatives, agents and employees, Owner's other contractors, and Engineer and Engineer's consultants access to the Site to enable Owner to exercise the rights and remedies under this Paragraph.
- C. 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) incurred or sustained by Owner in exercising the rights and remedies under this Paragraph 13.09 will be charged against Contractor, and a Change Order will be issued incorporating the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents with respect to the Work; and Owner shall be entitled to an appropriate decrease in the Contract Price. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount of the adjustment, Owner may make a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05. Such claims, costs, losses and damages will include but not be limited to all costs of repair, or replacement of work of others destroyed or damaged by correction, removal, or replacement of Contractor's defective Work.
- D. Contractor shall not be allowed an extension of the Contract Times because of any delay in the performance of the Work attributable to the exercise by Owner of Owner's rights and remedies under this Paragraph 13.09.

ARTICLE 14 - PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR AND COMPLETION

14.01 Schedule of Values

A. The Schedule of Values established as provided in Paragraph 2.07.A will serve as the basis for progress

payments and will be incorporated into a form of Application for Payment acceptable to Engineer. Progress payments on account of Unit Price Work will be based on the number of units completed.

14.02 Progress Payments

A. Applications for Payments

- 1. At least 20 days before the date established in the Agreement for each progress payment (but not more often than once a month), Contractor shall submit to Engineer for review an Application for Payment filled out and signed by Contractor covering the Work completed as of the date of the Application and accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents. If payment is requested on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the Site or at another location agreed to in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice, or other documentation warranting that Owner has received the materials and equipment free and clear of all Liens and evidence that the materials and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance or other arrangements to protect Owner's interest therein, all of which must be satisfactory to Owner.
- 2. Beginning with the second Application for Payment, each Application shall include an affidavit of Contractor stating that all previous progress payments received on account of the Work have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations associated with prior Applications for Payment.
- 3. The amount of retainage with respect to progress payments will be as stipulated in the Agreement.

B. Review of Applications

- 1. Engineer will, within 10 days after receipt of each Application for Payment, either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the Application to Owner or return the Application to Contractor indicating in writing Engineer's reasons for refusing to recommend payment. In the latter case, Contractor may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application.
- 2. Engineer's recommendation of any payment requested in an Application for Payment will constitute a representation by Engineer to Owner, based on Engineer's observations on the Site of the executed Work as an experienced and qualified design professional and on Engineer's review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data and schedules, that to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information and belief:
 - a. the Work has progressed to the point indicated;

- b. the quality of the Work is generally in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work as a functioning whole prior to or upon Substantial Completion, to the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents, to a final determination of quantities and classifications for Unit Price Work under Paragraph 9.07, and to any other qualifications stated in the recommendation); and
- c. the conditions precedent to Contractor's being entitled to such payment appear to have been fulfilled in so far as it is Engineer's responsibility to observe the Work.
- 3. By recommending any such payment Engineer will not thereby be deemed to have represented that:
 - a. inspections made to check the quality or the quantity of the Work as it has been performed have been exhaustive, extended to every aspect of the Work in progress, or involved detailed inspections of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer in the Contract Documents; or
 - b. that there may not be other matters or issues between the parties that might entitle Contractor to be paid additionally by Owner or entitle Owner to withhold payment to Contractor.
- 4. Neither Engineer's review of Contractor's Work for the purposes of recommending payments nor Engineer's recommendation of any payment, including final payment, will impose responsibility on Engineer:
 - a. to supervise, direct, or control the Work, or
 - b. for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or
 - c. for Contractor's failure to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to Contractor's performance of the Work, or
 - d. to make any examination to ascertain how or for what purposes Contractor has used the moneys paid on account of the Contract Price, or
 - e. to determine that title to any of the Work, materials, or equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any Liens.
- 5. Engineer may refuse to recommend the whole or any part of any payment if, in Engineer's opinion, it would be incorrect to make the representations to Owner stated in Paragraph 14.02.B.2. Engineer may also refuse to recommend any such payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence or the results of subsequent

inspections or tests, revise or revoke any such payment recommendation previously made, to such extent as may be necessary in Engineer's opinion to protect Owner from loss because:

- a. the Work is defective, or completed Work has been damaged, requiring correction or replacement;
- b. the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
- c. Owner has been required to correct defective Work or complete Work in accordance with Paragraph 13.09; or
- d. Engineer has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any of the events enumerated in Paragraph 15.02.A.

C. Payment Becomes Due

1. Ten days after presentation of the Application for Payment to Owner with Engineer's recommendation, the amount recommended will (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 14.02.D) become due, and when due will be paid by Owner to Contractor.

D. Reduction in Payment

- 1. Owner may refuse to make payment of the full amount recommended by Engineer because:
 - a. claims have been made against Owner on account of Contractor's performance or furnishing of the Work;
 - b. Liens have been filed in connection with the Work, except where Contractor has delivered a specific bond satisfactory to Owner to secure the satisfaction and discharge of such Liens;
 - c. there are other items entitling Owner to a set-off against the amount recommended; or
 - d. Owner has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any of the events enumerated in Paragraphs 14.02.B.5.a through 14.02.B.5.c or Paragraph 15.02.A.
- 2. If Owner refuses to make payment of the full amount recommended by Engineer, Owner will give Contractor immediate written notice (with a copy to Engineer) stating the reasons for such action and promptly pay Contractor any amount remaining after deduction of the amount so withheld. Owner shall promptly pay Contractor the amount so withheld, or any adjustment thereto agreed to by Owner and Contractor, when Contractor corrects to Owner's satisfaction the reasons for such action.

3. If it is subsequently determined that Owner's refusal of payment was not justified, the amount wrongfully withheld shall be treated as an amount due as determined by Paragraph 14.02.C.1.

14.03 Contractor's Warranty of Title

A. Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials, and equipment covered by any Application for Payment, whether incorporated in the Project or not, will pass to Owner no later than the time of payment free and clear of all Liens.

14.04 Substantial Completion

- A. When Contractor considers the entire Work ready for its intended use Contractor shall notify Owner and Engineer in writing that the entire Work is substantially complete (except for items specifically listed by Contractor as incomplete) and request that Engineer issue a certificate of Substantial Completion.
- B. Promptly after Contractor's notification, , Owner, Contractor, and Engineer shall make an inspection of the Work to determine the status of completion. If Engineer does not consider the Work substantially complete, Engineer will notify Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor.
- C. If Engineer considers the Work substantially complete, Engineer will deliver to Owner a tentative certificate of Substantial Completion which shall fix the date of Substantial Completion. There shall be attached to the certificate a tentative list of items to be completed or corrected before final payment. Owner shall have seven days after receipt of the tentative certificate during which to make written objection to Engineer as to any provisions of the certificate or attached list. If, after considering such objections, Engineer concludes that the Work is not substantially complete, Engineer will within 14 days after submission of the tentative certificate to Owner notify Contractor in writing, stating the reasons therefor. If, after consideration of Owner's objections, Engineer considers the Work substantially complete, Engineer will within said 14 days execute and deliver to Owner and Contractor a definitive certificate of Substantial Completion (with a revised tentative list of items to be completed or corrected) reflecting such changes from the tentative certificate as Engineer believes justified after consideration of any objections from Owner.
- D. At the time of delivery of the tentative certificate of Substantial Completion, Engineer will deliver to Owner and Contractor a written recommendation as to division of responsibilities pending final payment between Owner and Contractor with respect to security, operation, safety, and protection of the Work, maintenance, heat, utilities, insurance, and warranties and guarantees. Unless Owner and Contractor agree otherwise in writing and so inform Engineer in writing prior to Engineer's issuing the definitive certificate of Substantial

Completion, Engineer's aforesaid recommendation will be binding on Owner and Contractor until final payment.

E. Owner shall have the right to exclude Contractor from the Site after the date of Substantial Completion subject to allowing Contractor reasonable access to complete or correct items on the tentative list.

14.05 Partial Utilization

- A. Prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work, Owner may use or occupy any substantially completed part of the Work which has specifically been identified in the Contract Documents, or which Owner, Engineer, and Contractor agree constitutes a separately functioning and usable part of the Work that can be used by Owner for its intended purpose without significant interference with Contractor's performance of the remainder of the Work, subject to the following conditions.
- 1. Owner at any time may request Contractor in writing to permit Owner to use or occupy any such part of the Work which Owner believes to be ready for its intended use and substantially complete. If and when Contractor agrees that such part of the Work is substantially complete, Contractor will certify to Owner and Engineer that such part of the Work is substantially complete and request Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work.
- 2. Contractor at any time may notify Owner and Engineer in writing that Contractor considers any such part of the Work ready for its intended use and substantially complete and request Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work.
- 3. Within a reasonable time after either such request, Owner, Contractor, and Engineer shall make an inspection of that part of the Work to determine its status of completion. If Engineer does not consider that part of the Work to be substantially complete, Engineer will notify Owner and Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor. If Engineer considers that part of the Work to be substantially complete, the provisions of Paragraph 14.04 will apply with respect to certification of Substantial Completion of that part of the Work and the division of responsibility in respect thereof and access thereto.
- 4. No use or occupancy or separate operation of part of the Work may occur prior to compliance with the requirements of Paragraph 5.10 regarding property insurance.

14.06 Final Inspection

A. Upon written notice from Contractor that the entire Work or an agreed portion thereof is complete, Engineer will promptly make a final inspection with Owner and Contractor and will notify Contractor in writing of all particulars in which this inspection reveals

that the Work is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies.

14.07 Final Payment

A. Application for Payment

- 1. After Contractor has, in the opinion of Engineer, satisfactorily completed all corrections identified during the final inspection and has delivered, in accordance with the Contract Documents, all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance certificates of inspection, marked-up record documents (as provided in Paragraph 6.12), and other documents, Contractor may make application for final payment following the procedure for progress payments.
- 2. The final Application for Payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by:
 - a. all documentation called for in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the evidence of insurance required by Paragraph 5.04.B.7;
 - b. consent of the surety, if any, to final payment;
 - c. a list of all Claims against Owner that Contractor believes are unsettled; and
 - d. complete and legally effective releases or waivers (satisfactory to Owner) of all Lien rights arising out of or Liens filed in connection with the Work.
- 3. In lieu of the releases or waivers of Liens specified in Paragraph 14.07.A.2 and as approved by Owner, Contractor may furnish receipts or releases in full and an affidavit of Contractor that: (i) the releases and receipts include all labor, services, material, and equipment for which a Lien could be filed; and (ii) all payrolls, material and equipment bills, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which Owner or Owner's property might in any way be responsible have been paid or otherwise satisfied. If any Subcontractor or Supplier fails to furnish such a release or receipt in full, Contractor may furnish a bond or other collateral satisfactory to Owner to indemnify Owner against any Lien.
- B. Engineer's Review of Application and Acceptance
- 1. If, on the basis of Engineer's observation of the Work during construction and final inspection, and Engineer's review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation as required by the Contract Documents, Engineer is satisfied that the Work has been completed and Contractor's other obligations

under the Contract Documents have been fulfilled, Engineer will, within ten days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing Engineer's recommendation of payment and present the Application for Payment to Owner for payment. At the same time Engineer will also give written notice to Owner and Contractor that the Work is acceptable subject to the provisions of Paragraph 14.09. Otherwise, Engineer will return the Application for Payment to Contractor, indicating in writing the reasons for refusing to recommend final payment, in which case Contractor shall make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application for Payment.

C. Payment Becomes Due

1. Thirty days after the presentation to Owner of the Application for Payment and accompanying documentation, the amount recommended by Engineer, less any sum Owner is entitled to set off against Engineer's recommendation, including but not limited to liquidated damages, will become due and , will be paid by Owner to Contractor.

14.08 Final Completion Delayed

A. If, through no fault of Contractor, final completion of the Work is significantly delayed, and if Engineer so confirms, Owner shall, upon receipt of Contractor's final Application for Payment (for Work fully completed and accepted) and recommendation of Engineer, and without terminating the Contract, make payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted. If the remaining balance to be held by Owner for Work not fully completed or corrected is less than the retainage stipulated in the Agreement, and if bonds have been furnished as required in Paragraph 5.01, the written consent of the surety to the payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted shall be submitted by Contractor to Engineer with the Application for such payment. Such payment shall be made under the terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of Claims.

14.09 Waiver of Claims

- A. The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute:
- 1. a waiver of all Claims by Owner against Contractor, except Claims arising from unsettled Liens, from defective Work appearing after final inspection pursuant to Paragraph 14.06, from failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein, or from Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract Documents; and
- 2. a waiver of all Claims by Contractor against Owner other than those previously made in accordance

with the requirements herein and expressly acknowledged by Owner in writing as still unsettled.

ARTICLE 15 - SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

15.01 Owner May Suspend Work

A. At any time and without cause, Owner may suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than 90 consecutive days by notice in writing to Contractor and Engineer which will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. Contractor shall be granted an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension if Contractor makes a Claim therefor as provided in Paragraph 10.05.

15.02 *Owner May Terminate for Cause*

- A. The occurrence of any one or more of the following events will justify termination for cause:
- 1. Contractor's persistent failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment or failure to adhere to the Progress Schedule established under Paragraph 2.07 as adjusted from time to time pursuant to Paragraph 6.04);
- 2. Contractor's disregard of Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction;
- 3. Contractor's disregard of the authority of Engineer; or
- 4. Contractor's violation in any substantial way of any provisions of the Contract Documents.
- B. If one or more of the events identified in Paragraph 15.02.A occur, Owner may, after giving Contractor (and surety) seven days written notice of its intent to terminate the services of Contractor:
- 1. exclude Contractor from the Site, and take possession of the Work and of all Contractor's tools, appliances, construction equipment, and machinery at the Site, and use the same to the full extent they could be used by Contractor (without liability to Contractor for trespass or conversion),
- 2. incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and

- 3. complete the Work as Owner may deem expedient.
- C. If Owner proceeds as provided in Paragraph 15.02.B, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is completed. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price exceeds 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) sustained by Owner arising out of or relating to completing the Work, such excess will be paid to Contractor. If such claims, costs, losses, and damages exceed such unpaid balance, Contractor shall pay the difference to Owner. Such claims, costs, losses, and damages incurred by Owner will be reviewed by Engineer as to their reasonableness and, when so approved by Engineer, incorporated in a Change Order. When exercising any rights or remedies under this Paragraph Owner shall not be required to obtain the lowest price for the Work performed.
- D. Notwithstanding Paragraphs 15.02.B and 15.02.C, Contractor's services will not be terminated if Contractor begins within seven days of receipt of notice of intent to terminate to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure within no more than 30 days of receipt of said notice.
- E. Where Contractor's services have been so terminated by Owner, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of Owner against Contractor then existing or which may thereafter accrue. Any retention or payment of moneys due Contractor by Owner will not release Contractor from liability.
- F. If and to the extent that Contractor has provided a performance bond under the provisions of Paragraph 5.01.A, the termination procedures of that bond shall supersede the provisions of Paragraphs 15.02.B, and 15.02.C.

15.03 Owner May Terminate For Convenience

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

- 2. expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses;
- 3. 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) incurred in settlement of terminated contracts with Subcontractors, Suppliers, and others; and
- 4. reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination.
- B. Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated profits or revenue or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

15.04 Contractor May Stop Work or Terminate

- A. If, through no act or fault of Contractor, (i) the Work is suspended for more than 90 consecutive days by Owner or under an order of court or other public authority, or (ii) Engineer fails to act on any Application for Payment within 30 days after it is submitted, or (iii) Owner fails for 30 days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, then Contractor may, upon seven days written notice to Owner and Engineer, and provided Owner or Engineer do not remedy such suspension or failure within that time, terminate the Contract and recover from Owner payment on the same terms as provided in Paragraph 15.03.
- B. In lieu of terminating the Contract and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if Engineer has failed to act on an Application for Payment within 30 days after it is submitted, or Owner has failed for 30 days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, Contractor may, seven days after written notice to Owner and Engineer, stop the Work until payment is made of all such amounts due Contractor, including interest thereon. The provisions of this Paragraph 15.04 are not intended to preclude Contractor from making a Claim under Paragraph 10.05 for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times or otherwise for expenses or damage directly attributable to Contractor's stopping the Work as permitted by this Paragraph.

ARTICLE 16 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

16.01 Methods and Procedures

A. Either Owner or Contractor may request mediation of any Claim submitted to Engineer for a decision under Paragraph 10.05 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 effect of Paragraph 10.05.E.

- B. Owner and Contractor 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 Claim is not resolved by mediation, Engineer's action under Paragraph 10.05.C or a denial pursuant to Paragraphs 10.05.C.3 or 10.05.D shall become final and binding 30 days after termination of the mediation unless, within that time period, Owner or Contractor:
- 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. gives written notice to the other party of their intent to submit the Claim to a court of competent jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 17 - MISCELLANEOUS

17.01 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. delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the giver of the notice.

17.02 Computation of Times

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 will be omitted from the computation.

17.03 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. 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.

17.04 Survival of Obligations

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

17.05 Controlling Law

A. This Contract is to be governed by the law of the state in which the Project is located.

17.06 *Headings*

A. Article and paragraph headings are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute parts of these General Conditions.

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Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program – Contract Specifications



Rhode Island Department of Health

Center for Drinking Water Quality

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Relevant Federal and State Laws

A. Federal

- 1) Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action (Executive Order 11246)
 - i) OFCCP fact sheet.
 - ii) Equal Opportunity Clause and the Standard Federal Equal Employment Specifications.
 - iii) Notice of Non-Discrimination in Employment.
- 2) Non-discrimination in employment notice.
- 3) Assurance of compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 13 of the FWPCA Amendments of 1972 (EPA form 4700-1).
- 4) Affirmative steps for soliciting MBE/WBE (40 CFR 31.36(e))

Applicable cross-cutting Federal authorities for projects funded through SRF programs are made available at http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/dwsrf/xcuts.cfm. Additional information is provided in the United States Environmental Protection Agency's cross-cutting handbook available at https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-08/documents/crosscutterhandbook.pdf.

B. State of Rhode Island

- 1) RIGL 37-2.1, Domestic Steel
- 2) RIGL 37-12, Contractors Bonds
- 3) RIGL 37-12.1, Substitution of Security for Retained Earnings of Architects and Engineers.
- 4) RIGL 37-13, Labor and Payment of Debts by Contractors
 - i) Prevailing Wage Rates
- 5) RIGL 37-14.1, Minority Business Enterprise
 - Regulations Governing Participation by Minority Business Enterprises in State Funded and Directed Public Construction Projects, Construction Contracts and Procurement Contracts Goods and Services.
- 6) RIGL 37-16, Public Works Arbitration
- 7) RIGL 45-55, Award of Municipal Contracts

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Employment Standards Administration Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs

Fact Sheet **EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246**

EEO and Affirmative Action Guidelines for Federal Contractors Regarding Race, Color, Gender, Religion, and National Origin.

BASIC PROVISIONS

Since 1965, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) has been committed to ensuring that Government contractors comply with the equal employment opportunity (EEO) and the affirmative action provisions of their contracts.

OFCCP administers and enforces Executive Order 11246, as amended, which prohibits federal contractors and federally-assisted construction contractors and subcontractors, who do over \$10,000 in Government business in one year from discriminating in employment decisions on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

The Executive Order also requires Government contractors to take affirmative action to insure that equal opportunity is provided in all aspects of their employment.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

Each Government contractor with 50 or more employees and \$50,000 or more in government contracts is required to develop a written affirmative action program (AAP) for each of its establishments.

A written affirmative action program helps the contractor identify and analyze potential problems in the participation and utilization of women and minorities in the contractor's workforce.

If there are problems, the contractor will specify in its AAP the specific procedures it will follow and the good faith efforts it will make to provide equal employment opportunity.

Expanded efforts in outreach, recruitment, training and other areas are some of the affirmative steps contractors can take to help members of the protected groups compete for jobs on equal footing with other applicants and employees.

Affirmative action is not preferential treatment. It does not mean that unqualified persons should be hired or promoted over other people. What affirmative action does mean is that positive steps must be taken to ensure equal employment opportunity for traditionally disadvantaged groups.

ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

Compliance Reviews

OFCCP conducts compliance reviews to investigate the employment practices of Government contractors. During a compliance review, a compliance officer examines the contractor's affirmative action program; checks personnel, payroll, and other employment records; interviews employees and company officials; and investigates virtually all aspects of employment in the company.

The investigator also checks to see whether the contractor is making special efforts to achieve equal opportunity through affirmative action. If problems are discovered, OFCCP will recommend corrective action and suggest ways to achieve equal employment opportunity.

Complaint Investigations

Individuals may file complaints if they believe they have been discriminated against by federal contractors or subcontractors. Complaints also may be filed by organizations on behalf of the person or persons affected.

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Complaints must be filed within 180 days from the date of the alleged discrimination, although filing time can be extended for a good reason.

If a complaint filed under Executive Order 11246 involves discrimination against only one person, OFCCP will normally refer it to the EEOC. Cases involving groups of people or indicating patterns of discrimination are generally investigated and resolved by OFCCP. Complaints may be filed directly with any of OFCCP's regional or district offices throughout the country, or with OFCCP in Washington, D.C.

Compliance Assistance

To help contractors understand their contractual obligations for EEO and affirmative action, OFCCP provides technical assistance. District office staff offers guidance to contractors on how to develop an affirmative program through company seminars, training programs held in conjunction with industry liaison groups, and one-on-one consultations on affirmative action practices and procedures.

Enforcing Contract Compliance

When a compliance review discloses problems, OFCCP attempts to work with the contractor, often entering into a conciliation agreement. A conciliation agreement may include back pay, job offers, seniority credit, promotions or other forms of relief for victims of discrimination. It may also involve new training programs, special recruitment efforts, or other affirmative action measures.

When conciliation efforts are unsuccessful, OFCCP refers the case to the Office of the Solicitor for enforcement through administrative enforcement proceedings. A contractor cited for violating EEO and affirmative action requirements may have a formal hearing before an administrative law judge.

If conciliation is not reached before or after the hearing, sanctions may be imposed. For example, a contractor could lose its government contracts or subcontracts or be debarred, i.e., declared ineligible for any future government contracts.

Further Information

For more information about contact compliance, filing complaints, or compliance assistance, contact any of OFCCP's regional or district offices. All offices are listed in telephone directories under U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs.

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Executive Order 11246 (Excerpts from 41 CFR 60 Parts 1 and 4)

41 CFR 60-1.4 - Equal opportunity clause

(b) Federally assisted construction contracts. Except as otherwise provided, each administering agency shall require the inclusion of the following language as a condition of any grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee involving federally assisted construction which is not exempt from the requirements of the equal opportunity clause:

The applicant hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following *equal opportunity clause*:

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- (1) 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, 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 setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. Such action shall include but not be limited to the following:
- (2) 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 setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will

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- permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

- (c) *Subcontracts*. Each nonexempt prime contractor or subcontractor shall include the equal opportunity clause in each of its nonexempt subcontracts.
- (d) *Incorporation of the equal opportunity clause by reference*. The equal opportunity clause may be incorporated by reference in all Government contracts and subcontracts, including Government bills of lading, transportation requests, contracts for deposit of Government funds, and contracts for issuing and paying U.S. savings bonds and notes, and such other contracts and subcontracts as the Director may designate.
- (e) *Incorporation by operation of the order*. By operation of the order, the equal opportunity clause shall be considered to be a part of every contract and subcontract required by the order and the regulations in this part to include such a clause whether or not it is physically incorporated in such contracts and whether or not the contract between the agency and the contractor is written.

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(f) Adaptation of language. Such necessary changes in language may be made in the equal opportunity clause as shall be appropriate to identify properly the parties and their undertakings.

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41 CFR 60-4.3 - Equal opportunity clauses

(a) The equal opportunity clause published at 41 CFR 60-1.4(a) of this chapter is required to be included in, and is part of, all nonexempt Federal contracts and subcontracts, including construction contracts and subcontracts. The equal opportunity clause published at 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) is required to be included in, and is a part of, all nonexempt federally assisted construction contracts and subcontracts. In addition to the clauses described above, all Federal contracting officers, all applicants and all non-construction contractors, as applicable, shall include the specifications set forth in this section in all Federal and federally assisted construction contracts in excess of \$10,000 to be performed in geographical areas designated by the Director pursuant to 60-4.6 of this part and in construction subcontracts in excess of \$10,000 necessary in whole or in part to the performance of non-construction Federal contracts and subcontracts covered under the Executive order.

Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246)

- 1. As used in these specifications:
 - a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
 - b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
 - c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
 - d. "Minority" includes:
 - (i) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - (ii) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (iii) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - (iv) American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
- 2. Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.
- 3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or Subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or Subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.
- 4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7 a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered Construction contractors performing construction work in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

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- 5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
- 6. In order for the non-working training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.
- 7. The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:
 - a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
 - b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
 - c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-thestreet applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
 - d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
 - e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
 - f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
 - g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with onsite supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.
 - h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and Subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
 - i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations

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- serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
- j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a Contractor's work force.
- k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3
- 1. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.
- m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
- n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
- p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
- 8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these Specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance
- 9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).
- 10. The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- 11. The Contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.
- 12. The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any Contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.
- 13. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to

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comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.

- 14. The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.
- 15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).
- (b) The notice set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.2 and the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3 replace the New Form for Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Bid Conditions for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction published at 41 FR 32482 and commonly known as the Model Federal EEO Bid Conditions, and the New Form shall not be used after the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 become effective.

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NOTICE TO LABOR UNIONS OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OF WORKERS

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

TO:	
(Name of Union or Organization of Worker	rs)
The undersigned currently holds contract(s) with	(Name of Applicant)
involving funds or credit of the U.S. Government of holding such contract(s).	
You are advised that under the provisions of the accordance with Executive Order 11246, dated Septe to discriminate against any employee or applicant for veteran status, color, creed, or national origin. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:	mber 24, 1965, the undersigned is obliged nor r employment because of race, age, handicap
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This notice is furnished you pursuant to the provision Executive Order 11246.	s of the above contract(s) or subcontract(s) and
COPIES OF THIS NOTICE WILL BE POSTED BY PLACES AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES OR APP	
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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE FOR TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 AND SECTION 13 OF THE FWPCA AMENDMENTS OF 1972

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT/RECIPIENT (Hereinafter called ASSUROR)	GRANT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (To be completed by EPA)	GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED \$
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HEREBY AGREES THAT IT will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (*hereinafter called "EPA"*) issued pursuant to that title, to the end that in accordance with Title VI of that Act, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Assuror receives financial assistance from EPA and hereby gives assurance that it will now and hereafter take all necessary measures to effectuate this agreement.

HEREBY AGREES THAT IT will comply with all applicable requirements of Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 (P.L. 92-500) and all requirements of EPA issued pursuant to that section, to the end that in accordance with that section of that Act, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity under the said Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments for which the Assuror receives assistance from EPA and hereby gives assurance that it will now and hereafter take all necessary measures to effectuate this agreement.

If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of financial assistance extended to the Assuror by EPA, this Assurance obligates the Assuror, or, in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose involving the provisions of similar services or benefits. If any personal property is so provided, this Assurance obligates the Assuror for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property. In all other cases, this Assurance obligates the Assuror for the period during which the financial assistance is extended to it by EPA.

THE ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtained any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property discounts or other financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Assuror by EPA including installment payments after such date on account of arrangements for Federal financial assistance which were approved before such date. The Assuror recognizes and agrees that such Federal financial assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this Assurance and that the United States shall reserve the right to seek judicial enforcement of this Assurance. The Assurance is binding on the Assuror, its successors, transferees, and assignees, and the person or persons whose signature appear below are authorized to sign this Assurance on behalf of the Assuror.

The obligations assumed by the Assuror hereunder are in addition to any obligations which may be imposed to the Assuror by any applicable regulation now outstanding or which may hereafter be adopted by EPA to effectuate any provision or goal of the said Title VI and all applicable requirements of the said Section 13, and no part of this Assurance shall be read so as to in any way detract from or modify any obligation which may be imposed on the Assuror by any such regulation standing alone.

SIGNATURE OF ASSUROR BY PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OR COMPARABLE AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL

DATE

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CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY FIRMS, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

40 CFR 31.36(e)

- 40 CFR 31.36(e) Contracting with small and minority firms, women's business enterprise and labor surplus area firms.
- (1) The grantee and sub-grantee will take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.
- (2) Affirmative steps shall include:
 - (i) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists:
 - (ii) Assuring that small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
 - (iii) Dividing the total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - (iv) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - (v) Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
 - (vi) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (e)(2)(i) through (v) of this section.

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TITLE 37

CHAPTER 2.1 DOMESTIC STEEL

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37-2.1-1. Short title.

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Steel Products Procurement Act".

37-2.1-2. Purpose.

- (a) This chapter shall be deemed to be an exercise of the police powers of the state for the protection of the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of the state.
- (b) It is hereby determined by the general assembly of Rhode Island and declared as a matter of legislative findings that:
 - (1) The United States is one of the leading countries in the production and use of steel and its allied products;
 - (2) The use of steel products constitutes a major industry of the United States and, as such, provides the jobs and family incomes of millions of persons in the United States;
 - (3) The taxes paid to Rhode Island and the United States by employers and employees engaged in the production and sale of steel products are one of the largest single sources of public revenues in this country;
 - (4) It has, for many years, been the policy of the state to aid and support the development and expansion of industry in the United States in order to foster the economic well-being of the state and its people; and
 - (5) The economy, general welfare, and national security of the United States, are inseparably related to the preservation and development of the steel industry in the United States.
- (c) The general assembly therefore declares it to be the policy of the state that all public officers and agencies should, at all times, aid and promote the development of the steel industry of the United States in order to stimulate and improve the economic well-being of the state and its people.

37-2.1-3. Purchase of steel and steel products.

- (a) Every public agency shall require that every contract document for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement, or maintenance of public works contain a provision that, if any steel products are to be used or supplied in the performance of the contract, only steel products as herein defined shall be used or supplied in the performance of the contract or any subcontracts thereunder.
- (b) This section shall not apply in any case where the head of the public agency, in writing, determines that steel products as herein defined are not produced in, or readily available in the United States or that such steel products shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the costs of any other steel products obtainable nationally or internationally.

37-2.1-4. Payment.

No public agency shall authorize, provide for, or make any payments to any person under any contract containing the provision required by 37-2.1-3 unless the public agency is satisfied that such person has fully complied with that provision. Any such payments made to any person by any public agency which should not have been made, as a result of this section, shall be recoverable directly from the contractor or subcontractor who did not comply with 37-2.1-3 by either such public agency or the attorney general upon suit filed in the court of any county.

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37-2.1-5. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:

- (a) "Person" means natural persons as well as corporations, partnerships, business units, and associations;
- (b) "Public agency" means (1) the state and its departments, boards, commissions and agencies, (2) cities, towns, school districts, and any other governmental unit or district, (3) any and all other public bodies, authorities, officers, agencies, or instrumentalities, whether exercising a governmental or proprietary function;
- (c) "Public works" means steel to construct, frame or reinforce any public structure, building, highway, waterway, street, bridge, transit system, airport, or other betterment, work or improvement, whether of a permanent or temporary nature, and whether for governmental or proprietary use;
- (d) "Steel products" means products rolled, formed, shaped, drawn, extruded, forged, cast, fabricated, or otherwise similarly processed, or processed by a combination of two or more of such operations, from steel made in the United States by the open hearth, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer, or other steel making process;
- (e) "United States" means the United States of America and includes all territory, continental or insular, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

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TITLE 37

CHAPTER 12 CONTRACTORS' BONDS

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§ 37-12-1. Contractors required to give bond – Terms and conditions. – Every person (which word for the purposes of this chapter shall include a co-partnership, a number of persons engaged in a joint enterprise, or a corporation), before being awarded a contract by the department of transportation or by the department of administration, as the case may be, and every person awarded such a contract as a general contractor or construction or project manager for the construction, improvement, completion, or repair of any public road or portion thereof or of any bridge in which the contract price shall be in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or for a contract for the construction, improvement, completion, or repair of any public building, or portion thereof, shall be required to furnish to the respective department a bond of that person to the state, with good and sufficient surety or sureties (hereafter in this chapter referred to as surety), acceptable to the respective department, in a sum not less than fifty percent (50%) and not more than one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, conditioned that the contractor, principal in the bond, the person's executors, administrators, or successors, shall in all things, well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions, and agreements in the contract, and in any alterations thereof made as therein provided, on the person's part to be kept and performed, at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their true intent and meaning, and shall indemnify and save harmless the state, the respective department, and all of its officers, agents, and employees, as therein stipulated, and shall also promptly pay for all such labor performed or furnished and for all such materials and equipment furnished, (which as to equipment shall mean payment of the reasonable rental value, as determined by the respective department, of its use during the period of its use), as shall be used in the carrying on of the work covered by the contract, or shall see that they are promptly paid for, whether or not the labor is directly performed for or furnished to the contractor or is even directly performed upon the work covered by the contract, and whether or not the materials are furnished to the contractor or become component parts of the work, and whether or not the equipment is furnished to the contractor or even directly used upon the work. The bond shall contain the provisions that it is subject to all such rights and powers of the respective department and such other provisions as are set forth in the contract and the plans, specifications, and proposal incorporated by reference in the contract, and that no extension of the time of performance of the contract or delay in the completion of the work thereunder or any alterations thereof, made as therein provided, shall invalidate the bond or release the liability of the surety thereunder. Waiver of the bonding requirements of this section is expressly prohibited.

37-12-2. Rights of persons furnishing labor and materials.

Every person who shall have performed labor and every person who shall have furnished or supplied labor, material, or equipment in the prosecution of the work provided for in the contract, in respect of which a payment bond is furnished under § 37-12-1, and who has not been paid in full therefor before the expiration of a period of ninety (90) days after the day on which the last of the labor was performed or furnished by him or her, or material or equipment furnished or supplied by him or her for which a claim is made, shall have the right to sue on the payment bond for the amount, or the balance thereof, unpaid at the time of institution of the suit and to prosecute the action to final execution and judgment for the sum or sums justly due him or her; provided, however, that any person having direct contractual relationship with a subcontractor but no contractual relationship express or implied with the contractor

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furnishing the payment bond shall have a right of action upon the payment bond upon giving written notice to the contractor within ninety (90) days from the date on which the person furnished or performed the last of the labor, or furnished or supplied the last of the material or equipment for which the claim is made, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the labor was furnished or performed or the material or equipment was furnished or supplied. The notice shall be served by mailing the same by certified mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the contractor at any place he or she maintains an office, conducts his or her business, or his or her residence.

37-12-3. Remedies of creditors and state - Priority of claims.

The remedy on the bond shall be by a civil action brought in the superior court for the counties of Providence and Bristol and in any suit brought on the bond the rights of the state shall be prior to those of all creditors. The rights of persons who shall have performed labor as aforesaid shall be prior to the rights of all other creditors, and there shall be no priorities among laborers or among other creditors under the bond. The state, either after having recovered a judgment against the contractor on the contract or without having recovered a judgment, may bring a suit on the bond against the contractor and surety on the bond, and may join as parties defendant in the suit any persons claiming to have rights under the bond as creditors; and, if it has not brought such a suit, it may at any time before a final and conclusive decree, intervene and become a party in any suit brought, as hereafter provided in this chapter, by any person claiming to be a creditor under the bond.

37-12-4. Intervention by creditor in suit brought by state.

Any person claiming to be a creditor under the bond may at any time intervene and become a party in any pending suit brought as aforesaid by the state on the bond, and by so intervening may have the rights to the person adjudicated in the suit.

37-12-5. Time limitation on creditors' actions.

No suit instituted under § 37-12-2 shall be commenced after the expiration of two (2) years, or under the maximum time limit as contained within any labor or material payment bond required under § 37-12-1, whichever period is longer, after the day on which the last of the labor was furnished or performed or material or equipment was furnished or supplied by any person claiming under the section.

37-12-6. Intervention in suit brought by creditor - Consolidation of suits.

When a suit has been so brought on the bond by a person claiming to be a creditor under the bond and is pending, any other person claiming to be a creditor under the bond may intervene and become a party in the first suit thus brought and pending and by so intervening may have the rights of the other person adjudicated in the suit. If two (2) or more of the suits be filed in the court on the same day, the one in which the larger sum shall be claimed shall be regarded as the earlier suit. All suits brought upon the bond as provided in this chapter shall be consolidated together by the court and heard as one suit.

37-12-7. Notice of pendency of suit.

In any suit brought under the provisions of this chapter such personal notice of the pendency of the suit as the court may order shall be given to all such known creditors and persons claiming to be creditors under the bond as shall not have entered their appearances in the suit and, in addition to the notice, notice of the pendency of the suit shall be given by publication in some newspaper published in this state of general circulation in the city or town or every city or town in which the work covered by the contract was carried on, once a week for three (3) successive weeks, in such form as the court may order. The court, however, may dispense with the notices if satisfied that sufficient notices shall have been given in some other suit brought under the provisions of this chapter.

37-12-8. Certified copies of documents.

Any person claiming to be a creditor under the bond and having filed a claim with the respective department, in accordance with the requirements of § 37-12-2, shall have the right, at any time when the person could under this chapter file a suit or intervene in a pending suit, to require the respective department to furnish to the person certified copies of the contract, proposal, plans specifications, and bond.

37-12-9. Payment into court by surety - Discharge.

The surety on the bond may pay into the registry of the court, for distribution among those who may be or become entitled thereto under the decree of the court, the penal sum named in the bond less any amount which the surety

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may have paid to the state in satisfaction of the liability of the surety to the state under the bond, and then shall be entitled to be discharged from all further liability under the bond.

37-12-10. Retainers relating to contracts for public works or sewer or water main construction.

- (a) Upon substantial completion of the work required by a contract aggregating in amount less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$ 500,000) with any municipality, or any agency or political subdivision thereof, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair, or improvement of sewers and water mains, or any public works project defined in, the awarding authority may deduct from its payment a retention to secure satisfactory performance of the contractual work not exceeding five percent (5%) of the contract price unless otherwise agreed to by the parties. Upon substantial completion of the work required by a contract aggregating in an amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$ 500,000) or greater with any municipality, or any agency or political subdivision thereof, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair, or improvement of sewers and water mains, or any public works project defined in § 37-13-1, the awarding authority may deduct from its payment a retention to secure satisfactory performance of the contractual work not exceeding five percent (5%) of the contract price. In the case of periodic payments with respect to contracts less than the aggregate amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$ 500,000), the awarding authority may deduct from its payment a retention to secure satisfactory performance of the contractual work not exceeding five percent (5%) of the approved amount of any periodic payment unless otherwise agreed to by the parties. In the case of periodic payments with respect to contracts in the aggregate amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$ 500,000) or greater, the awarding authority may deduct from its payment a retention to secure satisfactory performance of the contractual work not exceeding five percent (5%) of the approved amount of any periodic payment.
- (b) The retainage shall be paid to any contractor or subcontractor within ninety (90) days of the date the work is accepted by the awarding authority unless a dispute exists with respect to the work. If payment is not made within ninety (90) days for any reason other than a dispute, which, if resolved and it is not the fault of the contractor, interest shall be assessed at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum on all money which is to be paid to the contractor or subcontractor.
- (c) The retainage shall be paid to any contractor or subcontractor within ninety (90) days of the date his or her work is completed and accepted by the awarding authority. If payment is not made, interest shall be assessed at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum.
- (d) There shall also be deducted and retained from the contract price an additional sum sufficient to pay the estimated cost of municipal police traffic control on any public works project. Municipalities shall directly pay the officers working traffic details and shall bill and be reimbursed by the withholding authority for which the contract is being performed every thirty (30) days until the project is complete.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to projects located within the town of Warren, the withholding authority shall hold an amount from the contract price which shall be reasonably sufficient to pay the estimated cost of municipal police traffic control. The withholding authority shall pay to the town of Warren within seventy-two (72) hours of written demand the actual costs of police traffic control associated with said project on an ongoing basis.

37-12-11. Substitution of securities for retained earnings.

- (a) Where any public works contract as defined by § 37-13-1 provides for the retention of earned estimates by the state of Rhode Island, the contractor may, from time to time, withdraw the whole or any portion of the amount retained for payments to the contractor pursuant to the terms of the contract, upon depositing with the general treasurer either; (1) United States treasury bonds, United States treasury notes, United States treasury certificates of indebtedness, or United States treasury bills; (2) Bonds or notes of the state of Rhode Island; or (3) Bonds of any political subdivision in the state of Rhode Island.
- (b) No amount shall be withdrawn in excess of the market value of the securities at the time of deposit or of the par value of the securities, whichever is lower. The general treasurer shall, on a regular basis, collect all interest or income on the obligations so deposited and shall pay the interest or income, when and as collected, to the contractor who deposited the obligations. If the deposit is in the form of coupon bonds, the general treasurer shall deliver each coupon as it matures to the contractor. Any amount deducted by the state, or by any public department or official thereof, pursuant to the terms of the contract, from the retained payments otherwise due the contractor, shall be

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deducted, first from that portion of the retained payments for which no security has been substituted, then from the proceeds of any deposited security. In the latter case, the contractor shall be entitled to receive interest, coupons, or income only from those securities which remain after the amount has been deducted. The securities so deposited shall be properly endorsed by the contractor in such manner so as to enable the general treasurer to carry out the provisions of this section.

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CHAPTER 12.1 SUBSTITUTION OF SECURITY FOR RETAINED EARNINGS OF ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS

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37-12.1-1. Definition of terms.

Terms used in this chapter shall be construed as follows:

- (a) "Designers", means any person, firm or corporation duly authorized pursuant to the laws of this state to engage in the practice of architecture and/or engineering within this state.
- (b) "Public works contract" means a contract to perform design or planning services by a designer with the state or any agency or governmental subdivisions thereof.
- (c) "Retained earnings" means any moneys or earned estimates withheld from a designer pursuant to the terms of a public works contract.

37-12.1-2. Substitution of security for retained earnings by designers.

- (a) Where any public works contract provides for the holding of retained earnings from a designer, the designer may from time to time withdraw the whole or any portion of the amount retained upon either depositing with the general treasurer:
 - (1) United States treasury bonds, United States treasury notes, United States treasury certificates of indebtedness, or United States treasury bills;
 - (2) Bonds or notes of the state of Rhode Island; or
 - (3) Bonds of any political subdivision of the state of Rhode Island.
 - (b) With respect to the deposit of securities, the general treasurer shall, on a regular basis, collect all interest or income on the securities so deposited and shall pay the interest or income when and as collected to the designer depositing the securities. If the security is in the form of coupon bonds, the general treasurer shall deliver each coupon as it matures to the designer.

37-12.1-3. Deduction from retained earnings.

In the event that pursuant to the terms of the public works contract it is necessary to deduct any sum from retained earnings, the state or governmental unit or agency thereof shall first apply such deduction against sums not withdrawn and thereafter from the proceeds of the sale of any securities deposited or from the income earned on such securities, whichever is applicable.

37-12.1-4. Endorsement on securities.

All securities deposited with the general treasurer pursuant to this chapter shall be properly endorsed by the designer in such manner as to enable the general treasurer to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

37-12.1-5. Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to all retained earnings held pursuant to any public works contract as of [June 16, 1991].

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CHAPTER 13 LABOR AND PAYMENT OF DEBTS BY CONTRACTORS

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37-13-1. "Public works" defined.

"Public works" as used in this chapter shall mean any public work consisting of grading, clearing, demolition, improvement, completion, repair, alteration, or construction of any public road or any bridge, or portion thereof, or any public building or portion thereof, or any heavy construction, or any public works projects of any nature or kind whatsoever.

37-13-2. "Contractor" defined - Information required.

The term "contractor" as used in this chapter shall mean the bidder whose bid has been accepted by an authorized agency or awarding authority as the bidder possessing the skills, ability, and integrity necessary to the faithful performance of the contract or work, and who shall certify that he or she is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the contract or work. Essential information in regard to qualifications shall be submitted in such form to the awarding authority and the director of labor and training as the director of labor and training shall require. The authorized agency or awarding authority shall reserve the right to reject all bids, if it be in the public interest to do so.

37-13-3. Contractors subject to provisions - Weekly payment of employees.

All contractors, who have been awarded contracts for public works by an awarding agency or authority of the state or of any city, town, committee, or by any person or persons therein, in which state or municipal funds are used and of which the contract price shall be in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) whether payable at the time of the signing of the contract or at a later date, and their subcontractors, on such public works shall pay their employees at weekly intervals and shall comply with the provisions set forth in 37-13-4 - 37-13-14, inclusive, and 37-13-16.

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37-13-3.1. State public works contract apprenticeship requirements.

Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, all general contractors and subcontractors who perform work on any public works contract awarded by the state after passage of this act and valued at one million dollars (\$ 1,000,000) or more shall employ apprentices required for the performance of the awarded contract. The number of apprentices shall comply with the apprentice to journeyman ratio for each trade approved by the apprenticeship council of the department of labor and training. To the extent that any of the provisions contained in this section conflict with the requirements for federal aid contracts, federal laws and regulations shall control.

37-13-4. Provisions applicable to public works contracts - Lists of subcontractors.

All public works shall be done by contract, subject to the same provisions of law relating thereto and to the letting thereof, which are applicable to similar contracts of the awarding authority or authorized agency, hereinafter called the "proper authority," in the general location where the work is to be performed and which are not contrary to the provisions of 37-13-1 - 37-13-14, and 37-13-16. Each contractor after the award of a contract for public works shall submit to the proper authority a list of his or her subcontractors of any part or all of the work. The list shall be submitted in such manner or form as the proper authority shall uniformly require from contractors in all public works.

37-13-5. Payment for trucking or materials furnished - Withholding of sums due.

A contractor or subcontractor on public works authorized by a proper authority shall pay any obligation or charge for trucking and material which have been furnished for the use of the contractor or subcontractor, in connection with the public works being performed by him or her, within ninety (90) days after the obligation or charge is incurred or the trucking service has been performed or the material has been delivered to the site of the work, whichever is later. When it is brought to the notice of the proper authority in a city or town, or the proper authority in the state having supervision of the contract, that the obligation or charge has not been paid by the contractor or subcontractor, the proper authority may deduct and hold for a period not exceeding sixty (60) days, from sums of money due to the contractor or subcontractor, the equivalent amount of such sums certified by a trucker or material man creditor as due him or her, as provided in this section, and which the proper authority determines is reasonable for trucking performed or materials furnished for the public works.

37-13-6. Ascertainment of prevailing rate of wages and other payments - Specification of rate in call for bids and in contract.

Before awarding any contract for public works to be done, the proper authority shall ascertain from the director of labor and training the general prevailing rate of the regular, holiday, and overtime wages paid and the general prevailing payments on behalf of employees only, to lawful welfare, pension, vacation, apprentice training, and educational funds (payments to the funds must constitute an ordinary business expense deduction for federal income tax purposes by contractors) in the city, town, village, or other appropriate political subdivision of the state in which the work is to be performed, for each craft, mechanic, teamster, laborer, or type of worker needed to execute the contract for the public works. The proper authority shall, also, specify in the call for bids for the contract and in the contract itself the general prevailing rate of the regular, holiday, and overtime wages paid and the payments on behalf of employees only, to the welfare, pension, vacation, apprentice training, and education funds existing in the locality for each craft, mechanic, teamster, laborer, or type of worker needed to execute the contract or work.

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37-13-7. Specification in contract of amount and frequency of payment of wages.

Every call for bids for every contract in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), to which the state of Rhode Island or any political subdivision thereof or any public agency or quasi-public agency is a party, for construction, alteration, and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of public buildings or public works of the state of Rhode Island or any political subdivision thereof, or any public agency or quasi-public agency and which requires or involves the employment of employees, shall contain a provision stating the minimum wages to be paid various types of employees which shall be based upon the wages that will be determined by the director of labor and training to be prevailing for the corresponding types of employees employed on projects of a character similar to the contract work in the city, town, village, or other appropriate political subdivision of the state of Rhode Island in which the work is to be performed. Every contract shall contain a stipulation that the contractor or his or her subcontractor shall pay all the employees employed directly upon the site of the work, unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account, the full amounts accrued at time of payment computed at wage rates not less than those stated in the call for bids, regardless of any contractual relationships which may be alleged to exist between the contractor or subcontractor and the employees, and that the scale of wages to be paid shall be posted by the contractor in a prominent and easily accessible place at the site of the work; and the further stipulation that there may be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments as may be considered necessary to pay to the employees employed by the contractor, or any subcontractor on the work, the difference between the rates of wages required by the contract to be paid the employees on the work and the rates of wages received by the employees and not refunded to the contractor, subcontractors, or their agents.

- (b) The terms "wages", "scale of wages", "wage rates", "minimum wages", and "prevailing wages" shall include:
- (1) The basic hourly rate of pay; and
- (2) The amount of:
- (A) The rate of contribution made by a contractor or subcontractor to a trustee or to a third person pursuant to a fund, plan, or program; and
- (B) The rate of costs to the contractor or subcontractor which may be reasonably anticipated in providing benefits to employees pursuant to an enforceable commitment to carry out a financially responsible plan or program which was communicated in writing to the employees affected, for medical or hospital care, pensions on retirement or death, compensation for injuries or illness resulting from occupational activity, or insurance to provide any of the foregoing, for unemployment benefits, life insurance, disability and sickness insurance, or accident insurance, for vacation and holiday pay, for defraying costs of apprenticeship or other similar programs, or for other bona fide fringe benefits, but only where the contractor or subcontractor is not required by other federal, state, or local law to provide any of the benefits; provided, that the obligation of a contractor or subcontractor to make payment in accordance with the prevailing wage determinations of the director of labor and training insofar as this chapter of this title and other acts incorporating this chapter of this title by reference are concerned may be discharged by the making of payments in cash, by the making of contributions of a type referred to in subsection (b)(2), or by the assumption of an enforceable commitment to bear the costs of a plan or program of a type referred to in this subdivision, or any combination thereof, where the aggregate of any payments, contributions, and costs is not less than the rate of pay described in subsection (b)(1) plus the amount referred to in subsection (b)(2).
- (c) The term "employees", as used in this section, shall include employees of contractors or subcontractors performing jobs on various types of public works including mechanics, apprentices, teamsters, chauffeurs, and laborers engaged in the transportation of gravel or fill to the site of public works, the removal and/or delivery of gravel or fill or ready-mix concrete, sand, bituminous stone, or asphalt flowable fill from the site of public works, or the transportation or removal of gravel or fill from one location to another on the site of public works, and the employees shall be subject to the provisions of subsections (a) and (b).
- (d) The terms "public agency" and "quasi-public agency" shall include, but not be limited to, the Rhode Island industrial recreational building authority, the Rhode Island economic development corporation, the Rhode Island airport corporation, the Rhode Island industrial facilities corporation, the Rhode Island refunding bond authority, the Rhode Island housing and mortgage finance corporation, the Rhode Island resource recovery corporation, the Rhode Island public transit authority, the Rhode Island student loan authority, the water resources board corporate, the Rhode Island health and education building corporation, the Rhode Island turnpike and bridge authority, the Narragansett Bay water quality management district commission, Rhode Island telecommunications authority, the

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convention center authority, the board of governors for higher education, the board of regents for elementary and secondary education, the capital center commission, the housing resources commission, the Quonset Point-Davisville management corporation, the Rhode Island children's crusade for higher education, the Rhode Island depositors economic protection corporation, the Rhode Island lottery commission, the Rhode Island partnership for science and technology, the Rhode Island public building authority, and the Rhode Island underground storage tank board.

37-13-8. Investigation and determination of prevailing wages - Filing of schedule.

The director of labor and training shall investigate and determine the prevailing wages and payments made to or on behalf of employees, as set forth in § 37-13-7, paid in the trade or occupation in the city, town, village, or other appropriate political subdivision of the state and keep a schedule on file in his or her office of the customary prevailing rate of wages and payments made to or on behalf of the employees which shall be open to public inspection. In making a determination, the director of labor may adopt and use such appropriate and applicable prevailing wage rate determinations as have been made by the secretary of labor of the United States of America in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. § 276a; provided, however, that each contractor awarded a public works contract after July 1, 2007 shall contact the department of labor and training on or before July first of each year, for the duration of such contract to ascertain the prevailing wage rate of wages on a hourly basis and the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each mechanic, laborer or worker employed upon the work contracted to be done each year and shall make any necessary adjustments to such prevailing rate of wages and such payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each such employee every July first.

37-13-9. Statutory provisions included in contracts.

A copy of 37-13-5, 37-13-6, and 37-13-7 shall be inserted in all contracts for public works awarded by the state or any city or town, committee, an authorized agency or awarding authority thereof, or any person or persons in their behalf in which state or municipal funds are used if the contract price be in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

37-13-10. Overtime compensation.

Labor performed under the provisions of 37-13-1 - 37-13-16, inclusive, during the period of forty (40) hours in any one week and during the period of eight (8) hours in any one day, shall be considered a legal week's work or a legal day's work, as the case may be, and any number of hours of employment in any one week greater than the number of forty (40) hours or in any one day greater than the number of eight (8) hours shall be compensated at the prevailing rate of wages for overtime employment; provided, however, when the director of labor and training has determined in the investigation provided for in 37-13-7 and 37-13-8 that there is a prevailing practice in a city, town, or other appropriate political subdivision to pay an overtime rate of wages for work of any craft, mechanic, teamster, laborer, or type of worker needed to execute the work other than hours worked in any one week greater than the number of forty (40) or in hours worked in any one day greater than the number of eight (8), then the prevailing practice shall determine the legal workday and the legal workweek in the city or town for the work and the prevailing rate of overtime wages shall be paid for such work in excess of that legal workday or week, as the case may be.

37-13-11. Posting of prevailing wage rates.

Each contractor awarded a contract for public works with a contract price in excess of one thousand dollars (\$ 1,000), and each subcontractor who performs work on those public works, shall post in conspicuous places on the project, where covered workers are employed, posters which contain the current, prevailing rate of wages and the current, prevailing rate of payments to the funds required to be paid for each craft or type of worker employed to execute the contract as set forth in §§ 37-13-6 and 37-13-7, and the rights and remedies of any employee described in § 37-13-17 for nonpayment of any wages earned pursuant to this chapter. Posters shall be furnished to contractors and subcontractors by the director of labor and training, who shall determine the size and context thereof from time to time, at the time a contract is awarded. A contractor or subcontractor who fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall pay to the director of labor and training one hundred dollars (\$ 100) for each calendar day of noncompliance as determined by him or her. Contracts set forth in this section shall not be awarded by the state, any city, town, or any agency thereof until the director of labor and training has prepared and delivered the posters to the division of purchases, if the state or any agency thereof is the proper authority, or to the city, town, or an agency thereof, if it is the proper authority, and the contractor to whom the contract is to be awarded.

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37-13-12. Wage records of contractors.

Each contractor awarded a contract with a contract price in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for public works, and each subcontractor who performs work on those public works, shall keep an accurate record showing the name, occupation, and actual wages paid to each worker employed by him or her and the payments to all the employee funds specified in sections 37-13-6 and 37-13-7 by him or her in connection with the contract or work. The director and his or her authorized representatives shall have the right to enter any place of employment at all reasonable hours for the purpose of inspecting the wage records and seeing that all provisions of this chapter are complied with.

37-13-12.1. Obstruction of enforcement.

Any effort of any employer to obstruct the director and his or her authorized representatives in the performance of their duties shall be deemed a violation of this chapter and punishable as such.

37-13-12.2. Subpoena powers.

The director and his or her authorized representatives shall have power to administer oaths and examine witnesses under oath, issue subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of papers, books, accounts, records, payrolls, documents, and testimony, and to take depositions and affidavits in any proceeding before the director.

37-13-12.3. Compelling obedience to subpoenas.

In case of failure of any person to comply with any subpoena lawfully issued, or subpoena duces tecum, or on the refusal of any witness to testify to any matter regarding which he may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be the duty of the superior court, or any judge thereof, on application by the director, to compel obedience by proceedings in the nature of those for contempt.

37-13-12.4. Penalty for violations.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any employer who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each separate offense, or by imprisonment of up to one year, or by both fine and imprisonment. Each day of failure to pay wages due an employee at the time specified in this chapter shall constitute a separate and distinct violation.

37-13-13. Furnishing payroll record to director of labor.

- (a) Every contractor and subcontractor awarded a contract for public works as defined by this chapter shall furnish a certified copy of his or her payroll records of his or her employees employed on the project to the awarding authority on a monthly basis for all work completed in the preceding month on a uniform form prescribed by the director of labor and training. Notwithstanding the foregoing, certified payrolls for department of transportation public works may be submitted on the federal payroll form, provided that, when a complaint is being investigated, the director or his or her designee may require that a contractor resubmit the certified payroll on the uniform department form.
- (b) Awarding authorities, contractors and subcontractors shall provide any and all payroll records to the director of labor and training within ten (10) days of their request by the director or his or her designee.
- (c) In addition, every contractor and subcontractor shall maintain on the site where public works are being constructed and the general or primary contract is one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, a daily log of employees employed each day on the public works project. The log shall include, at a minimum, for each employee his or her name, primary job title, and employer and shall be kept on a uniform form prescribed by the director of labor and training. Such log shall be available for inspection on the site at all times by the awarding authority and/or the director of the department of labor and training and his or her designee. This subsection shall not apply to road, highway, or bridge public works projects.
- (d) The director of labor and training may promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to enforce the provisions of this section.
- (e) The awarding authority of any public works project shall withhold the next scheduled payment to any contractor or subcontractor who fails to comply with the provisions of subsections (a) or (b) above and shall also Rev. 08/2018

notify the director of labor and training. The awarding authority shall withhold any further payments until such time as the contractor or subcontractor has fully complied. If it is a subcontractor who has failed to comply, the amount withheld shall be proportionate to the amount attributed or due to the offending subcontractor as determined by the awarding authority. The department may also impose a penalty of up to five hundred dollars (\$500) for each calendar day of noncompliance with this section, as determined by the director of labor and training. Mere errors and/or omissions in the daily logs maintained under subsection (c) shall not be grounds for imposing a penalty under this subsection.

37-13-13.1. Audits of wage records of out of state contractors and subcontractors.

Out of state contractors or subcontractors who perform work on public works in this state authorize the director of labor and training to conduct wage and hour audits of their payroll records pursuant to the provisions of chapter 14 of title 28.

37-13-14. Contractor's bond.

The state or any city, town, agency, or committee therein awarding contracts for public works shall require the contractor awarded a contract with a contract price in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$ 50,000) for public works to file with the proper authority good and sufficient bond with surety furnished by any surety company authorized to do business in the state, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and upon the payment for labor performed and material furnished in connection therewith, a bond to contain the terms and conditions set forth in chapter 12 of this title, and to be subject to the provisions of that chapter. Waiver of the bonding requirements of this section is expressly prohibited.

37-13-14.1. Enforcement - Hearing

(a) Before issuing an order or determination, the director of labor and training shall order a hearing thereon at a time and place to be specified, and shall give notice thereof, together with a copy of the complaint or the purpose thereof, or a statement of the facts disclosed upon investigation, which notice shall be served personally or by mail on any person, firm, or corporation affected thereby. The person, firm, or corporation shall have an opportunity to be heard in respect to the matters complained of at the time and place specified in the notice, which time shall be not less than five (5) days from the service of the notice personally or by mail. The hearing shall be held within ten (10) days from the order of hearing. The hearing shall be conducted by the director of labor and training or his or her designee. The hearing officer in the hearing shall be deemed to be acting in a judicial capacity and shall have the right to issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and examine witnesses. The enforcement of a subpoena issued under this section shall be regulated by Rhode Island civil practice law and rules. The hearing shall be expeditiously conducted, and upon such hearing, the hearing officer shall determine the issues raised thereon and shall make a determination and enter an order within ten (10) days of the close of the hearing, and forthwith serve a copy of the order, with a notice of the filing thereof, upon the parties to the proceeding, personally or by mail. The order shall dismiss the charges or direct payment of wages or supplements found to be due, including interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of the underpayment to the date of payment, and may direct payment of reasonable attorney's fees and costs to the complaining party.

(b) In addition to directing payment of wages or supplements including interest found to be due, the order shall also require payment of a further sum as a civil penalty in an amount up to three times the total amount found to be due. Further, if the amount of salary owed to an employee pursuant to this chapter but not paid to the employee in violation of thereof exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000), it shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall be referred to the office of the attorney general. The misdemeanor shall be punishable for a period of not more than one year in prison and/or fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000). In assessing the amount of the penalty, due consideration shall be given to the size of the employer's business, the good faith of the employer, the gravity of the violation, the history of previous violations, and the failure to comply with recordkeeping or other nonwage requirements. The surety of the person, firm, or corporation found to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be bound to pay any penalties assessed on such person, firm, or corporation. The penalty shall be paid to the department of labor and training for deposit in the state treasury; provided, however, it is hereby provided that the general treasurer shall establish a dedicated "prevailing wages enforcement fund" for the purpose of depositing the penalties paid as provided herein. There is hereby appropriated to the annual budget of the department of labor and training for the sole purpose of enforcing prevailing wage rates as provided in this chapter.

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- (c) For the purposes of this chapter, each day or part thereof of violation of any provision of this chapter by a person, firm, or corporation, whether the violation is continuous or intermittent, shall constitute a separate and succeeding violation.
- (d) In addition to the above, any person, firm, or corporation found in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter by the director of labor and training, an awarding authority, or the hearing officer, shall be ineligible to bid on, or be awarded work by, an awarding authority or perform any such work for a period of no less than eighteen (18) months and no more than thirty-six (36) months from the date of the order entered by the hearing officer. Once a person, firm, or corporation is found to be in violation of this chapter, all pending bids with any awarding authority shall be revoked, and any bid awarded by an awarding authority prior to the commencement of the work shall also be revoked.
- (e) In addition to the above, any person, firm, or corporation found to have committed two (2) or more willful violations in any period of eighteen (18) months of any of the provisions of this chapter by the hearing officer, which violations are not arising from the same incident, shall be ineligible to bid on, or be awarded work by, an awarding authority or perform any work for a period of sixty (60) months from the date of the second violation.
- (f) The order of the hearing officer shall remain in full force and effect unless stayed by order of the superior court.
- (g) The director of labor and training, awarding authority, or hearing officer shall notify the bonding company of any person, firm, or corporation suspected of violating any section of this chapter. The notice shall be mailed certified mail and shall enumerate the alleged violations being investigated.
- (h) In addition to the above, any person, firm, or corporation found to have willfully made a false or fraudulent representation on certified payroll records shall be referred to the office of the attorney general. A first violation of this section shall be considered a misdemeanor and shall be punishable for a period of not more than one year in prison and/or fined one thousand dollars (\$1,000). A second or subsequent violation of this section shall be considered a felony and shall be punishable for a period of not more than three (3) years imprisonment, a fine of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), or both. Further, any person, firm, or corporation found to have willfully made a false or fraudulent representation on certified payroll records shall be required to pay a civil penalty to the department of labor and training in an amount of no less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) and not greater than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) per representation.

37-13-15. Review.

- (a) There is hereby created an appeals board which shall be comprised of three (3) members who shall be appointed by the governor; provided, however, that each member of the appeals board shall have at least five (5) years experience with prevailing wage rates as they apply to the construction industry. The members of such appeals board shall serve without compensation. The members of the appeals board shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years except that of the three (3) members originally appointed by each of the appointing authorities; one (1) shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year, one (1) shall be a appointed for a term of two (2) years and one (1) for a term of three (3) years.
- (b) Any person aggrieved by any action taken by the director of labor and training or his or her designated hearing officer under the authority of this chapter, or by the failure or refusal of the director of labor and training to take any action authorized by this chapter, may obtain a review thereof for the purpose of obtaining relief from the action or lack of action by filing a petition for administrative review and relief, to the appeals board as provided herein. The petition for administrative review shall be filed within twenty (20) days of the action taken by the director of labor and training or designated hearing officer: The petition for administrative review shall be heard within ten (10) days of the date of filing. An aggrieved person under this section shall include:
 - (1) Any person who is required to pay wages to his or her employees or make payments to a fund on behalf of his or her employees, as provided in this chapter;
 - (2) Any person who is required to be paid wages for his or her labor or on whose behalf payments are required to be paid to funds, as provided by this chapter;
 - (3) The lawful collective bargaining representative of a person defined in subdivision (2) above;
 - (4) A trade association of which a person defined in subdivision (1) above is a member;
 - (5) A proper authority as defined in this chapter;

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- (6) A contractor who submitted a bid for work to be or which has been awarded under the provisions of this chapter or a trade association of which he or her is a member, and
- (7) A labor organization which has one or more written collective bargaining agreements with one or more employers or a trade association which sets forth the hours, wages, and working conditions of a craft, mechanic, teamster, or type of worker needed to execute the work, as provided in this chapter to the extent that it would be affected by the action or the failure to act of the director of labor and training or the hearing officer.
- (c) Any aggrieved person as defined herein may obtain a review of a decision of the appeals board by filing a petition in the superior court in Providence county pursuant to the provisions of the administrative procedures act, praying for review and relief and the petition shall follow the course of and be subject to the procedures for causes filed in the court.
- (d) The director is hereby empowered to enforce his or her decision and/or the decision of the appeals board in the superior court for the county of Providence.

37-13-16. Termination of work on failure to pay agreed wages - Completion of work.

Every contract within the scope of this chapter shall contain the further provision that in the event it is found by the director of labor and training that any employee employed by the contractor or any subcontractor directly on the site of the work covered by the contract has been or is being paid a rate of wages less than the rate of wages required by the contract to be paid as aforesaid, the awarding party may, by written notice to the contractor or subcontractor, terminate his or her right as the case may be, to proceed with the work, or such part of the work as to which there has been a failure to pay the required wages, and shall prosecute the work to completion by contract or otherwise, and the contractor and his or her sureties shall be liable to the awarding party for any excess costs occasioned the awarding authority thereby.

37-13-17. Private right of action to collect wages or benefits

- (a) An employee or former employee, or any organization representing such an employee or former employee, of a contractor or subcontractor may bring a civil action for a violation of § 37-13-7 for appropriate injunctive relief, or actual damages, or both within three (3) years after the occurrence of the alleged violation. An action commenced pursuant to this section, may be brought in the superior court for the county where the alleged violation occurred, the county where the complainant resides, or the county where the person against whom in the civil complaint is filed resides or has their principal place of business. Any contractor or subcontractor who violates the provisions of § 37-13-7 shall be liable to the affected employee or employees in the amount of unpaid wages or benefits, plus interest. A civil action filed in court under this section may be instituted instead of, but not in addition to the director of labor and training enforcement procedures authorized by § 37-13-14.1, provided the civil action is filed prior to the date the director of labor and training issues notice of an administrative hearing.
- (b) An employer's responsibility and liability is solely for its own employees.
- (c) An action instituted pursuant to this section may be brought by one or more employees or former employees on behalf of himself/herself or themselves and other employees similarly situated, except that no employee shall be a party plaintiff to any such action unless he/she gives his/her consent in writing to become such a party and such consent is filed in the court in which such action is brought.
- (d) In an action filed under this section in which the plaintiff prevails, the court shall, in addition to any judgment awarded to the plaintiff, require reasonable attorneys' fees and the costs of the action to be paid by the defendant.
- (e) The court in an action filed under this section shall award affected employees or former employees liquidated damages in an amount equal to two (2) times the amount of unpaid wages or benefits owed. Unpaid fringe benefit contributions owed pursuant to this section in any form shall be paid to the appropriate benefit fund, however, in the absence of an appropriate fund the benefit shall be paid directly to the individual.
- (f) The filing of a civil action under this section shall not preclude the director of labor and training from referring a matter to the attorney general as provided in § 37-13-14.1(b), from prohibiting a contractor or subcontractor from bidding on or otherwise participating in contracts as provided in § 37-13-14.1(d), (e) and (h), or from prohibiting termination of work on failure to pay agreed wages pursuant to § 37-13-16.

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- (g) Any person, firm, or corporation found to have willfully made a false or fraudulent representation in connection with wage obligations owed on a contract shall be required to pay a civil penalty to the department of labor and training in an amount of no less than one thousand dollars (\$ 1,000) and not greater than three thousand dollars (\$ 3,000) per representation. Such penalties shall be recoverable in civil actions filed pursuant to this section. For purposes of this subsection "willfully" shall mean representations that are known to be false, or representations made with deliberate ignorance or reckless disregard for their truth or falsity.
- (h) An employer shall not discharge, threaten, or otherwise discriminate against an employee, or former employee, regarding compensation terms, conditions, locations or privileges of employment because the employee or former employee, or a person or organization acting on his or her behalf: (1) Reports or makes a complaint under this section; or otherwise asserts his or her rights under this section; and/or (2) Participates in any investigation, hearing or inquiry held by the director of labor and training under § 37-13-14.1. In the event a contractor or subcontractor retaliates or discriminates against an employee in violation of this section, the affected employee may file an action in any court of competent jurisdiction and the court shall order reinstatement and/or restitution of the affected employee, as appropriate, with back pay to the date of the violation, and an additional amount in liquidated damages equal to two (2) times the amount of back pay and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- (i) If any one or more subsections of this section shall for any reason be adjudged unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remaining subsections.

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PREVAILING WAGE RATES

(THE PREVAILING WAGE RATES THAT ARE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THAT THE PROJECT GOES OUT TO BID MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE BID SPECIFICATIONS)

Find current prevailing wage rates using the Department of Labor and Training website:

https://dlt.ri.gov/regulation-and-safety/prevailing-wage

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TITLE 37

CHAPTER 14.1 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

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37-14.1-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to carry out the state's policy of supporting the fullest possible participation of firms owned and controlled by minorities and women (MBE's), in state funded and state directed public construction programs and projects and in state purchases of goods and services. This includes assisting MBE's throughout the life of contracts in which they participate.

37-14.1-2. Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to any and all state purchasing, including, but not limited to the procurement of goods, services, construction projects, or contracts funded in whole or in part by state funds, or funds which, in accordance with a federal grant or otherwise, the state expends or administers or in which the state is a signatory to the construction contract.

37-14.1-3. Definitions.

- (a) "Affirmative action" means taking specific steps to eliminate discrimination and its effects, to ensure nondiscriminatory results and practices in the future, and to involve minority business enterprises fully in contracts and programs funded by the state.
- (b) "Compliance" means the condition existing when a contractor has met and implemented the requirements of this chapter.
- (c) "Contract" means a mutually binding legal relationship or any modification thereof obligating the seller to furnish supplies or services, including construction, and the buyer to pay for them. For purposes of this chapter, a lease is a contract.
- (d) "Contractor" means one who participates, through a contract or subcontract, in any procurement or program covered by this chapter, and includes lessees and material suppliers.
- (e) "Minority" means a person who is a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and who is:
 - (1) Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa);
 - (2) Hispanic (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (3) Portuguese (a person of Portuguese, Brazilian, or other Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (4) Asian American (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands);
 - (5) American Indian and Alaskan Native (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America.); or
 - (6) Members of other groups, or other individuals, found to be economically and socially disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration under section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, as amended [15 U.S.C. 637(a)].
- (f) "Minority business enterprise" or "MBE" means a small business concern, as defined pursuant to section 3 of the federal Small Business Act [15 U.S.C. 632] and implementing regulations, which is owned and controlled by one or more minorities or women. For the purposes of this chapter, owned and controlled means a business.

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- (1) Which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more minorities or women or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock of which is owned by one or more minorities or women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.
- (g) "MBE coordinator" means the official designated to have overall responsibility for promotion of minority business enterprise in his or her departmental element.
- (h) "Noncompliance" means the condition existing when a recipient or contractor has failed to implement the requirements of this chapter.

37-14.1-4. Policy.

It is the policy of the state of Rhode Island that minority business enterprises (MBE's) shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of procurements and projects outlined in 37-14.1-2.

37-14.1-5. Discrimination prohibited.

No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise discriminated against in connection with the award and performance of any project covered by this chapter, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex.

37-14.1-6. Minority business enterprise participation.

Minority business enterprises shall be included in all procurements and construction projects under this chapter and shall be awarded a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the dollar value of the entire procurement or project. The director of the department of administration is further authorized to establish by rules and regulation formulas for giving minority business enterprises a preference in contract and subcontract awards.

37-14.1-7. Establishment of criteria and guidelines.

The director of the department of administration shall establish, by rule and regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 35 of title 42, standards which shall determine whether a construction project is covered by this chapter, compliance formulas, procedures for implementation, and procedures for enforcement which are not inconsistent with 49 CFR 23 of the federal regulations. As to Rhode Island department of transportation contracts, the director of administration may delegate this authority to the director of transportation.

37-14.1-8. Sanctions.

- (a) The director of the department of administration shall have the power to impose sanctions upon contractors not in compliance with this chapter and shall include but not be limited to:
 - (1) Suspension of payments;
 - (2) Termination of the contract;
 - (3) Recovery by the state of ten percent (10%) of the contract award price as liquidated damages; and
 - (4) Denial of right to participate in future projects for up to three (3) years.
- (b) As to Rhode Island department of transportation contracts, the director of the department of administration may delegate this authority to the director of transportation.

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RHODE ISLAND REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN STATE FUNDED AND DIRECTED PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

In accordance with RI Gen. Law § 37-14.1-1, it is the policy of the State of Rhode Island to support the fullest possible participation of firms owned and controlled by minorities (MBEs) and women (WBEs). Pursuant to §§ 37-14.1-2 and 37-14.1-6, MBEs and WBEs shall be included in all state purchasing, including, but not limited to, the procurement of goods, services, construction projects, or contracts funded in whole or in part with state funds, or funds which, in accordance with a federal grant or otherwise, the state expends or administers. MBEs and WBEs shall be awarded a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the dollar value of the entire procurement or project. MBE participation credit shall only be granted for firms duly certified as MBEs or WBEs by the State of Rhode Island, Department of Administration, Office of Diversity, Equity and Opportunity, MBE Compliance Office (MBECO). The current directory of firms certified as MBEs or WBEs may be accessed at http://odeo.ri.gov/offices/mbeco/mbe-wbe.php or by contacting Kate Constance Brody, Esq. Administrator at the MBECO at (401) 574-8670 or via email at Kate.Brody@doa.ri.gov.

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TITLE 37

CHAPTER 16 PUBLIC WORKS ARBITRATION

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37-16-1. Short title.

This chapter shall be known as the "Public Works Arbitration Act".

37-16-2. Contract provision for arbitration.

- (a) A provision in a written contract executed on or after January 1, 1962, for the construction, alteration, repair, or painting of any public building, sewer, highway, bridge, water treatment or disposal projects one party to which is the state, a city, a town, or an authority, a board, a public corporation, or any similar body created by statute or ordinance or any committee, agency, or subdivision of any of them, to settle by arbitration any dispute or claim arising out of or concerning the performance or interpretation of the contract shall be valid, irrevocable, and enforceable, save upon grounds existing in law or equity for the revocation of the contract.
- (b) (1) Every contract for the construction, alteration, repair, painting, or demolition of any public building, sewer, water treatment or disposal project, highway, or bridge one party to which is the state, a city, a town, or an authority, a board, a public corporation, or any similar body created by statute or ordinance or any committee, agency, or subdivision of any of them which has a contract price of ten thousand dollars (\$ 10,000) or more and which is executed on or after July 1, 1967, shall contain a provision for arbitration of disputes and claims arising out of or concerning the performance or interpretation of the contract as follows:
- (2) "All claims, disputes, and other matters in question arising out of or relating to this contract or the performance or interpretation thereof shall be submitted to arbitration. Arbitration shall be commenced by a demand in writing made by one party to the contract upon the other within a reasonable time after the dispute, claim, or other matter in question arose but in no event after payment in full of the contract price has been made and accepted. The written demand shall contain a statement of the question to be arbitrated and a detailed statement of each item or matter in

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dispute and the name of the arbitrator appointed by that party. The other party to the contract within ten (10) days of the receipt of the written demand shall appoint an arbitrator and give notice in writing thereof to the party who commenced arbitration. The two (2) arbitrators appointed by the parties shall within ten (10) days of the date of the appointment of the second arbitrator select a third arbitrator who shall be designated as chairperson and who immediately shall give written notice to the parties of his or her appointment. The third arbitrator shall select a time. date, and place for hearing and give each party five (5) days notice in writing thereof. The date for hearing shall not be more than fifteen (15) days after the date of appointment of the third arbitrator. The award shall be made promptly by the arbitrators and, unless otherwise agreed by the parties or specified by law, no later than thirty (30) days from the date of closing the hearing, or, if oral hearings have been waived, from the date of the transmittal of the final statements and proofs to the arbitrators. The award shall be in writing and shall be signed by a majority of the arbitrators. It shall be executed in the manner required by law. The arbitrator shall provide a written explanation of the reasoning for the award. In the event the party of whom arbitration is demanded shall fail to appoint his or her arbitrator within the time specified or the two (2) arbitrators appointed by the parties are unable to agree on an appointment of the third arbitrator within the time specified, either party may petition the presiding justice of the superior court to appoint a single arbitrator who shall hear the parties and make an award as provided herein. The petitioner shall give five (5) days notice in writing to the other party before filing his or her petition."

- (c) Any dispute involving claims less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$ 100,000) and associated with construction of a highway or bridge as referred to in subsection (b) shall be submitted to arbitration. Any dispute involving claims of one hundred thousand dollars (\$ 100,000) or more and associated with construction of a highway or bridge as referred to in subsection (b) shall only be arbitrated with the consent of the parties. If the parties fail to consent to arbitration and the state of Rhode Island is a party to the dispute, then the claim will proceed in accordance with § 37-13.1-1.
- (d) For the purposes of this section, the term "claims" shall not mean the aggregate amount sought under the contract or in the arbitration, but shall refer specifically to each item or matter in dispute for which additional compensation is sought or for each item for which a credit is sought.
- (e) Notwithstanding subsection (a) or (b) of this section, if any contract except for highway and bridge contracts provides for an arbitration procedure, and a method of appointment of an arbitrator or arbitrators, that method shall be followed instead of the method provided in subsection (b) of this section.
- (f) This section shall apply to all written contracts executed on or after January 1, 1986.

37-16-3. Application to subcontracts.

When a contract described in 37-16-2 is in effect and any party thereto has entered into a subcontract to perform part of the work and/or furnish any materials in connection with the work described in the contract and the terms of the subcontract provide for arbitration of a dispute or claim concerning the performance or interpretation thereof, or the subcontract, expressly or by reference to the terms of the contract, provides that the parties to the subcontract shall comply with the arbitration provisions of the contract, the following shall apply when a request is made or an order of court is entered for arbitration either under the terms of the contract or subcontract.

- (a) When arbitration under the contract may adversely affect the interest of a party thereto because of the effect of an award of the arbitrator or arbitrators upon the performance or interpretation of the terms of a subcontract to which he or she is also a party, he or she may require any other party or all other parties to the subcontract to become a party or parties to the arbitration.
- (b) When a party to a subcontract makes a demand or an order of court is entered for arbitration under the terms of the subcontract which comply with the provision of this chapter, any party thereto who is also a party to the contract and whose rights under the contract may be adversely affected by the effect of an award of the arbitrator or arbitrators upon the performance or interpretation of the contract, may require any other party to the contract to become a party to the arbitration.
- (c) When a party to a contract or to a subcontract is made a party to arbitration by virtue of the provisions of this section, he or she shall have all the rights of a party to arbitration as provided in this chapter except the appointment of an arbitrator. Provided, however, he or she may object to the arbitrators appointed by the parties in which event a single arbitrator shall be appointed as provided in 37-16-2 in the petition of either of the original parties to arbitration. The award of the arbitrator or arbitrators shall be valid and shall be binding on him or her to

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the extent that it affects the performance or interpretation of the contract and/or subcontract to which he or she is a party. The award of the arbitrator or arbitrators may be enforced, modified, or vacated as this chapter provides an award made in an arbitration of a contract described in 37-16-2 may be enforced, modified, or vacated.

37-16-4. Stay of legal proceedings pending arbitration.

If any suit or proceedings be brought upon any issue referable to arbitration under contract in writing providing for arbitration, the court in which the suit is pending upon being satisfied that the issue involved in the suit or proceedings is referable to arbitration under the contract, shall on application of one of the parties, stay the trial of the action until arbitration has been held.

37-16-5. Jurisdiction of superior court to enforce arbitration provision and awards.

The entering into a contract in writing providing for arbitration shall be deemed a consent of all parties, including those enumerated in 37-16-2, thereto to the jurisdiction of the superior court of this state to enforce the arbitration provision and any award made pursuant to that provision. A party aggrieved by the failure, neglect, or refusal of another to perform under a contract providing for arbitration, may petition the superior court, or a judge thereof, for an order directing that arbitration proceed in the manner provided for in the contract. Five (5) days' notice in writing of the application shall be served upon the part in default. Service thereof shall be made in the manner specified in the contract, and if no manner specified therein, then in the manner provided by law for personal service of a summons, within or without the state, or substituted service of a summons, or upon satisfactory proof that the party aggrieved has been or will be unable with due diligence to make service in any of the foregoing manners, then notice shall be served in such manner as the court or judge may direct. A judge of the superior court shall hear the parties and upon being satisfied that there is no substantial issue as to the making of the contract or the failure to comply therewith, the court, or the judge thereof, hearing the application, shall make an order directing the parties to proceed to arbitration in accordance with the terms of the contract.

37-16-6. Trial upon evidence of substantial issue.

If evidentiary facts are set forth raising a substantial issue as to the making of the contract or the failure to comply therewith, the court, or the judge thereof, shall proceed immediately to the trial of the issues. Whenever an immediate trial is ordered, the order therefor shall provide that, if the court finds that a written contract providing for arbitration was made, and that there was a failure to comply therewith, the parties shall proceed with the arbitration in accordance with the terms of the contract and the order shall provide that if the court finds that there was no contract or failure to comply with the contract, then the proceeding shall be dismissed.

37-16-7. Method of appointing arbitrators or umpire.

If in the contract providing for arbitration, provision is made for a method of naming or appointing an arbitrator or arbitrators or an umpire, that method shall be followed, but if no method be provided therein, then the parties to the contract shall agree to the method of naming or appointing an arbitrator or arbitrators or an umpire and if the parties shall fail to agree, then the court or the judge thereof upon application of either of the parties after due notice to the other party shall appoint an arbitrator to hear the dispute.

37-16-8. Scheduling and notice of arbitration hearing - Adjournment.

Subject to the terms of the contract, if any are specified therein, the arbitrators selected as prescribed in this chapter must appoint a time and place for the hearing of the matters submitted to them, and must cause notice thereof to be given to each of the parties. They, or a majority of them, may adjourn the hearing from time to time upon the application of either party for good cause shown or upon their own motion, but not beyond the day fixed if a date in the contract, if any, for rendering their award, unless the time so fixed is extended by the written consent of the parties to the contract or their attorney, or the parties have continued with the arbitration without objection to such adjournment.

37-16-9. Power of court to direct prompt hearing.

The court shall have power to direct the arbitrators to proceed promptly with the hearing and determination of the dispute, claim, or matter in question.

37-16-10. Arbitrator's oath - Waiver.

Before hearing any testimony, arbitrators selected as prescribed in this chapter must be sworn, by an officer authorized by law to administer an oath, faithfully and fairly to hear and examine the claim, dispute, or matter in question and to make a just award according to the best of their understanding, unless the oath is waived by the Rev. 08/2018

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written consent of the parties to the contract or their attorneys or the parties have continued with the arbitration without objection to the failure of the arbitrators to take the oath.

37-16-11. Powers of arbitrators.

The arbitrator or arbitrators selected as prescribed in this chapter, may require any person to attend before them as a witness; and he or she and they have, and each of them has, the same powers with respect to all the proceedings before them which are conferred upon a board or a member of a board authorized by law to hear testimony. All the arbitrators selected as prescribed in this chapter must meet together and hear all the allegations and proofs of the parties; but an award by a majority of them is valid.

37-16-12. Fees.

In any proceeding under this chapter, unless the parties agree as to the arbitrator's or arbitrators' fees, such fees shall be fixed by the court or the judges thereof who shall require the payment equally by both parties of the arbitrators' fees.

37-16-13. Validity of awards.

An award shall be valid and enforceable according to its terms and under the provisions of this chapter, without previous adjudication of the existence of a contract to arbitrate, subject, nevertheless, to the provisions of this section:

- (a) A party who has participated in any of the proceedings before the arbitrator or arbitrators may object to the confirmation of the award only on one or more of the grounds hereinafter specified (provided that he did not continue with the arbitration with notice of the facts or defects upon which his objection is based) because of a failure to comply with 37-16-8 or with 37-16-10 or because of the improper manner of the selection of the arbitrators.
- (b) A party who has not participated in any of the proceedings had before the arbitrator or arbitrators and who has not made or been served with an application to compel arbitration under 37-16-5 may also put in issue the making of the contract or the failure to comply therewith, either by a motion for a stay of the arbitration or in opposition to the confirmation of the award. If a notice shall have been personally served upon such party of an intention to conduct the arbitration pursuant to the provisions of a contract specified in the notice, then the issues specified in this subdivision may be raised only by a motion for a stay of the arbitration, notice of which motion must be served within ten (10) days after the service of the notice of intention to arbitrate. The notice must state in substance that unless within ten (10) days after its service, the party served therewith shall serve a notice of motion to stay the arbitration, he or she shall thereafter be barred from putting in issue the making of the contract or the failure to comply therewith. The arbitration hearing shall be adjourned upon service of the notice pending the determination of the motion. Where the opposing party, either on a motion for a stay or in opposition to the confirmation of an award, sets forth evidentiary facts raising a substantial issue as to the making of the contract or the failure to comply therewith, an immediate trial of the same shall be had. In the event that the party is unsuccessful he or she may, nevertheless, participate in the arbitration if the same is still being carried on.

37-16-14. Arbitration under chapter deemed special proceeding - Jurisdiction of superior court.

Arbitration of a claim, dispute, or matter in question under a contract described in this chapter shall be deemed a special proceeding, of which the superior court for Providence County shall have jurisdiction.

37-16-15. Procedure for hearing of application to court.

Any application to the court, or a judge thereof, hereunder shall be made and heard in the manner provided by law for the making and hearing of motions, except as otherwise herein expressly provided.

37-16-16. Form of award.

To entitle the award to be enforced, as prescribed in this chapter, it must be in writing; and, within the time limited in the contract, if any, subscribed by the arbitrator or arbitrators making it and either filed in the office of the clerk of the court having jurisdiction as provided in 37-16-14 or delivered to one of the parties or his or her attorney.

37-16-17. Court order confirming award.

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At any time within one year after the award is made, as prescribed in 37-16-16, any party to the contract by the terms of which arbitration was had, may apply to the court having jurisdiction as provided in 37-16-14 for an order confirming the award. Thereupon the court must grant the order unless the award is vacated, modified, or corrected, as prescribed in 37-16-18 and 37-16-19 or unless the award is unenforceable under the provisions of 37-16-13. Notice of the motion must be served upon the adverse party or parties or his or her or their attorneys, as prescribed by law for service of notice of a motion upon an attorney in an action in the same court.

37-16-18. Court order vacating award.

In any of the following cases, the court must make an order vacating the award, upon the application of any party to the controversy which was arbitrated

- (a) When the award was procured by fraud.
- (b) Where the arbitrator or arbitrators exceeded their powers, or so imperfectly executed them, that a mutual, final, and definite award upon the subject matter submitted was not made.
- (c) If there was no valid contract, and the objection has been raised under the conditions set forth in 37-16-13.

37-16-19. Rehearing after vacation of award.

Where an award is vacated, the court, in its discretion may direct a rehearing either before the same arbitrator or arbitrators or before a new arbitrator or arbitrators to be chosen in the manner provided in the contract for the selection of the original arbitrator or arbitrators or as provided for in 37-16-7 and any provision limiting the time in which the arbitrator or arbitrators may make a decision shall be deemed applicable to the new arbitration and to commence from the date of the court's order.

37-16-20. Court order modifying or correcting award.

In any of the following cases, the court must make an order modifying or correcting the award, upon the application of any party to the contract by the terms of which the arbitration was held.

- (a) Where there was an evident miscalculation of figures or an evident mistake in the description of any persons, thing, or property referred to in the award.
- (b) Where the arbitrator or arbitrators have awarded upon a matter not submitted to them, not affecting the merits of the decision upon the matter submitted.
- (c) Where the award is imperfect in a matter of form not affecting the merits of the controversy, and, if it had been a master's report the defect could have been amended or disregarded by the court.

37-16-21. Notice of motion to vacate, modify, or correct an award.

Notice of a motion to vacate, modify, or correct an award must be served upon all adverse parties, or their attorneys, within sixty (60) days after the award is filed or delivered, as prescribed by law for service of notice of a motion upon an attorney in an action; except that in opposition to a motion to confirm an award, any of the grounds specified in 37-16-18 may be set up. For the purpose of the motion, any judge who might make an order, to stay the proceedings in an action brought in the same court may make an order, to be served with the notice of motion, staying the proceedings of an adverse party or parties to enforce the award.

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37-16-22. Entry of judgment - Costs.

Upon the granting of an order confirming, modifying, or correcting an award, judgment may be entered in conformity therewith, except as is otherwise prescribed in this chapter. Costs of the application and of the proceedings subsequent thereto, not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and disbursements, may be awarded by the court in its discretion. If awarded, the amount thereof must be included in the judgment.

37-16-23. Filing of papers after judgment.

- (a) Immediately after entering judgment, the clerk must attach together and file the following papers:
 - (1) The contract, and each written extension of the time, if any, within which to make the award.
 - (2) The award.
 - (3) Each notice, affidavit or other paper used upon an application to confirm, modify, or correct the award, and a copy of each order of the court upon the application.
 - (4) A copy of the judgment.
- (b) The judgment may be docketed as if it was rendered in an action.

37-16-24. Effect of judgment.

The judgment so entered has the same force and effect, in all respects as, and is subject to all the provisions of law relating to a judgment in an action. The judgment may be enforced as if it had been rendered in an action in the court in which it is entered.

37-16-25. Appeals.

An appeal may be taken from an order made in a proceeding under this chapter, or from a judgment entered upon an award. The proceedings upon the appeal, including the judgment thereupon and the enforcement of the judgment, are governed by the provisions of statute and rule regulating appeal in actions as far as they are applicable.

37-16-26. Satisfaction of award.

- (a) An award which requires the payment of a sum of money by a city, town, or the state or any body described in 37-16-2 created or organized by or through the authority of any of them, shall be satisfied to the extent of payment of that sum by payment thereof to the party to whom the award was made by the treasurer or officer exercising the duties of a treasurer thereof from its general funds.
- (b) An award which requires the payment of a sum of money to a city, a town, or the state or any body described in 37-16-2 created or organized by or through the authority of any of them shall be satisfied to the extent of payment of that sum by payment thereof to its treasurer or officer exercising the duties of a treasurer thereof who shall deposit the same in its general funds.

37-16-27. Application to sureties.

- (a) If a contractor principal on a bond furnished to guarantee performance or payment on a construction contract and the claimant are parties to a written contract with a provision to submit to arbitration any controversy thereafter arising under the contract, or subject to arbitration as provided in 37-16-2(b), the arbitration provisions shall apply to the surety for all disputes involving questions of the claimant's right of recovery against the surety. Either the claimant, the contractor principal, or surety may demand arbitration in accordance with the written contract or as provided in 37-16-2(b) if applicable in one arbitration proceeding, provided that the provisions of 37-16-3 shall be applicable to any such demand for arbitration. The arbitration award shall decide all controversies subject to arbitration between the claimant, on the one hand, and the contractor principal and surety on the other hand, including all questions involving liability of the contractor principal and surety on the bond, but a claimant must file suit for recovery against the surety within the time limits set forth in 37-12-2 and 37-12-5. The arbitration shall be in accordance with this chapter and the court shall enter judgment thereon as provided therein.
- (b) The arbitrator or arbitrators, if more than one, shall make findings of fact as to the compliance with the requirements for recovery against the surety, and those findings of fact shall be a part of the award binding on all parties to the arbitration.

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CHAPTER 55 AWARD OF MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS

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45-55-1. Legislative findings.

It is hereby declared that a need exists to establish a uniform system for the award of contracts by municipalities, utilizing open cooperative bids.

45-55-2. Method of source selection.

Except as otherwise authorized by law, all municipal contracts shall be awarded by:

- (1) Competitive sealed bidding, pursuant to 45-55-5;
- (2) Competitive negotiations, pursuant to 45-55-6;
- (3) Non-competitive negotiations, pursuant to 45-55-7 and 45-55-8;
- (4) Small purchase procedures, pursuant to 45-55-9.
- (5) Qualification based selection (QBS) process for architects/engineers pursuant to 45-55-8.1

45-55-3. Purchasing agent - Appointment - Duties.

Within each city or town or quasi public agency there shall be designated a person or persons to act as purchasing officer to exercise the powers and duties as set forth in this chapter.

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45-55-4. Definitions.

The words defined in this section have the following meanings whenever they appear in this chapter, unless the context in which they are used clearly requires a different meaning or a different definition is prescribed for a particular section, group of sections or provision.

- (1) "Business" means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity through which business is conducted.
- (2) "Change order" means a written order signed by the purchasing agent, or contractor directing or allowing the contractor to make changes which the changes clause of the contract authorizes the purchasing agent or contractor to order without the consent of the contractor or purchasing agent.
- (3) "Construction" means the process of building, altering, repairing, improving, or demolishing any public structures or building, or other public improvements of any kind to any public real property. It does not include the routine maintenance or repair of existing structures, buildings, or real property performed by salaried employees of the municipality in the usual course of their job.
- (4) "Contract" means all types of agreements, including grants and orders, for the purchase or disposal of supplies, services, construction, or any other item. It includes awards; contracts of a fixed-price, cost, cost-plus-a-fixed-fee, or incentive type; contracts providing for the issuance of job or task orders; leases; letter contracts, purchase orders, and construction management contracts. It also includes supplemental agreements with respect to any of the preceding. "Contract" does not include labor contracts with employees of the municipality.
- (5) "Contract modification" means any written alteration in the specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, contract period, price, quantity, or other contract provisions of any existing contract, whether accomplished by unilateral action in accordance with a contract provision, or by mutual action of the parties to the contract. It includes bilateral actions, as supplemental agreements, and unilateral actions, as change orders, administrative changes, notices of termination, and notices of the exercise of a contract option.
 - (6) "Contractor" means any person having a contract with a municipality.
 - (8) "Data" means recorded information, regardless of form or characteristic.
 - (8) "Designee" means a duly authorized representative of a person holding a superior position.
- (9) "Employee" means an individual drawing a salary from a municipality, whether elected or not, and any non-salaried individual performing personal services for any municipality.
 - (10) "May" means permissive.
 - (11) "Municipality" means the individual cities and towns of the state of Rhode Island.
 - (12) "Negotiation" means contracting by either of the methods described in §§ 45-55-6, 45-55-7, and 45-55-8.
 - (13) "Person" means any business, individual, organization, or group of individuals.
- (14) "Procurement" means the purchasing, buying, renting, leasing, or otherwise obtaining of any supplies, services, or construction. It also includes all functions that pertain to the obtaining of any supply, service, or construction item, including description of requirements, selection and solicitation of sources, preparation and award of contract, and all phases of contract administration.
- (15) "Purchasing officer" means the person designated in each municipality or quasi public agency pursuant to section 45-55-3.
- (16) "Regulations" means rules and regulations adopted by the individual cities or towns, concerning the implementation of the provisions of this chapter.

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- (17) "Services" means the rendering, by a contractor, of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of a specific end product, other than reports which are merely incidental to the required performance of services. "Services" does not include labor contracts with employees of governmental agencies.
- (18) "Shall" means imperative.
- (19) "Supplemental agreement" means any contract modification which is accomplished by the mutual action of the parties.
- (20) "Supplies" means all property, including, but not limited, to leases of real property, printing and insurance, except land or permanent interest in land.

45-55-5. Competitive sealed bidding.

- (a) Contracts exceeding the amount provided by 45-55-9 shall be awarded by competitive bidding unless they are professional engineering/architectural services pursuant to 45-55-8.1 and it is determined in writing that this method is not practicable. Factors to be considered in determining whether competitive sealed bidding is practicable shall include whether:
- (1) Specifications can be prepared that permit award on the basis of either the lowest qualified bid price or the lowest qualified evaluated bid price; and
- (2) The available sources, the time and place of performance, and other relevant circumstances as are appropriate for the use of competitive sealed bidding.
- (b) The invitation for bids shall state whether award shall be made on the basis of the lowest bid price or the lowest evaluated or responsive bid price. If the latter basis is used, the objective measurable criteria to be utilized shall be stated in the invitation for bids, if available.
- (c) Adequate public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given a sufficient time prior to the date stated in the 0020 notice for the opening of bids. Notice may include publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the state as determined by the purchasing officer for the municipality not less than seven (7) days nor more than twenty-one (21) days before the date set for opening of the bids. The purchasing officer may make a written determination that the twenty-one (21) day limitation needs to be waived. The written determination shall state the reason why the twenty-one (21) day limitation is being waived and shall state the number of days, giving a minimum and maximum, before the date set for the opening of bids when public notice is to be given.
- (4) Bids shall be opened publicly in full view of the public at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. Each bid, together with the name of the bidder, shall be recorded and an abstract made available for public inspection. Subsequent to the awarding of the bid, all documents pertinent to the awarding of the bid shall be made available and open to public inspection and retained in the bid file.
- (5) The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the responsive and responsible bidder whose bid is either the lowest bid price, or lowest evaluated or responsive bid price.
- (6) Correction or withdrawal of bids may be allowed only to the extent permitted by regulations issued by the purchasing officer.

45-55-5.1. Business exempt.

The North Kingstown Bus Contractors Association and the Scituate School Bus Owners Club shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

45-55-5.2. Town of North Smithfield - Exemption.

The town of North Smithfield is exempt from the provisions of this chapter with regard to the contracting for fire and rescue services with the Primrose Volunteer Fire Department and/or North Smithfield Fire Department and/or their respective successors and assigns.

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45-55-6. Competitive negotiation.

- (a) When, under regulations adopted by the city or town council, the purchasing agent determines in writing that the use of competitive sealed bidding is not practicable, and except as provided in 45-55-8, 45-55-9, and 45-55-10 a contract may be awarded by competitive negotiation.
- (b) Adequate public notice of the request for proposals shall be given in the same manner as provided in 45-55-5(c).
- (c) Contracts may be competitively negotiated when it is determined, in writing, by the purchasing agent that the bid prices received by competitive sealed bidding either are unreasonable as to all or part of the requirements, or were not independently reached in open competition, and for which:
 - (1) Each competitive bidder has been notified of the intention to negotiate and is given reasonable opportunity to negotiate; and
 - (2) The negotiated price is lower than the lowest rejected bid by any competitive bidder; and
 - (3) The negotiated price is the lowest negotiated price offered by a competitive offeror.
- (d) The request for proposals shall indicate the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors.
- (e) Award shall be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the municipality taking into consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals.
- (f) Written or oral discussions shall be conducted with all responsible offerors who submit proposals determined, in writing, to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. Discussions shall not disclose any information derived from proposals submitted by competing offerors. Discussions need not be conducted:
 - (1) With respect to prices, where such prices are fixed by law or regulation, except that consideration shall be given to competitive terms and conditions; or
 - (2) Where time of delivery or performance will not permit discussions; or
 - (3) Where it can be clearly demonstrated and documented from the existence of adequate competition or accurate prior cost experience with the particular supply, service, or construction item, that acceptance of an initial offer without discussion would result in fair and reasonable prices, and the request for proposals notifies all offerors of the possibility that award may be made on the basis of the initial offers.

45-55-7. Negotiations after unsuccessful competitive sealed bidding.

- (a) In the event that all bids submitted pursuant to competitive sealed bidding under 45-55-5 result in bid prices in excess of the funds available for the purchase, and the purchasing officer determines in writing:
 - (1) That there are no additional funds available from any source so as to permit an award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and
 - (2) The best interest of the municipality will not permit the delay attendant to a re-solicitation under revised specifications, or for revised quantities, under competitive sealed bidding as provided in 45-55-5, then a negotiated award may be made be made as stated in subsection (b) or (c) of this section.
- (b) Where there is more than one bidder, competitive negotiations pursuant to 45-55-6, shall be conducted with the three (3) (two (2) if there are only two (2)) bidders determined in writing, to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidders to the competitive sealed bid invitation. Competitive negotiations shall be conducted under the following restrictions:
 - (1) If discussions pertaining to the revision of the specifications or quantities are held with any potential offeror, all other potential offerors shall be afforded an opportunity to take part in the discussions; or

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- (2) A request for proposals, based upon revised specifications or quantities, shall be issued as promptly as possible, shall provide for an expeditious response to the revised requirements, and shall be awarded upon the basis of the lowest bid price, or lowest evaluated bid price submitted by any responsive and responsible offeror.
- (c) When after competitive sealed bidding, it is determined in writing, that there is only one responsive and responsible bidder, a noncompetitive negotiated award may be made with such bidder in accordance with 45-55-8

45-55-8. Sole source procurement and emergency procurements.

- (a) A contract may be awarded for a supply, service, or construction item without competition when, under published regulations, the purchasing officer determines, in writing, that there is only one source for the required supply, service, or construction item.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the purchasing agent may make or authorize others to make emergency procurements when there exists a threat to public health, welfare, or safety under emergency conditions as defined in regulations or where the procurement will be in the best interest of the city as established by properly promulgated rules and regulations; provided, that such emergency procurements shall be made with such competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written determination of the basis for the emergency, and for the selection of the particular contractor, shall be included in the contract file.

45-55-8.1. Qualification based selection of architects and engineers.

When the purchasing agent determines that the city or town needs the services of a professional architect or engineer, the purchasing agent shall follow the qualification based selection process for the procurement of architectural and engineering consulting services.

45-55-9. Small purchases.

Procurements, not to exceed an aggregate amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for construction and five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for all other purchases may be made in accordance with small purchase regulations promulgated by the municipality. These amounts shall be increased or decreased annually hereafter at the same rate as the Boston Regional Consumer Price Index. Procurement requirements shall not be artificially divided so as to constitute a small purchase under this section. A municipality may further reduce the aggregate purchase amount, as provided for in this section by ordinance.

45-55-10. Cancellation of invitation for bids and requests for proposals.

An invitation for bids, a request for proposals, or other solicitation may be canceled, or all bids or proposals rejected, if it is determined, in writing, that such action if taken is not in the best interest of the municipality and approved by the chief purchasing officer.

45-55-11. Responsibilities of bidders and offerors.

- (1) A written determination of responsibility of a bidder or offeror shall be made and it shall be made in accordance with regulations issued by the municipality.
 - A reasonable inquiry to determine the responsibility of a bidder or offeror may be conducted. The failure of a bidder or offeror to promptly supply information in connection with a reasonable inquiry may be grounds for a determination of non-responsibility with respect to a bidder or offeror.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided, by law, information furnished by a bidder or offeror pursuant to this section may not be disclosed outside of the purchasing department administering the contract without prior written consent of the bidder or offeror.

45-55-12. Prequalification of contractors - General.

The municipality may provide for prequalification of suppliers as responsible prospective contractors for particular types of supplies, services, and construction. Municipalities which choose to provide for prequalification of suppliers shall adopt regulations for prequalification in the same manner provided for in the adoption of ordinances in the manner provided for in the legislative or home rule charter of the municipality. Solicitation mailing lists of

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potential contractors of supplies, services, and construction shall include but need not be limited to prequalified contractors. Prequalification shall not foreclose a written determination:

- (1) Between the time of the bid opening or receipt of offers and the making of an award, that a prequalified supplier is not responsible; or
- (2) That a supplier who is not prequalified at the time of bid opening or receipt of offers is responsible.

45-55-13. Exclusion of state mandated costs.

The provisions of 45-13-7 through 45-13-10 do not apply to this section.

45-55-13.1. Exclusion of multi-cities or towns insurance corporations and cooperative risk management programs.

The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to entities organized pursuant to section 45-5-20.1. Those entities are exempt from all of the provisions of this chapter.

45-55-13.2. Exclusion of multi-cities or towns energy aggregation programs.

The provisions of this chapter do not apply to entities organized for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric power pursuant to § 39-3-1.1, or energy or energy related services. Those entities are exempt from all provisions of this chapter.

45-55-13.3. Exclusion of multi-school district combined purchasing consortia.

The provisions of this chapter do not apply to purchases and contracts entered into by those consortia established pursuant to § 16-2-9.2, and such entities shall be exempt from all provisions of this chapter.

45-55-14. Staff consultants.

The procurement of the service of an attorney, physician or dentist by a municipality, is exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

45-55-15. Severability.

If any one or more sections, clauses, sentences or parts of this chapter are for any reason be adjudged unconstitutional or otherwise invalid in any court, that judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this chapter but shall be confined in its operation to the specific provisions so held unconstitutional or invalid and the inapplicability or invalidity of any section, clause or provisions of this chapter in any one or more instances or circumstances shall not be taken to affect or prejudice in any way its applicability or validity in any other instance.

45-55-16. Prohibition against the use of lead based paints.

When purchasing paint products or contracting or subcontracting for painting, construction, improvement, completion, or repair of any public buildings, public road, public bridge, or public construction, all municipalities, as defined by 45-55-4(11), shall be prohibited from the use of lead based paint.

45-55-17. Penalties.

Any person who knowingly and intentionally violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

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Attachment B

EPA Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program – DBE Forms



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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 DBE¹ subcontractor² 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	No. (if known)	Point of Contact	
Address					
Telephone No.	6		Email Address		
Prime Contrac	tor Name		Issuing/Fundir	ng Entity:	
Contract Item Number		of Work Received from tonstruction, Services, Eq			Amount Received by Prime Contractor

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

EPA FORM 6100-2 (DBE Subcontractor Participation Form)

¹ 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.

² 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.



Subcontractor Name

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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program DBE Subcontractor Performance Form

This form is intended to capture the DBE¹ subcontractor's² 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.

Project Name

Bid/ Proposal No.	Assistance Agreeme	ent ID No. (if	known)	Point of Contact	
Address					
Telephone No.		Emai	Email Address		
Prime Contractor Name		Issuir	ng/Fundir	ng Entity:	
	Description of Work nvolving Construction				Price of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor
					=
DBE Certified By: DOT	SBA	Meets/exce	eds EPA c	ertification standar	ds?
Other:		YES	_NO	Unknown	

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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.



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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 DBE¹ subcontractors² 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 I		No. (if known)	Point of Co	ontact		
Address				2		
Telephone No.		0.000	Email Address			
Issuing/Funding Entity:			72			
I have identified potential DBE certified subcontractors			YES			NO
If yes, please complete the tabl	e below. If no,	please explai	in:			
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Subcontractor Name/ Company Name	Com	pany Addres	ss/Phone/Ema	11	Amt	DBE Certified?
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EPA FORM 6100-4 (DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form)

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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.

Attachment C

Good Faith Efforts to Achieve DBE Participation

Good Faith Efforts

What is the Purpose of the Good Faith Efforts?

The Good Faith Efforts are methods employed by all EPA financial assistance agreement recipients to ensure that disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs) have the opportunity to compete for procurements funded by EPA financial assistance funds.

What Are the Good Faith Efforts?

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

What are the New Contract Administration Provisions?

When the DBE rule goes into effect, there are a number of new provisions designed to prevent unfair practices that adversely affect DBEs. Those provisions are as follows:

- A recipient must require its prime contractor to pay its subcontractor for satisfactory performance no more than 30 days from the prime contractor's receipt of payment from the recipient.
- A recipient must be notified in writing by its prime contractor prior to any

termination of a DBE subcontractor for convenience by the prime contractor.

- If a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under the subcontract for any reason, the recipient must require the prime contractor to employ the Six Good Faith Efforts if soliciting a replacement subcontractor.
- A recipient must require its prime contractor to employ the Six Good Faith Efforts even if the prime contractor has achieved its fair share objectives.

What are the New Forms Associated With the New Contract Administration Provisions?

EPA Form 6100-2 - DBE Program Subcontractor Participation Form. This form gives a DBE subcontractor the opportunity to describe the work the DBE subcontractor received from the prime contractor, how much the DBE subcontractor was paid and any other concerns the DBE subcontractor might have.

EPA Form 6100-3 - DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form. This form captures an intended subcontractor's description of work to be performed for the prime contractor and the price of the work submitted to the prime.

EPA Form 6100-4 – DBE Program Subcontractor Utilization Form. This form captures the prime's intended use of an identified DBE subcontractor, and the estimated dollar amount of the subcontract.

Form	Requirement	Provided By	Completed By	Submitted To
EPA Form 6100-2	Recipients required to have prime contractors provide form to Subcontractors	Prime Contractors	DBE Subcontractors	EPA DBE Coordinator
EPA Form 6100-3	Recipients required to have prime contractors provide form to Subcontractors	Prime Contractors	DBE Subcontractors	Recipients as part of bid or proposal package
EPA Form 6100-4	Recipients required to have prime contractors complete the form	Recipients	Prime Contractors	Recipients as part of bid or proposal package

Attachment D

State of Rhode Island Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan



State of Rhode Island Division of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (DEDI) Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan

Company Name:								
Representative's Name who admi	nisters MBE Progra	nm:						
Street Address:								
City, State, Zip: Telephone:								
Email:	Proj	ect Location:						
Bid or Project #:	r Project #: Date Bid Opened:							
Description of Work:								
Contract Value:	MBE % Assigned:							
Total # of All Subcontractors/Sup	pliers used:	# of MBE Subcontractors/Suppliers used:						
List All Subcontractors/Suppliers	Consultants/Indepe	ndent Contractors – Total Dollar Am	ounts – Scope of Work:					
Subcontractor / Supplier	Dollar Award	Scope/Description of Work	RI Certified M/WBE Yes/No					
firms must self-perform 100% of the in order to receive participation created obtained from an MBE certified as MBE/WBE certified as a manufacture of the interest of the inte	he work with their of edit. Vendors may of a regular dealer/sup- turer. For firms cer	I by the RI MBE Compliance Office own forces or subcontract to another count 60% of expenditures for mate pplier, and 100% of such expendituratified as a broker, you may receive I curement of the good and materials,	RI certified MBE/WBE rials and supplies res obtained from an MBE participation credit					
The above referenced contract will of Administration or its designee.	not be released unt	til this plan has been approved by th	e Director of the Department					
	•	rms, please call the Minority Busined MBE firms is also located at www						
Signature of Authorized Agent of Business:		Date:						
Send Completed Form to:	Division of Equi	Brody, Esq. Administrator – MB ty, Diversity, and Inclusion (DED ess Enterprise Compliance Office	<u> </u>					

One Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor Providence, RI 02908 Phone: (401) 574-8670 Kate.Brody@doa.ri.gov

Attachment E

Office of Diversity, Equity, and Opportunity Minority Business Enterprise Project Reporting Form Office of Diversity, Equity and Opportunity (ODEO) MBE Compliance Office 1 Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor Providence, RI 02908

(401) 574-8670 www.mbe.ri.gov

Pursuant to RIGL 37-14.1 as well as the regulations promulgated thereto, the MBE Compliance Office requires that you complete the following table. Please note that these figures will be verified with the MBEs identified. If there are outstanding issues, such as retainage or a dispute, please indicate and attach supporting documentation for same. Also note that copies of invoice and cancelled checks for payment to all MBE subcontractors and suppliers are required.

Contractor/Vend									
Project Name & Location: Original Prime Contract Amount: \$			Current Prime Contract Amount: \$				% Complete:		
MBE/WBE Subcontractor	Original Contract Amount	Change Orders	Revised Contract Value	% Completed To Date	Amount Paid To Date	Amount Due	Retainage %	Retainage Amount	Explanation
I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided in this verification form and supporting documents is true and correct. Signature Date									
Prin Notary Certificate:	nted Name								
Sworn before me thi	is da	ny of	, 20						
Notary Sign	ature			Commis	ssion Expires				

Attachment F

State Revolving Fund Sign



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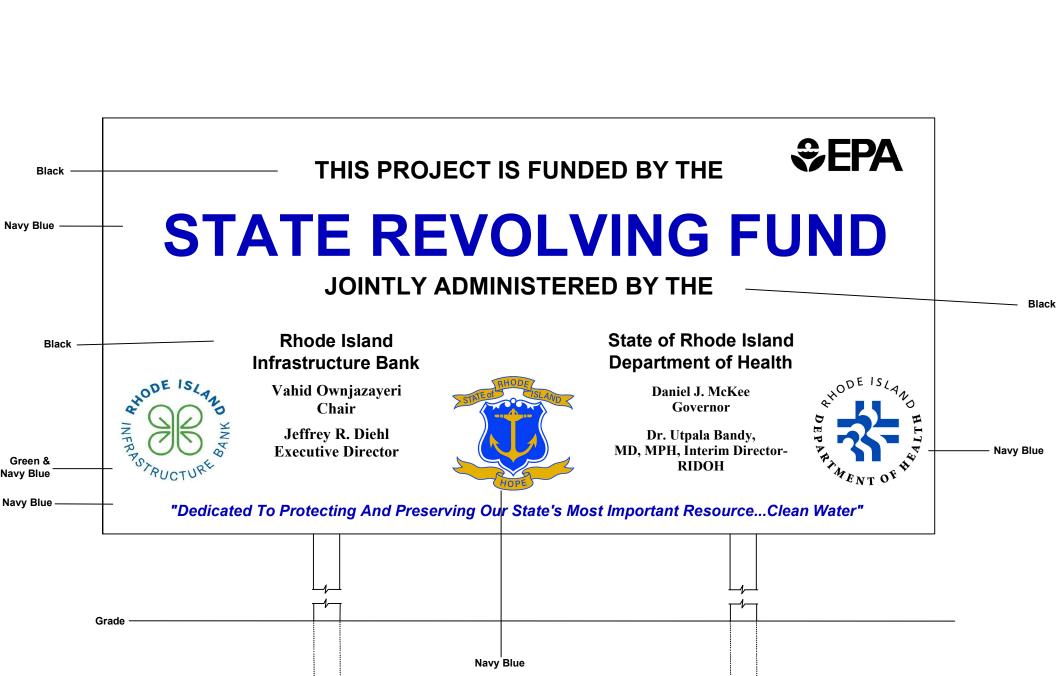
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Attachment G

Davis Bacon Wage Rates/Questionnaire

DAVIS-BACON PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS

(a) GENERAL CONTRACT AND SUBCONTRACT PROVISIONS

For any contract in excess of \$2,000 which is entered into for the actual construction, alteration and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of a treatment work under the CWSRF or a construction project under the DWSRF financed in whole or in part from Federal funds or in accordance with guarantees of a Federal agency or financed from funds obtained by pledge of any contract of a Federal agency to make a loan, grant or annual contribution (except where a different meaning is expressly indicated), and which is subject to the labor standards provisions of any of the acts listed in §5.1 or the FY 2010 appropriation, the following clauses shall be inserted in full:

(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.

Wage determinations may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Labor's website, www.dol.gov.

(ii)(A) The Owner, on behalf of the 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 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 Owner 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 Owner 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 action 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 Owner 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 questions, 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 and so advise the State award official or will notify the State award official 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 Owner, 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 Owner, 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 Owner 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 submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly 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 owner 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 Owner.

- (B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:
- (1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under §5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under §5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;
- (2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;
- (3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.
- (C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH–347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section.
- (D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.
- (iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the 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 (write in the name of the Federal agency) may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

(7) Contract Termination: Debarment

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

(8) Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements

All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

(9) Disputes Concerning Labor Standards

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

(b) CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

For 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, the following clauses set forth in paragraphs (b) (1), (2), (3) and (4) of this section shall be inserted in full. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required in Section (a), 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 (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for Unpaid Wages and Liquidated Damages

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

(c) MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

In addition to the clauses contained in Section (a), 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 §5.1 the contractor or subcontractor shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records during the course of the work and shall preserve them for a period of three years from the completion of the contract for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, working on the contract. Such records shall contain the name and address of each such employee, social security number, correct classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. The records to be maintained under this paragraph shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Owner, the State, EPA and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.

(d) COMPLIANCE VERIFICATION

- (1) The Owner 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 Owner 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.
- (2) The Owner 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 Owner 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. Owners 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. Owners shall immediately conduct necessary interviews in response to an alleged violation of the prevailing wage requirements. All interviews shall be conducted in confidence.
- (3) The Owner 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 Owner 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 Owner 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. Owners 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 Owner shall verify evidence of fringe benefit plans and payments thereunder by contractors and subcontractors who claim credit for fringe benefit contributions.
- (4) The Owner 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.

(5) Owners 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 http://www.dol.gov/esa/contacts/whd/america2.htm.

Attachment H

Debarment & Suspension (Executive Order 12549) and Certification

DEBARMENT & SUSPENSION

Executive Order 12549--Debarment and Suspension

Source: The provisions of Executive Order 12549 of Feb. 18, 1986, appear at 51 FR 6370, 3 CFR, 1986 Comp., p. 189, unless otherwise noted.

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and laws of the United States of America, and in order to curb fraud, waste, and abuse in Federal programs, increase agency accountability, and ensure consistency among agency regulations concerning debarment and suspension of participants in Federal programs, it is hereby ordered that:

- **Section 1.** (a) To the extent permitted by law and subject to the limitations in Section 1(c), Executive departments and agencies shall participate in a system for debarment and suspension from programs and activities involving Federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits. Debarment or suspension of a participant in a program by one agency shall have government-wide effect.
- (b) Activities covered by this Order include but are not limited to: grants, cooperative agreements, contracts of assistance, loans, and loan guarantees.
- (c) This Order does not cover procurement programs and activities, direct Federal statutory entitlements or mandatory awards, direct awards to foreign governments or public international organizations, benefits to an individual as a personal entitlement, or Federal employment.

Sec. 2. To the extent permitted by law, Executive departments and agencies shall:

- (a) Follow government-wide criteria and government-wide minimum due process procedures when they act to debar or suspend participants in affected programs.
- (b) Send to the agency designated pursuant to Section 5 identifying information concerning debarred and suspended participants in affected programs, participants who have agreed to exclusion from participation, and participants declared ineligible under applicable law, including Executive Orders. This information shall be included in the list to be maintained pursuant to Section 5.
- (c) Not allow a party to participate in any affected program if any Executive department or agency has debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded (to the extent specified in the exclusion agreement) that party from participation in an affected program. An agency may grant an exception permitting a debarred, suspended, or excluded party to participate in a particular transaction upon a written determination by the agency head or authorized designee stating the reason(s) for deviating from this Presidential policy. However, I intend that exceptions to this policy should be granted only infrequently.
- **Sec. 3.** Executive departments and agencies shall issue regulations governing their implementation of this Order that shall be consistent with the guidelines issued under Section 6. Proposed regulations shall be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review within four months of the date of the guidelines issued under Section 6. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget may return for reconsideration proposed regulations that the Director believes are inconsistent with the guidelines. Final regulations shall be published within twelve months of the date of the guidelines.

Sec. 4. There is hereby constituted the Interagency Committee on Debarment and Suspension, which shall monitor implementation of this Order. The Committee shall consist of representatives of agencies designated by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Sec. 5. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall designate a Federal agency to perform the following functions: maintain a current list of all individuals and organizations excluded from program participation under this Order, periodically distribute the list to Federal agencies, and study the feasibility of automating the list; coordinate with the lead agency responsible for government-wide debarment and suspension of contractors; chair the Interagency Committee established by Section 4; and report periodically to the Director on implementation of this Order, with the first report due within two years of the date of the Order.

Sec. 6. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget is authorized to issue guidelines to Executive departments and agencies that govern which programs and activities are covered by this Order, prescribe government-wide criteria and government-wide minimum due process procedures, and set forth other related details for the effective administration of the guidelines.

Sec. 7. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall report to the President within three years of the date of this Order on Federal agency compliance with the Order, including the number of exceptions made under Section 2(c), and shall make recommendations as are appropriate further to curb fraud, waste, and abuse.

Implementation in the SRF Programs

A company or individual who is debarred or suspended cannot participate in primary and lower-tiered covered transactions. These transactions include SRF loans and contracts and subcontracts awarded with SRF loan funds.

Under 40 C.F.R. 32.510, the SRF agency must submit a certification stating that it shall not knowingly enter into any transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in the SRF program. This certification is reviewed by the EPA regional office before the capitalization grant is awarded.

A recipient of SRF assistance directly made available by capitalization grants must provide a certification that it will not knowingly enter into a contract with anyone who is ineligible under the regulations to participate in the project. Contractors on the project have to provide a similar certification prior to the award of a contract and subcontractors on the project have to provide the general contractor with the certification prior to the award of any subcontract.

In addition to actions taken under 40 C.F.R. Part 32, there are a wide range of other sanctions that can render a party ineligible to participate in the SRF program. Lists of debarred, suspended and otherwise ineligible parties are maintained by the General Services Administration and should be checked by the SRF agency and all recipients of funds directly made available by capitalization grants to ensure the accuracy of certifications.

Additional References

C 40 C.F.R. Part 32: EPA Regulations on Debarment and Suspension.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT & SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

In accordance with the Executive Order 12549, the prospective primary participant certifies to the best of his / her knowledge and belief, that its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offence 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 or records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification.
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application / proposal had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause of default.
- e. Acknowledge that all sub-contractors selected for this project must be in compliance with paragraphs (1) (a-d) of this certification.

Name and Title of Authorized Agent	Date
Signature of Authorized Agent	
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Attachment I

EPA American Iron and Steel Memorandum



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF WATER

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Implementation of American Iron and Steel provisions of P.L. 113-76,

Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014

FROM:

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Regions I - X

P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Act), includes an "American Iron and Steel (AIS)" requirement in section 436 that requires Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) assistance recipients to use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States for projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works if the project is funded through an assistance agreement executed beginning January 17, 2014 (enactment of the Act), through the end of Federal Fiscal Year 2014.

Section 436 also sets forth certain circumstances under which EPA may waive the AIS requirement. Furthermore, the Act specifically exempts projects where engineering plans and specifications were approved by a State agency prior to January 17, 2014.

The approach described below explains how EPA will implement the AIS requirement. The first section is in the form of questions and answers that address the types of projects that must comply with the AIS requirement, the types of products covered by the AIS requirement, and compliance. The second section is a step-by-step process for requesting waivers and the circumstances under which waivers may be granted.

Implementation

The Act states:

Sec. 436. (a)(1) None of the funds made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund as authorized by title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.) or made available by a drinking water treatment revolving loan fund as authorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12) shall be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.

- (2) In this section, the term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials.
- (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (in this section referred to as the "Administrator") finds that—
 - (1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;
 - (2) iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or
 - (3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.
- (c) If the Administrator receives a request for a waiver under this section, the Administrator shall make available to the public on an informal basis a copy of the request and information available to the Administrator concerning the request, and shall allow for informal public input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall make the request and accompanying information available by electronic means, including on the official public Internet Web site of the Environmental Protection Agency.
- (d) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.
- (e) The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Clean and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds for carrying out

the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for management and oversight of the requirements of this section.

(f) This section does not apply with respect to a project if a State agency approves the engineering plans and specifications for the project, in that agency's capacity to approve such plans and specifications prior to a project requesting bids, prior to the date of the enactment of this Act.

The following questions and answers provide guidance for implementing and complying with the AIS requirements:

Project Coverage

1) What classes of projects are covered by the AIS requirement?

All treatment works projects funded by a CWSRF assistance agreement, and all public water system projects funded by a DWSRF assistance agreement, from the date of enactment through the end of Federal Fiscal Year 2014, are covered. The AIS requirements apply to the entirety of the project, no matter when construction begins or ends. Additionally, the AIS requirements apply to all parts of the project, no matter the source of funding.

2) Does the AIS requirement apply to nonpoint source projects or national estuary projects?

No. Congress did not include an AIS requirement for nonpoint source and national estuary projects unless the project can also be classified as a 'treatment works' as defined by section 212 of the Clean Water Act.

3) Are any projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works excluded from the AIS requirement?

Any project, whether a treatment works project or a public water system project, for which engineering plans and specifications were approved by the responsible state agency prior to January 17, 2014, is excluded from the AIS requirements.

4) What if the project does not have approved engineering plans and specifications but has signed an assistance agreement with a CWSRF or DWSRF program prior to January 17, 2014?

The AIS requirements do not apply to any project for which an assistance agreement was signed prior to January 17, 2014.

5) What if the project does not have approved engineering plans and specifications, but bids were advertised prior to January 17, 2014 and an assistance agreement was signed after January 17, 2014?

If the project does not require approved engineering plans and specifications, the bid advertisement date will count in lieu of the approval date for purposes of the exemption in section 436(f).

6) What if the assistance agreement that was signed prior to January 17, 2014, only funded a part of the overall project, where the remainder of the project will be funded later with another SRF loan?

If the original assistance agreement funded any construction of the project, the date of the original assistance agreement counts for purposes of the exemption. If the original assistance agreement was only for planning and design, the date of that assistance agreement will count for purposes of the exemption only if there is a written commitment or expectation on the part of the assistance recipient to fund the remainder of the project with SRF funds.

7) What if the assistance agreement that was signed prior to January 17, 2014, funded the first phase of a multi-phase project, where the remaining phases will be funded by SRF assistance in the future?

In such a case, the phases of the project will be considered a single project if all construction necessary to complete the building or work, regardless of the number of contracts or assistance agreements involved, are closely related in purpose, time and place. However, there are many situations in which major construction activities are clearly undertaken in phases that are distinct in purpose, time, or place. In the case of distinct phases, projects with engineering plans and specifications approval or assistance agreements signed prior to January 17, 2014 would be excluded from AIS requirements while those approved/signed on January 17, 2014, or later would be covered by the AIS requirements.

8) What if a project has split funding from a non-SRF source?

Many States intend to fund projects with "split" funding, from the SRF program and from State or other programs. Based on the Act language in section 436, which requires that American iron and steel products be used in any project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works receiving SRF funding between and including January 17, 2014 and September 30, 2014, any project that is funded in whole or in part with such funds must comply with the AIS requirement. A "project" consists of all construction necessary to complete the building or work regardless of the number of contracts or assistance agreements involved so long as all contracts and assistance agreements awarded are closely related in purpose, time and place. This precludes the intentional splitting of SRF projects into separate and smaller contracts or assistance agreements to avoid AIS coverage on some portion of a larger

project, particularly where the activities are integrally and proximately related to the whole. However, there are many situations in which major construction activities are clearly undertaken in separate phases that are distinct in purpose, time, or place, in which case, separate contracts or assistance agreement for SRF and State or other funding would carry separate requirements.

9) What about refinancing?

If a project began construction, financed from a non-SRF source, prior to January 17, 2014, but is refinanced through an SRF assistance agreement executed on or after January 17, 2014 and prior to October 1, 2014, AIS requirements will apply to all construction that occurs on or after January 17, 2014, through completion of construction, unless, as is likely, engineering plans and specifications were approved by a responsible state agency prior to January 17, 2014. There is no retroactive application of the AIS requirements where a refinancing occurs for a project that has completed construction prior to January 17, 2014.

10) Do the AIS requirements apply to any other EPA programs, besides the SRF program, such as the Tribal Set-aside grants or grants to the Territories and DC?

No, the AIS requirement only applies to funds made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund as authorized by title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.) or made available by a drinking water treatment revolving loan fund as authorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12)

Covered Iron and Steel Products

11) What is an iron or steel product?

For purposes of the CWSRF and DWSRF projects that must comply with the AIS requirement, an iron or steel product is one of the following made primarily of iron or steel that is permanently incorporated into the public water system or treatment works:

Lined or unlined pipes or fittings;

Manhole Covers;

Municipal Castings (defined in more detail below);

Hydrants:

Tanks:

Flanges:

Pipe clamps and restraints;

Valves;

Structural steel (defined in more detail below);

Reinforced precast concrete; and

Construction materials (defined in more detail below).

12) What does the term 'primarily iron or steel' mean?

'Primarily iron or steel' places constraints on the list of products above. For one of the listed products to be considered subject to the AIS requirements, it must be made of greater than 50% iron or steel, measured by cost. The cost should be based on the material costs

13) Can you provide an example of how to perform a cost determination?

For example, the iron portion of a fire hydrant would likely be the bonnet, body and shoe, and the cost then would include the pouring and casting to create those components. The other material costs would include non-iron and steel internal workings of the fire hydrant (i.e., stem, coupling, valve, seals, etc). However, the assembly of the internal workings into the hydrant body would not be included in this cost calculation. If one of the listed products is not made primarily of iron or steel, United States (US) provenance is not required. An exception to this definition is reinforced precast concrete, which is addressed in a later question.

14) If a product is composed of more than 50% iron or steel, but is not listed in the above list of items, must the item be produced in the US? Alternatively, must the iron or steel in such a product be produced in the US?

The answer to both question is no. Only items on the above list must be produced in the US. Additionally, the iron or steel in a non-listed item can be sourced from outside the US.

15) What is the definition of steel?

Steel means an alloy that includes at least 50 percent iron, between .02 and 2 percent carbon, and may include other elements. Metallic elements such as chromium, nickel, molybdenum, manganese, and silicon may be added during the melting of steel for the purpose of enhancing properties such as corrosion resistance, hardness, or strength. The definition of steel covers carbon steel, alloy steel, stainless steel, tool steel and other specialty steels.

16) What does 'produced in the United States' mean?

Production in the United States of the iron or steel products used in the project requires that all manufacturing processes, including application of coatings, must take place in the United States, with the exception of metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives. All manufacturing processes includes processes such as melting, refining, forming, rolling, drawing, finishing, fabricating and coating. Further, if a domestic iron and steel product is taken out of the US for any part of the manufacturing process, it becomes foreign source material. However, raw materials such as iron ore, limestone and iron and steel scrap are not covered by the AIS requirement, and the

material(s), if any, being applied as a coating are similarly not covered. Non-iron or steel components of an iron and steel product may come from non-US sources. For example, for products such as valves and hydrants, the individual non-iron and steel components do not have to be of domestic origin.

17) Are the raw materials used in the production of iron or steel required to come from US sources?

No. Raw materials, such as iron ore, limestone, scrap iron, and scrap steel, can come from non-US sources.

18) If an above listed item is primarily made of iron or steel, but is only at the construction site temporarily, must such an item be produced in the US?

No. Only the above listed products made primarily of iron or steel, permanently incorporated into the project must be produced in the US. For example trench boxes, scaffolding or equipment, which are removed from the project site upon completion of the project, are not required to be made of U.S. Iron or Steel.

19) What is the definition of 'municipal castings'?

Municipal castings are cast iron or steel infrastructure products that are melted and cast. They typically provide access, protection, or housing for components incorporated into utility owned drinking water, storm water, wastewater, and surface infrastructure. They are typically made of grey or ductile iron, or steel. Examples of municipal castings are:

Access Hatches;

Ballast Screen;

Benches (Iron or Steel);

Bollards:

Cast Bases;

Cast Iron Hinged Hatches, Square and Rectangular;

Cast Iron Riser Rings;

Catch Basin Inlet;

Cleanout/Monument Boxes;

Construction Covers and Frames;

Curb and Corner Guards;

Curb Openings;

Detectable Warning Plates;

Downspout Shoes (Boot, Inlet);

Drainage Grates, Frames and Curb Inlets;

Inlets;

Junction Boxes:

Lampposts;

Manhole Covers, Rings and Frames, Risers;

Meter Boxes;
Service Boxes;
Steel Hinged Hatches, Square and Rectangular;
Steel Riser Rings;
Trash receptacles;
Tree Grates;
Tree Guards;
Trench Grates; and
Valve Boxes, Covers and Risers.

20) What is 'structural steel'?

Structural steel is rolled flanged shapes, having at least one dimension of their cross-section three inches or greater, which are used in the construction of bridges, buildings, ships, railroad rolling stock, and for numerous other constructional purposes. Such shapes are designated as wide-flange shapes, standard I-beams, channels, angles, tees and zees. Other shapes include H-piles, sheet piling, tie plates, cross ties, and those for other special purposes.

21) What is a 'construction material' for purposes of the AIS requirement?

Construction materials are those articles, materials, or supplies made primarily of iron and steel, that are permanently incorporated into the project, not including mechanical and/or electrical components, equipment and systems. Some of these products may overlap with what is also considered "structural steel". This includes, but is not limited to, the following products: wire rod, bar, angles, concrete reinforcing bar, wire, wire cloth, wire rope and cables, tubing, framing, joists, trusses, fasteners (i.e., nuts and bolts), welding rods, decking, grating, railings, stairs, access ramps, fire escapes, ladders, wall panels, dome structures, roofing, ductwork, surface drains, cable hanging systems, manhole steps, fencing and fence tubing, guardrails, doors, and stationary screens.

22) What is not considered a 'construction material' for purposes of the AIS requirement?

Mechanical and electrical components, equipment and systems are not considered construction materials. Mechanical equipment is typically that which has motorized parts and/or is powered by a motor. Electrical equipment is typically any machine powered by electricity and includes components that are part of the electrical distribution system.

The following examples (including their appurtenances necessary for their intended use and operation) are NOT considered construction materials: pumps, motors, gear reducers, drives (including variable frequency drives (VFDs)), electric/pneumatic/manual accessories used to operate valves (such as electric valve actuators), mixers, gates, motorized screens (such as traveling screens), blowers/aeration equipment, compressors, meters, sensors, controls and switches, supervisory control and

data acquisition (SCADA), membrane bioreactor systems, membrane filtration systems, filters, clarifiers and clarifier mechanisms, rakes, grinders, disinfection systems, presses (including belt presses), conveyors, cranes, HVAC (excluding ductwork), water heaters, heat exchangers, generators, cabinetry and housings (such as electrical boxes/enclosures), lighting fixtures, electrical conduit, emergency life systems, metal office furniture, shelving, laboratory equipment, analytical instrumentation, and dewatering equipment.

23) If the iron or steel is produced in the US, may other steps in the manufacturing process take place outside of the US, such as assembly?

No. Production in the US of the iron or steel used in a listed product requires that all manufacturing processes must take place in the United States, except metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives.

24) What processes must occur in the US to be compliant with the AIS requirement for reinforced precast concrete?

While reinforced precast concrete may not be at least 50% iron or steel, in this particular case, the reinforcing bar and wire must be produced in the US and meet the same standards as for any other iron or steel product. Additionally, the casting of the concrete product must take place in the US. The cement and other raw materials used in concrete production are not required to be of domestic origin.

If the reinforced concrete is cast at the construction site, the reinforcing bar and wire are considered to be a construction material and must be produced in the US.

Compliance

25) How should an assistance recipient document compliance with the AIS requirement?

In order to ensure compliance with the AIS requirement, specific AIS contract language must be included in each contract, starting with the assistance agreement, all the way down to the purchase agreements. Sample language for assistance agreements and contracts can be found in Appendix 3 and 4.

EPA recommends the use of a step certification process, similar to one used by the Federal Highway Administration. The step certification process is a method to ensure that producers adhere to the AIS requirement and assistance recipients can verify that products comply with the AIS requirement. The process also establishes accountability and better enables States to take enforcement actions against violators.

Step certification creates a paper trail which documents the location of the manufacturing process involved with the production of steel and iron materials. A step certification is a process under which each handler (supplier, fabricator, manufacturer,

processor, etc) of the iron and steel products certifies that their step in the process was domestically performed. Each time a step in the manufacturing process takes place, the manufacturer delivers its work along with a certification of its origin. A certification can be quite simple. Typically, it includes the name of the manufacturer, the location of the manufacturing facility where the product or process took place (not its headquarters), a description of the product or item being delivered, and a signature by a manufacturer's responsible party. Attached, as Appendix 5, are sample certifications. These certifications should be collected and maintained by assistance recipients.

Alternatively, the final manufacturer that delivers the iron or steel product to the worksite, vendor, or contractor, may provide a certification asserting that all manufacturing processes occurred in the US. While this type of certification may be acceptable, it may not provide the same degree of assurance. Additional documentation may be needed if the certification is lacking important information. Step certification is the best practice.

26) How should a State ensure assistance recipients are complying with the AIS requirement?

In order to ensure compliance with the AIS requirement, States SRF programs must include specific AIS contract language in the assistance agreement. Sample language for assistance agreements can be found in Appendix 3.

States should also, as a best practice, conduct site visits of projects during construction and review documentation demonstrating proof of compliance which the assistance recipient has gathered.

27) What happens if a State or EPA finds a non-compliant iron and/or steel product permanently incorporated in the project?

If a potentially non-compliant product is identified, the State should notify the assistance recipient of the apparent unauthorized use of the non-domestic component, including a proposed corrective action, and should be given the opportunity to reply. If unauthorized use is confirmed, the State can take one or more of the following actions: request a waiver where appropriate; require the removal of the non-domestic item; or withhold payment for all or part of the project. Only EPA can issue waivers to authorize the use of a non-domestic item. EPA may use remedies available to it under the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and 40 CFR part 31 grant regulations, in the event of a violation of a grant term and condition.

It is recommended that the State work collaboratively with EPA to determine the appropriate corrective action, especially in cases where the State is the one who identifies the item in noncompliance or there is a disagreement with the assistance recipient.

If fraud, waste, abuse, or any violation of the law is suspected, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) should be contacted immediately. The OIG can be reached at 1-

888-546-8740 or OIG_Hotline@epa.gov. More information can be found at this website: http://www.epa.gov/oig/hotline.htm.

28) How do international trade agreements affect the implementation of the AIS requirements?

The AIS provision applies in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements. Typically, these obligations only apply to direct procurement by the entities that are signatories to such agreements. In general, SRF assistance recipients are not signatories to such agreements, so these agreements have no impact on this AIS provision. In the few instances where such an agreement applies to a municipality, that municipality is under the obligation to determine its applicability and requirements and document the actions taken to comply for the State.

Waiver Process

The statute permits EPA to issue waivers for a case or category of cases where EPA finds (1) that applying these requirements would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron and steel products are not produced in the US in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the US will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

In order to implement the AIS requirements, EPA has developed an approach to allow for effective and efficient implementation of the waiver process to allow projects to proceed in a timely manner. The framework described below will allow States, on behalf of the assistance recipients, to apply for waivers of the AIS requirement directly to EPA Headquarters. Only waiver requests received from states will be considered. Pursuant to the Act, EPA has the responsibility to make findings as to the issuance of waivers to the AIS requirements.

Definitions

The following terms are critical to the interpretation and implementation of the AIS requirements and apply to the process described in this memorandum:

<u>Reasonably Available Quantity</u>: The quantity of iron or steel products is available or will be available at the time needed and place needed, and in the proper form or specification as specified in the project plans and design.

<u>Satisfactory Quality</u>: The quality of iron or steel products, as specified in the project plans and designs.

<u>Assistance Recipient:</u> A borrower or grantee that receives funding from a State CWSRF or DWSRF program.

Step-By-Step Waiver Process

Application by Assistance Recipient

Each local entity that receives SRF water infrastructure financial assistance is required by section 436 of the Act to use American made iron and steel products in the construction of its project. However, the recipient may request a waiver. Until a waiver is granted by EPA, the AIS requirement stands, except as noted above with respect to municipalities covered by international agreements.

The waiver process begins with the SRF assistance recipient. In order to fulfill the AIS requirement, the assistance recipient must in good faith design the project (where applicable) and solicit bids for construction with American made iron and steel products. It is essential that the assistance recipient include the AIS terms in any request for proposals or solicitations for bids, and in all contracts (see Appendix 3 for sample construction contract language). The assistance recipient may receive a waiver at any point before, during, or after the bid process, if one or more of three conditions is met:

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

Proper and sufficient documentation must be provided by the assistance recipient. A checklist detailing the types of information required for a waiver to be processed is attached as Appendix 1.

Additionally, it is strongly encouraged that assistance recipients hold pre-bid conferences with potential bidders. A pre-bid conference can help to identify iron and steel products needed to complete the project as described in the plans and specifications that may not be available from domestic sources. It may also identify the need to seek a waiver prior to bid, and can help inform the recipient on compliance options.

In order to apply for a project waiver, the assistance recipient should email the request in the form of a Word document (.doc) to the State SRF program. It is strongly recommended that the State designate a single person for all AIS communications. The State SRF designee will review the application for the waiver and determine whether the necessary information has been included. Once the waiver application is complete, the State designee will forward the application to either of two email addresses. For CWSRF waiver requests, please send the application to: cwsrfwaiver@epa.gov. For DWSRF waiver requests, please send the application to: dwsrfwaiver@epa.gov.

Evaluation by EPA

After receiving an application for waiver of the AIS requirements, EPA Headquarters will publish the request on its website for 15 days and receive informal comment. EPA Headquarters will then use the checklist in Appendix 2 to determine whether the application properly and adequately documents and justifies the statutory basis cited for the waiver – that it is quantitatively and qualitatively sufficient – and to determine whether or not to grant the waiver.

In the event that EPA finds that adequate documentation and justification has been submitted, the Administrator may grant a waiver to the assistance recipient. EPA will notify the State designee that a waiver request has been approved or denied as soon as such a decision has been made. Granting such a waiver is a three-step process:

- 1. Posting After receiving an application for a waiver, EPA is required to publish the application and all material submitted with the application on EPA's website for 15 days. During that period, the public will have the opportunity to review the request and provide informal comment to EPA. The website can be found at: http://water.epa.gov/grants funding/aisrequirement.cfm
- 2. Evaluation After receiving an application for waiver of the AIS requirements, EPA Headquarters will use the checklist in Appendix 2 to determine whether the application properly and adequately documents and justifies the statutory basis cited for the waiver that it is quantitatively and qualitatively sufficient and to determine whether or not to grant the waiver.
- 3. Signature of waiver approval by the Administrator or another agency official with delegated authority As soon as the waiver is signed and dated, EPA will notify the State SRF program, and post the signed waiver on our website. The assistance recipient should keep a copy of the signed waiver in its project files.

Public Interest Waivers

EPA has the authority to issue public interest waivers. Evaluation of a public interest waiver request may be more complicated than that of other waiver requests so they may take more time than other waiver requests for a decision to be made. An example of a public interest waiver that might be issued could be for a community that has standardized on a particular type or manufacturer of a valve because of its performance to meet their specifications. Switching to an alternative valve may require staff to be trained on the new equipment and additional spare parts would need to be purchased and stocked, existing valves may need to be unnecessarily replaced, and portions of the system may need to be redesigned. Therefore, requiring the community to install an alternative valve would be inconsistent with public interest.

EPA also has the authority to issue a public interest waiver that covers categories of products that might apply to all projects.

EPA reserves the right to issue national waivers that may apply to particular classes of assistance recipients, particular classes of projects, or particular categories of iron or steel products. EPA may develop national or (US geographic) regional categorical waivers through the identification of similar circumstances in the detailed justifications presented to EPA in a waiver request or requests. EPA may issue a national waiver based on policy decisions regarding the public's interest or a determination that a particular item is not produced domestically in reasonably available quantities or of a sufficient quality. In such cases, EPA may determine it is necessary to issue a national waiver.

If you have any questions concerning the contents of this memorandum, you may contact us, or have your staff contact Jordan Dorfman, Attorney-Advisor, State Revolving Fund Branch, Municipal Support Division, at dorfman.jordan@epa.gov or (202) 564-0614 or Kiri Anderer, Environmental Engineer, Infrastructure Branch, Drinking Water Protection Division, at anderer.kirsten@epa.gov or (202) 564-3134.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Information Checklist for Waiver Request

The purpose of this checklist is to help ensure that all appropriate and necessary information is submitted to EPA. EPA recommends that States review this checklist carefully and provide all appropriate information to EPA. This checklist is for informational purposes only and does not need to be included as part of a waiver application.

Items	✓	Notes
General		
Waiver request includes the following information:		
 Description of the foreign and domestic construction materials 		
 Unit of measure 		
Quantity		
— Price		
 Time of delivery or availability 		
 Location of the construction project 		
 Name and address of the proposed supplier 		
 A detailed justification for the use of foreign construction materials 		
Waiver request was submitted according to the instructions in the memorandum		
 Assistance recipient made a good faith effort to solicit bids for domestic iron and steel products, as demonstrated by language in 		
requests for proposals, contracts, and communications with the prime contractor		
Cost Waiver Requests		
Waiver request includes the following information:		
 Comparison of overall cost of project with domestic iron and steel products to overall cost of project with foreign iron and 		
steel products		
 Relevant excerpts from the bid documents used by the contractors to complete the comparison 		
 Supporting documentation indicating that the contractor made a reasonable survey of the market, such as a description of the 		
process for identifying suppliers and a list of contacted suppliers		
Availability Waiver Requests		
 Waiver request includes the following supporting documentation necessary to demonstrate the availability, quantity, and/or quality of the materials for which the waiver is requested: 		
 Supplier information or pricing information from a reasonable number of domestic suppliers indicating availability/delivery date for construction materials 		
 Documentation of the assistance recipient's efforts to find available domestic sources, such as a description of the process for identifying suppliers and a list of contacted suppliers. 		
Project schedule		
 Relevant excerpts from project plans, specifications, and permits indicating the required quantity and quality of construction 		
materials		
Waiver request includes a statement from the prime contractor and/or supplier confirming the non-availability of the domestic		
construction materials for which the waiver is sought		
Has the State received other waiver requests for the materials described in this waiver request, for comparable projects?		

Appendix 2: HQ Review Checklist for Waiver Request

Instructions: To be completed by EPA. Review all waiver requests using the questions in the checklist, and mark the appropriate box as Yes, No or N/A. Marks that fall inside the shaded boxes may be grounds for denying the waiver. If none of your review markings fall into a shaded box, the waiver is eligible for approval if it indicates that one or more of the following conditions applies to the domestic product for which the waiver is sought:

- 1. The iron and/or steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality.
- 2. The inclusion of iron and/or steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

Review Items	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Cost Waiver Requests				
Does the waiver request include the following information?				
 Comparison of overall cost of project with domestic iron and steel products to overall cost of project with foreign iron and steel products 				
 Relevant excerpts from the bid documents used by the contractors to complete the comparison 				
 A sufficient number of bid documents or pricing information from domestic sources to constitute a reasonable survey of the market 				
• Does the Total Domestic Project exceed the Total Foreign Project Cost by more than 25%?				
Availability Waiver Requests				
 Does the waiver request include supporting documentation sufficient to show the availability, quantity, and/or quality of the iron and/or steel product for which the waiver is requested? Supplier information or other documentation indicating availability/delivery date for materials Project schedule Relevant excerpts from project plans, specifications, and permits indicating the required quantity and quality of materials 				
Does supporting documentation provide sufficient evidence that the contractors made a reasonable effort to locate domestic suppliers of materials, such as a description of the process for identifying suppliers and a list of contacted suppliers?				
Based on the materials delivery/availability date indicated in the supporting documentation, will the materials be unavailable when they are needed according to the project schedule? (By item, list schedule date and domestic delivery quote date or other relevant information)				
• Is EPA aware of any other evidence indicating the non-availability of the materials for which the waiver is requested? Examples include:				
 Multiple waiver requests for the materials described in this waiver request, for comparable projects in the same State Multiple waiver requests for the materials described in this waiver request, for comparable projects in other States Correspondence with construction trade associations indicating the non-availability of the materials Are the available domestic materials indicated in the bid documents of inadequate quality compared those required by the 				
project plans, specifications, and/or permits?				

Appendix 3: Example Loan Agreement Language

ALL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT MUST HAVE A CLAUSE REQUIRING COMPLIANCE WITH THE AIS REQUIREMENT. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT COULD BE INCLUDED IN SRF ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS. EPA MAKES NO CLAIMS REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF THIS CLAUSE WITH RESPECT TO STATE LAW:

Comply with all federal requirements applicable to the Loan (including those imposed by the 2014 Appropriations Act and related SRF Policy Guidelines) which the Participant understands includes, among other, requirements that all of the iron and steel products used in the Project are to be produced in the United States ("American Iron and Steel Requirement") unless (i) the Participant has requested and obtained a waiver from the Agency pertaining to the Project or (ii) the Finance Authority has otherwise advised the Participant in writing that the American Iron and Steel Requirement is not applicable to the Project.

Comply with all record keeping and reporting requirements under the Clean Water Act/Safe Drinking Water Act, including any reports required by a Federal agency or the Finance Authority such as performance indicators of program deliverables, information on costs and project progress. The Participant understands that (i) each contract and subcontract related to the Project is subject to audit by appropriate federal and state entities and (ii) failure to comply with the Clean Water Act/Safe Drinking Water Act and this Agreement may be a default hereunder that results in a repayment of the Loan in advance of the maturity of the Bonds and/or other remedial actions.

Appendix 4: Sample Construction Contract Language

ALL CONTRACTS MUST HAVE A CLAUSE REQUIRING COMPLIANCE WITH THE AIS REQUIREMENT. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT COULD BE INCLUDED IN ALL CONTRACTS IN PROJECTS THAT USE SRF FUNDS. EPA MAKES NO CLAIMS REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF THIS CLAUSE WITH RESPECT TO STATE OR LOCAL LAW:

The Contractor acknowledges to and for the benefit of the City of ("Purchaser") and the (the "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 and/or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund that have 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 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). While the Contractor has no direct contractual privity with the State, as a lender to 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.

Appendix 5: Sample Certifications

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 (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

The following information is provided as a sample letter of **step** certification for AIS

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.

Item, 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

The following information is provided as a sam	ple letter of certification for AIS compliance.
Documentation must be provided on company l	etterhead.

Date

Company Name

Company Address

City, State Zip

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:

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

Attachment J

Rhode Island Certified Prevailing Wage Daily Log



RI Department of Labor and Training Division of Workforce Regulation & Safety Professional Regulation Unit/Prevailing Wage Section 1511 Pontiac Avenue Building 70, P.O. Box 20247 Cranston, RI 02920-0943

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Contractor/Officer's Signature	_ 				Date

Attachment K

EPA Memorandum "Prohibition on Certain Telecommunication and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment in the SRF Programs"

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF WATER

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Prohibition on Certain Telecommunication and Video Surveillance Services or

Equipment in the SRF Programs

FROM: Kiri Anderer, P.E., Acting Associate Branch Chief

Infrastructure Branch, OGWDW

KIRSTEN ANDERER Digitally signed by KIRSTEN ANDERER Date: 2020.12.11 07:55:52

Michael Deane, Branch Chief

State Revolving Fund Branch, OWM

MICHAEL DEANE Digitally signed by MICHAEL DEANE Date: 2020.12.11 17:56:38 -05'00

TO:

SRF Branch Chiefs

Regions 1-10

Effective August 13, 2020, recipients and subrecipients of EPA funded assistance agreements, including borrowers under EPA funded revolving loan funds, must comply with regulations at 2 CFR 200.216, Prohibition on certain telecommunication and video surveillance services or equipment, implementing section 889 of Public Law 115-232. The regulation prohibits the use of Federal funds to procure (enter into, extend, or renew contracts) or obtain equipment, systems, or services that use "covered telecommunications equipment or services" identified in the regulation as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Prohibitions extend to the use of Federal funds by recipients and subrecipients to enter into a contract with an entity that "uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Certain equipment, systems, or services, including equipment, systems, or services produced or provided by entities subject to the prohibition are recorded in the System for Award Management exclusion list.

As described in section 889 of Public Law 115-232, covered telecommunications equipment or services includes:

- Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

• Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Applicability in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Programs

Clean Water and Drinking Water SRF (CWSRF and DWSRF) programs may not expend equivalency funds for these products on or after August 13, 2020. States must ensure that equivalency assistance agreements include the telecommunications prohibition condition provided by EPA's Office of Grants and Debarment (OGD) in OGD's most recent EPA General Terms and Conditions. The condition must also be in construction contracts associated with equivalency assistance agreements.

There is no exhaustive list of components and services that fall under the prohibition. State SRF managers and local assistance recipients should exercise due diligence and be particularly mindful of project components with internet or cellular connections. For example, recipients should be mindful of automatic meter reading (AMR) technology and advanced metering infrastructure (AMI), instrumentation control systems (e.g. process control systems, distributed control systems and programmable logic controls), and security cameras and other electronic security measures to ensure that those items are procured from a non-excluded entity. Items included in the prohibition are not eligible SRF costs, and the SRF programs cannot reimburse borrowers for these costs.

The prohibition also applies to the CWSRF administrative funds (if states are billing those costs to the federal CWSRF capitalization grant) and the four DWSRF set-asides. States should be mindful of items such as cell phones, computers, and mobile WiFi routers or hotspots funded by those accounts.

If you have questions on the implementation of this grant condition, please contact Michael Deane at Deane.Michael@epa.gov or Kiri Anderer at Anderer.Kirsten@epa.gov.

Attachment L

Davis Bacon Wage Rates

"General Decision Number: RI20240001 01/12/2024

Superseded General Decision Number: RI20230001

State: Rhode Island

Construction Types: Building, Heavy (Heavy and Marine) and

Highway

Counties: Rhode Island Statewide.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include residential construction consisting of single family homes and apartments up to and including 4 stories) HEAVY, HIGHWAY AND MARINE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(1).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an |. The contractor must pay option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:

- . Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.
- all covered workers at least \$17.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2024.

If the contract was awarded on . Executive Order 13658 or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:

- generally applies to the contract.
- . The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$12.90 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2024.

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

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

Modification Number Publication Date 0 01/05/2024 1 01/12/2024

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	Rates	Fringes
HAZARDOUS MATERIAL HANDLER (Includes preparation, wetting, stripping, removal scrapping, vacuuming, bagging & disposing of all insulation materials, whether they contain asbestos or not, from		
mechanical systems)	.\$ 48.15	34.84
ASBE0006-008 09/01/2023		
	Rates	Fringes
Asbestos Worker/Insulator Includes application of all insulating materials, protective coverings, coatings & finishes to all types of mechanical systems	.\$ 48.15	34.84
BOIL0029-001 01/01/2021		
	Rates	Fringes
BOILERMAKER	.\$ 45.87	29.02
BRRI0003-001 06/01/2022		
	Rates	Fringes
Bricklayer, Stonemason, Pointer, Caulker & Cleaner	.\$ 46.86	29.14
BRRI0003-002 09/01/2022		
	Rates	Fringes
Marble Setter, Terrazzo Worker & Tile Setter	•	30.34
BRRI0003-003 09/01/2022		
	Rates	Fringes
Marble, Tile & Terrazzo Finisher		29.61
CARP0330-001 06/05/2023		
	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER (Includes Soft Floor Layer) Diver Tender DIVER Piledriver	.\$ 43.78 .\$ 55.93	30.00 30.00 30.00 29.35

WELDER\$ 43.78 30.00
FOOTNOTES:
When not diving or tending the diver, the diver and diver tender shall receive the piledriver rate. Diver tenders shall receive \$1.00 per hour above the pile driver rate when tending the diver.
Work on free-standing stacks, concrete silos & public utility electrical power houses, which are over 35 ft. in height when constructed: \$.50 per hour additional.
Work on exterior concrete shear wall gang forms, 45 ft. or more above ground elevation or on setback: \$.50 per hour additional.
The designated piledriver, known as the ""monkey"": \$1.00 per hour additional.
CARP1121-002 01/02/2023
Rates Fringes
MILLWRIGHT\$ 41.54 30.73
ELEC0099-002 06/01/2023
Rates Fringes
ELECTRICIAN \$ 48.61 50.44% Teledata System Installer \$ 36.46 11.59%+15.31
FOOTNOTES:
Work of a hazardous nature, or where the work height is 30 ft. or more from the floor, except when working OSHA-approved lifts: 20% per hour additional.
Work in tunnels below ground level in combined sewer outfall: 20% per hour additional.
ELEV0039-001 01/01/2023
Rates Fringes
ELEVATOR MECHANIC \$ 59.36 37.335+a+b
FOOTNOTES:
a. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Years Day; Memorial Day; Independence

- a. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Years Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Veterans' Day; Thanksgiving Day; the Friday after Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day.
- b. Employer contributes 8% basic hourly rate for 5 years or more of service of 6% basic hourly rate for 6 months to 5 years of service as vacation pay credit.

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Operating Engineer: (power plants, sewer treatment plants, pumping stations, tunnels, caissons, piers, docks, bridges, wind turbines, subterranean & other marine and heavy construction work)

GROUP	1\$ 45.55	29.45
GROUP	2\$ 43.55	29.45
GROUP	3\$ 39.17	29.45
GROUP	4\$ 36.32	29.45
GROUP	5\$ 42.60	29.45
GROUP	6\$ 33.40	29.45
GROUP	7\$ 27.40	29.45
GROUP	8\$ 39.25	29.45
GROUP	9\$ 43.17	29.45

a. BOOM LENGTHS, INCLUDING JIBS:

150 feet and over + \$ 2.00 180 feet and over + \$ 3.00 210 feet and over + \$ 4.00 240 feet and over + \$ 5.00 270 feet and over + \$ 7.00 300 feet and over + \$ 8.00 350 feet and over + \$ 9.00 400 feet and over + \$ 10.00

a. PAID HOLIDAYS:

New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Victory Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. a: Any employee who works 3 days in the week in which a holiday falls shall be paid for the holiday.

a. FOOTNOTES:

Hazmat work: \$2.00 per hour additional.
Tunnel/Shaft work: \$5.00 per hour additional.

POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATORS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Cranes, lighters, boom trucks and derricks

GROUP 2: Digging machine, Ross Carrier, locomotive, hoist, elevator, bidwell-type machine, shot & water blasting machine, paver, spreader, graders, front end loader (3 yds. and over), vibratory hammer & vacuum truck, roadheaders, forklifts, economobile type equipment, tunnel boring machines, concrete pump and on site concrete plants.

GROUP 3: Oilers on cranes.

GROUP 4: Oiler on crawler backhoe.

GROUP 5: Bulldozer, bobcats, skid steer loader, tractor, scraper, combination loader backhoe, roller, front end loader (less than 3 yds.), street and mobile-powered sweeper (3-yd. capacity), 8-ft. sweeper minimum 65 HP).

GROUP 6: Well-point installation crew.

GROUP 7: Utility Engineers and Signal Persons

GROUP 8: Heater, concrete mixer, stone crusher, welding machine, generator and light plant, gas and electric driven pump and air compressor.

GROUP 9: Boat & tug operator.

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	Rates	Fringes
Power Equipment Operator (highway construction projects; water and sewerline projects which are incidental to highway construction projects; and bridge projects that do not span water) GROUP 1	\$ 33.40	29.25 29.25
GROUP 3GROUP 4GROUP 5	\$ 33.98	29.25 29.25 29.25
GROUP 6GROUP 7GROUP 8GROUP 9	\$ 37.68 \$ 32.95 \$ 32.33	29.25 29.25 29.25 29.25

- a. FOOTNOTE: a. Any employee who works three days in the week in which a holiday falls shall be paid for the holiday.
- a. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Victory Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day.

POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Digging machine, crane, piledriver, lighter, locomotive, derrick, hoist, boom truck, John Henry's, directional drilling machine, cold planer, reclaimer, paver, spreader, grader, front end loader (3 yds. and over), vacuum truck, test boring machine operator, veemere saw, water blaster, hydro-demolition robot, forklift, economobile, Ross Carrier, concrete pump operator and boats

GROUP 2: Well point installation crew

GROUP 3: Utlity engineers and signal persons

GROUP 4: Oiler on cranes

GROUP 5: Combination loader backhoe, front end loader (less than 3 yds.), forklift, bulldozers & scrapers and boats

GROUP 6: Roller, skid steer loaders, street sweeper

GROUP 7: Gas and electric drive heater, concrete mixer, light plant, welding machine, pump & compressor

GROUP 8: Stone crusher

GROUP 9: Mechanic & welder

		Rates	Fringes
Power Equip	ment Operator		
GROUP	1\$	44.82	29.90
GROUP	2\$	42.82	29.90
GROUP	3\$	42.60	29.90
GROUP	4\$	38.60	29.90
GROUP	5\$	35.75	29.90
GROUP	6\$	41.90	29.90
GROUP	7\$	41.47	29.90
GROUP	8\$	38.79	29.90

a.BOOM LENTHS, INCLUDING JIBS:

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150 ft. and over: + $ 2.00

180 ft. and over: + $ 3.00

210 ft. and over: + $ 4.00

240 ft. and over: + $ 5.00

270 ft. and over: + $ 7.00

300 ft. and over: + $ 8.00

350 ft. and over: + $ 9.00

400 ft. and over: + $ 10.00
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- a. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Victory Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day. a: Any employee who works 3 days in the week in which a holiday falls shall be paid for the holiday.
- a. FOOTNOTE: Hazmat work: \$2.00 per hour additional. Tunnel/Shaft work: \$5.00 per hour additional.

POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATORS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Cranes, lighters, boom trucks and derricks.

GROUP 2: Digging machine, Ross carrier, locomotive, hoist, elevator, bidwell-type machine, shot & water blasting machine, paver, spreader, front end loader (3 yds. and over), vibratory hammer and vacuum truck

GROUP 3: Telehandler equipment, forklift, concrete pump & on-site concrete plant

GROUP 4: Fireman & oiler on cranes

GROUP 5: Oiler on crawler backhoe

GROUP 6: Bulldozer, skid steer loaders, bobcats, tractor, grader, scraper, combination loader backhoe, roller, front end loader (less than 3 yds.), street and mobile powered sweeper (3 yds. capacity), 8-ft. sweeper (minimum 65 hp)

GROUP 7: Well point installation crew

GROUP 8: Heater, concrete mixer, stone crusher, welding machine, generator for light plant, gas and electric driven pump & air compressor

	Rates	Fringes
IRONWORKER	•	32.58

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	F	Rates	Fringes
LABORER			
GROUP	1\$	35.50	26.85
GROUP	2\$	35.75	26.85
GROUP	3\$	36.25	26.85
GROUP	4\$	36.50	26.85
GROUP	5\$	37.50	26.85
LABORERS	CLASSIFICATIONS		

GROUP 1: Laborer, Carpenter Tender, Mason Tender, Cement Finisher Tender, Scaffold Erector, Wrecking Laborer, Asbestos Removal [Non-Mechanical Systems]

GROUP 2: Asphalt Raker, Adzemen, Pipe Trench Bracer,
Demolition Burner, Chain Saw Operator, Fence & Guard Rail
Erector, Setter of Metal Forms for Roadways, Mortar Mixer,
Pipelayer, Riprap & Dry Stonewall Builder, Highway Stone
Spreader, Pneumatic Tool Operator, Wagon Drill Operator, Tree
Trimmer, Barco-Type Jumping Tamper, Mechanical Grinder Operator

GROUP 3: Pre-Cast Floor & Roof Plank Erectors

GROUP 4: Air Track Operator, Hydraulic & Similar Self-Powered Drill, Block Paver, Rammer, Curb Setter, Powderman & Blaster

GROUP 5: Toxic Waste Remover

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GROUP 3: Pre-Cast Floor & Roof Plank Erectors

GROUP 4: Air Track Operator, Hydraulic & Similar Self-Powered Drill, Block Paver, Rammer, Curb Setter, Powderman & Blaster

GROUP 5: Toxic Waste Remover

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HEAVY AND HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

15011211		
COMPRESSED AIR		
Group 1\$	55.40	24.15
Group 2\$	52.93	24.15
Group 3\$	42.45	24.15
FREE AIR		
Group 1\$	44.05	24.15
Free Air		
Group 1\$	46.00	24.15
FREE AIR		
Group 2\$	43.05	24.15
Free Air		
Group 2\$	45.00	24.15
FREE AIR		
Group 3\$	40.50	24.15
Free Air		
Group 3\$	42.45	24.15
LABORER		
Group 1\$	35.50	24.85
Group 2\$	35.75	24.85
Group 3\$	36.50	24.85
Group 4\$	29.00	24.85
Group 5\$	37.50	24.85
OPEN AIR CAISSON,		
UNDERPINNING WORK AND		
BORING CREW		
Bottom Man\$	41.50	24.15
Top Man & Laborer\$	35.60	24.15
TEST BORING		
Driller\$		24.15
Laborer\$	41.95	24.15
LABORER CLASSIFICATIONS		

GROUP 1: Laborer; Carpenter tender; Cement finisher tender; Wrecking laborer; Asbestos removers [non-mechanical systems]; Plant laborer; Driller in quarries

GROUP 2: Adzeperson; Asphalt raker; Barcotype jumping tamper; Chain saw operators; Concrete and power buggy operator; Concrete saw operator; Demolition burner; Fence and guard rail erector; Highway stone spreader; Laser beam operator; Mechanical grinder operator; Mason tender; Mortar mixer; Pneumatic tool operator; Riprap and dry stonewall builder; Scaffold erector; Setter of metal forms for roadways; Wagon drill operator; Wood chipper operator; Pipelayer; Pipe trench bracer

GROUP 3: Air track drill operator; Hydraulic and similar powered drills; Brick paver; Block paver; Rammer and curb setter; Powderperson and blaster

GROUP 4: Flagger & signaler

GROUP 5: Toxic waste remover

LABORER - COMPRESSED AIR CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Mucking machine operator, tunnel laborer, brake person, track person, miner, grout person, lock tender, gauge tender, miner: motor person & all others in compressed air

GROUP 2: Change house attendant, powder watchperson, top person on iron

GROUP 3: Hazardous waste work within the ""HOT"" zone

LABORER - FREE AIR CLASSIFICATIONS

- GROUP 1: Grout person pumps, brake person, track person, form mover & stripper (wood & steel), shaft laborer, laborer topside, outside motorperson, miner, conveyor operator, miner welder, heading motorperson, erecting operator, mucking machine operator, nozzle person, rodperson, safety miner, shaft & tunnel, steel & rodperson, mole nipper, concrete worker, form erector (wood, steel and all accessories), cement finisher (this type of work only), top signal person, bottom person (when heading is 50' from shaft), burner, shield operator and TBM operator
- GROUP 2: Change house attendant, powder watchperson
- GROUP 3: Hazardous waste work within the ""HOT"" zone

LABORER CLASSIFICATIONS

- GROUP 1: Laborer; Carpenter tender; Cement finisher tender; Wrecking laborer; Asbestos removers [non-mechanical systems]; Plant laborer; Driller in quarries
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top signal person, bottom person (when heading is 50' from shaft), burner, shield operator and TBM operator

GROUP 2: Change house attendant, powder watchperson

GROUP 3: Hazardous waste work within the ""HOT"" z	iROUP 3	: Hazardous	waste	work	within	the	""HOT""	zon
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ı	Rates	Fringes
PAINTER		
Brush and Roller\$	37.62	22.85
Epoxy, Tanks, Towers,		
Swing Stage & Structural		
Steel\$	39.62	22.85
Spray, Sand & Water		
Blasting\$	40.62	22.85
Taper\$	38.37	22.85
Wall Coverer\$	38.12	22.85

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	Rates	Fringes	
GLAZIER	\$ 40.78	23.40	

FOOTNOTES:

SWING STAGE: \$1.00 per hour additional.

PAID HOLIDAYS: Labor Day & Christmas Day.

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	Rates	Fringes
Painter (Bridge Work)	\$ 56.25	23.45
PAIN0035-008 06/01/2011		
	Rates	Fringes
Sign Painter	\$ 24.79	13.72

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Rates Fringes

CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...\$ 42.77 29.63

FOOTNOTE: Cement Mason: Work on free swinging scaffolds under 3 planks width and which is 20 or more feet above ground and any offset structure: \$.30 per hour additional.

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HEAVY AND HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Rates Fringes

CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER\$ 37.45	24.85	
PLAS0040-003 06/05/2023		
Rates	Fringes	
PLASTERER\$ 42.77	29.63	
PLUM0051-002 08/28/2023		
Rates	Fringes	
Plumbers and Pipefitters\$ 50.59	32.75	
ROOF0033-004 12/01/2023		
Rates	Fringes	
ROOFER\$ 43.80	30.31	
* SFRI0669-001 01/01/2024		
Rates	Fringes	
SPRINKLER FITTER\$ 47.55	32.85	
SHEE0017-002 12/01/2020		
Rates	Fringes	
Sheet Metal Worker\$ 38.58	36.73	
TEAM0251-001 05/01/2023		
HEAVY AND HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION		
Rates	Fringes	
TRUCK DRIVER GROUP 1	34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B 34.602+A+B	

- A. Paid Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, plus Presidents' Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day & V-J Day, providing the employee has worked at least one day in the calendar week in which the holiday falls.
- B. Employee who has been on the payroll for 1 year or more but less than 5 years and has worked 150 Days during the last year of employment shall receive 1 week's paid vacation; 5 to 10 years 2 weeks' paid vacation; 10 or more years 3 week's paid vacation.

C. Employees on the seniority list shall be paid a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) bonus for every four hundred (400) hours worked, up to a maximum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00)

All drivers working on a defined hazard material job site shall be paid a premium of \$2.00 per hour over applicable rate.

TRUCK DRIVER CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Pick-up trucks, station wagons, & panel trucks

GROUP 2: Two-axle on low beds

GROUP 3: Two-axle dump truck

GROUP 4: Three-axle dump truck

GROUP 5: Four- and five-axle equipment

GROUP 6: Low-bed or boom trailer.

GROUP 7: Trailers when used on a double hook up (pulling 2 trailers)

GROUP 8: Special earth-moving equipment, under 35 tons

GROUP 9: Special earth-moving equipment, 35 tons or over

GROUP 10: Tractor trailer

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

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (iii)).

The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of ""identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

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

Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the ""SU"" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current

negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

- 1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:
- * an existing published wage determination
- * a survey underlying a wage determination
- * a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- * a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour National Office because National Office has responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations Wage and Hour Division U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

These Supplementary Conditions amend or supplement the Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract and other provisions of the Contract Documents as indicated below. All provisions, which are not so amended or supplemented, remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS

General

The terms "Plans" and "Project Plans" used in various locations throughout these Specifications shall have the same meaning as "Drawings" as defined in the General Conditions. The word "site" shall mean the specific area adjacent to and including the area upon which the work is performed. The words "as directed", "as permitted", "as required", or words of like effect shall mean the direction, permission, and/or requirement of the Owner is intended and similarly the words, "approved", "acceptable", "satisfactory", or words of like effect shall mean approved by, acceptable, or satisfactory to the Owner, unless otherwise provided herein. The words "necessary", "suitable" "equal", or words of like effect shall mean necessary, suitable, or equal in the opinion of the Owner.

The terms used in these Supplementary Conditions which are defined in the Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract have the meanings assigned to them in the General Conditions.

SC-1.01. SPECIFIC CHANGES

Include following sections under paragraph 1.01.

- SC-1.19. Engineer Delete paragraph 1.19 in its entirety and replace with the following:
- 1.19. Engineer Owner or Owner's representative as defined by the Owner.
- SC-1.43. Delete paragraph 1.43 in its entirety and replace with the following:
- 1.43 Specifications Sections included under Division 1 through Division 16 of the Contract Documents.
- SC-1.45. Insert the following at the beginning of the definition.

Substantial completion shall mean either that the Work required by the Contract has been completed except for work having a Contract Price of less than one per cent of the then adjusted total contract price, or...

- SC-1.52. Add the following new definitions after paragraph 1.52 of the General Conditions:
- 1.53 Conditions of the Contract The combined General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions.
- 1.54 Contract Documents Invitation to Bid, Information for Bidders, Instructions for Bidders, Bid Proposal Form, Supplements to Bid Proposal, Agreement, Bonds, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, Specifications, Appendices, and Addenda.

ARTICLE 2 - PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- SC-2.03. Delete paragraph 2.03 of the General Conditions in its entirety and insert the following in its place:
- 2.03. The Contract Time will commence at the issuance of the Notice to Proceed or within fifteen days of contract execution.
- SC-2.05B. Insert the following after paragraph 2.05A:
- 2.05B. Before any Work at the site is started, Contractor shall deliver to Owner, with copies to Engineer and each additional insured identified in Article 5 of the Supplementary Conditions, certificates of insurance (and other evidence requested by Owner) which Contractor is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with the requirements of Article 5.

ARTICLE 3 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: INTENT, AMENDING, REUSE

- SC-3.01. Add a new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 3.01. of the General Conditions which is to read as follows:
- 3.01 D. Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in these Contract Documents shall be deemed to be inserted herein, and they shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise, any such provision is not inserted, or if not correctly inserted, then upon the application of either party, the Contract Documents shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion.

<u>ARTICLE 4 - AVAILABILITY OF LANDS; SUBSURFACE AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS; HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS; REFERENCE POINTS</u>

- SC-4.01. Add a new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 4.01. of the General Conditions which is to read as follows:
- 4.01D. If all lands and rights-of-way are not obtained as herein contemplated before construction begins, Contractor shall begin the work upon such land and rights-of-way as Owner has previously acquired.

ARTICLE 5 - BONDS AND INSURANCE

Amend paragraph 5.01 by adding the following sections:

- D. The Contractor shall furnish bonds covering faithful performance of the Contract and payment of obligations arising thereunder. Bonds shall be in a form acceptable to the Owner and shall be issued by companies licensed to issue such Bonds in the State of Rhode Island, and the cost thereof shall be included in the Contract Sum. Bonding companies shall be approved by the Owner and shall be listed on the U.S. Treasuries Circular 570 of approved bonding companies. The amount of each bond shall be equal to 100 percent of the Contract Sum, as amended.
 - Insurance companies shall be approved by the Owner and shall be rated A- or better.
- E. The Contractor shall deliver the required bonds to the Owner on or before the date the Agreement is entered into.

F. The Contractor shall require the attorney-in-fact who executes the required bonds on behalf of the surety to affix thereto a certified and current copy of the power of attorney.

Amend Paragraph 5.04 as follows:

- SC-5.04 The limits of liability for the insurance required by paragraph 5.04 of the General Conditions shall provide coverage for not less than the following amounts or greater where required by Law:
- 5.04A.1. and 5.04A.2. Worker's Compensation
- (1) Worker's Compensation Statutory Coverage
- 5.04A.3., 5.04A.4., and 5.04A.5. Comprehensive General Liability including Premise/Operations; Explosion, Collapse and Underground Property Damage; Products/Completed Operations, Broad Form Contractual, Independent Contractors; Broad Form Property Damage; and Personal Injury liabilities. Carrier shall be "A-"rated or higher.
 - a.) Bodily Injury:
 - (i) \$1,000,000- Each Occurrence
 - (ii) \$1,000,000- Annual Aggregate
 - b.) Property Damage:
 - (i) \$1,000,000- Each Occurrence
 - (ii) \$1,000,000- Annual Aggregate
 - c.) Products & Complete Operations to be maintained for one (1) year after final payment.
 - d.) Property Damage Liability Insurance will provide X, C, or U coverage as applicable.
 - (3) Contractor's Liability:
 - a.) Bodily Injury:
 - (i) \$1,000,000- Each Occurrence
 - b.) Property Damage:
 - (i) \$1,000,000- Each Occurrence
 - (ii) \$1,000,000- Annual Aggregate
 - (4) Personal Injury, with Employment Exclusion deleted:
 - a.) \$1,000,000- Annual Aggregate
- 5.04A.6. Comprehensive Automobile Liability including all owned (private and others), hired and non-owned vehicles: Carrier shall be A- rated or higher.
 - a.) Bodily Injury and Property Damage:
 - (i) \$1,000,000 Each person, combined single limit
- SC-5.04. Add a new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 5.04B.7. of the General Conditions which is to read as follows:
- 5.04B.8. Contractor may purchase and maintain excess liability insurance in the umbrella form in order to

satisfy the limits of liability required for the insurance to be purchased and maintained in accordance with paragraph 5.04. Evidence of such excess liability shall be delivered to Owner in the form of a certificate indicating the policy numbers and limits of liability of all underlying insurance.

SC-5.04. ADD paragraph 5.04C of the General Conditions:

5.04C. If Owner has any objection to the coverage afforded by or other provisions of the insurance required to be purchased and maintained by Contractor in accordance with this Article 5 on the basis of its not complying with the Contract Documents, Owner will notify Contractor in writing thereof within ten days of the date of delivery of such certificates to Owner in accordance with Paragraph 2.05C. Contractor will provide such additional information in respect of insurance provided by him/her as Owner may reasonably request.

SC-5.05 DELETE paragraph 5.05 of the General Conditions in its entirety.

SC-5.06B DELETE paragraph 5.06 of the General Conditions in its entirety.

SC-5.07B and 5.07C DELETE paragraph 5.07B and 5.07C of the General Conditions in its entirety.

SC-5.08. DELETE paragraph 5.08 of the General Conditions in its entirety.

SC-5.09 – DELETE paragraph 5.09 of the General Conditions in its entirety and replace with the following:

5.09 If Owner has any objection to the coverage afforded by, or other provisions of, the insurance required to be purchased and maintained by Contractor in accordance with Article

5.0 on the basis of its not complying with the Contract Documents, Owner shall notify Contractor thereof in writing. Contractor shall provide to the Owner such additional information in respect of insurance provided by as the Owner may reasonably request.

ARTICLE 6 - CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Amend Article 6.0 by adding the following before paragraph 6.01:

SC 6.0 Equal Opportunity

The Contractor and the Contractor's Subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex or national origin. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, sex or national origin.

Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising.

SC-6.02. Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 6.02B of the General Conditions:

6.02C. This Agreement is subject to the applicable provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, Public Law 87-581, 87th Congress, as amended. No Contractor or Subcontractor contracting for any part of the work shall require or permit any laborer or mechanic to be employed on the Work in excess of forty hours in any work week unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times his/her basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such work week.

6.02D. Contractor shall employ only competent persons to do the work and whenever Owner shall notify Contractor, in writing, that any person on the Work appears to be incompetent, disorderly, or otherwise unsatisfactory, such person shall be removed from the Project and shall not again be employed on it except with the consent of Owner.

6.02E. Except as may be otherwise required by law, all claims and disputes pertaining to the classification of labor employed on the project under this Contract shall be decided by the governing body having jurisdiction.

SC-6.06. DELETE Paragraphs 6.06A and 6.06B of the General Conditions in their entirety and insert the following in its place:

6.06A. Contractor shall not employ any subcontractor, supplier or other person or organization, (including those who are to furnish the principal items of materials or equipment), whether initially or as a substitute, against whom Owner may have reasonable objection. Acceptance of any Subcontractor, other person or organization by Owner does not waive Owner's rights to reject defective Work. Contractor shall not be required to employ any Subcontractor, other person or organization against which Contractor has reasonable objection.

6.06B. This paragraph left blank.

SC-6.06. Add a new sentence at the end of Section 6.06 to read as follows:

6.06H. Owner or ENGINEER may furnish to any Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization, to the extent practicable, information about amounts paid on their behalf to Contractor in accordance with Contractor's Applications for Payment.

SC-6.10. Add the following language at the end of Paragraph 6.10 of the General Conditions:

The materials and supplies to be used in the Work of this Contract are exempt from the Sales and Use Tax of the State of Rhode Island. Contractor shall obtain the proper certificates, maintain the necessary records and otherwise comply with the requirements of Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1966 and any amendments thereto.

SC-6.20. Add two sentences at the end of Paragraph 6.20A to read as follows:

If through the acts of neglect on the part of the Contractor, any other Contractor or any Subcontractor shall suffer loss or damage on the Work, Contractor shall settle with such other Contractor or Subcontractor by agreement or arbitration if such other Contractor or Subcontractor will so settle. If such other Contractor or Subcontractor shall assert any claim against Owner on account of any damage alleged to have sustained, Owner shall notify Contractor, who shall indemnify and save harmless Owner against any such claims.

ARTICLE 8 – OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

SC 8.02. DELETE Section 8.02 in its entirety, and replace with the following:

8.02. In case of termination of the employment of Engineer, Owner shall appoint an Engineer, whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Engineer.

ARTICLE 9 - ENGINEER'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

SC-9.03. Add a new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 9.03A of the General Conditions which is to

read as follows:

9.03B. Owner may designate an agent to represent him/her at the Site who is not Engineer's agent or employee, at Owner's discretion. The duties and responsibilities of the agent will be as enumerated in the agent's agreement with Owner, a copy of which will be furnished to Contractor upon written request.

ARTICLE 11 – COST OF THE WORK; ALLOWANCES; UNIT PRICE WORK

SC-11.03.D. DELETE Paragraph 11.03D in its entirety and replace with the following:

11.03D. The unit price of an item of Unit Price Work shall be subject to re-evaluation and adjustment under the following conditions:

11.03D.1. If there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and

11.03D.2. If Contractor believes that Contractor has incurred additional expense as a result thereof; or if Owner believes that the quantity variation entitles Owner to an adjustment in the unit price, either Owner or Contractor may make a claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price in accordance with Article 12 if the parties are unable to agree as to the effect of any such variations in the quantity of Unit Price Work performed.

ARTICLE 13 - TESTS AND INSPECTIONS; CORRECTION, REMOVAL OR ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE WORK

SC-13.05. Add a new paragraph immediately after paragraph 13.05A of the General Conditions to read as follows:

13.05B. If the Owner stops Work under Paragraph 13.05, Contractor shall be entitled to no extension of Contract Time or increase in Contract Price.

ARTICLE 14 - PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR AND COMPLETION

SC-14.02

Add a new sentence at the end of paragraph 14.02A.1 of the General Conditions, which is to read as follows:

The Contractor shall furnish evidence that payment received on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated and suitably stored, has in fact been paid to the respective supplier(s) within sixty days of payment by Owner. Failure to provide such evidence of payment may result in the withdrawal of previous approval(s) and removal of the cost of related materials and equipment from the next submitted Application for Payment.

SC-14.02.

Add four new paragraphs immediately after paragraph 14.02.D.3 of the General Conditions, which are to read as follows:

14.02.D.4. Should Contractor neglect to pay any undisputed claims, made in writing to Owner within thirty days after completion of the Work, but continuing unsatisfied for a period of ninety days, Owner may pay such claim and deduct the amount thereof from the balance due Contractor. Owner may also, with the written consent of Contractor, use any monies retained, due, or to become due under this Contract for the

purpose of payment for both labor and materials for the Work, for which claims have not been filed.

14.02.D.5. Security is provided both by the Payment Bond and the power of Owner to retain any monies for claims, but payment by one shall in no way impair or discharge the liability of the other.

14.02.D.6. Any and all liens for work and materials may be paid off by Owner within a reasonable time after filing for record in accordance with State and local laws, notice of such liens except where the claim on which the lien is filed is being litigated by Contractor, and in such case Owner may pay the amount of any final judgement or decree or any such claim within a reasonable time after such final judgement or decree shall be rendered.

14.02.D.7 All monies paid by Owner in settlement of liens as aforesaid, with the costs and expenses incurred by Owner in connection therewith, shall be charged to Contractor, shall bear interest at the rate of one and a half percent per month, and shall be deducted from the next payment due Contractor under the terms of this Contract.

SC-14.03

Add two new paragraphs immediately after paragraph 14.03A of the General Conditions, which are to read as follows:

14.03B. No materials or supplies for the Work shall be purchased by Contractor or Subcontractor subject to any chattel mortgage or under a conditional sale contract or other agreement by which an interest is retained by the seller. Contractor warrants that he/she has good title to all materials and supplies used by him/her in the Work, free from all liens, claims or encumbrances.

14.03C. Contractor shall indemnify and save Owner harmless from all claims growing out of the lawful demands of Subcontractors, laborers, workmen, mechanics, material, men, and furnishers of machinery and parts thereof, equipment, power tools, and all supplies, including commissary, incurred in the furtherance of the performance of this Contract. Contractor shall at Owner's request, furnish satisfactory evidence that all obligations of the nature hereinabove designated have been paid, discharged, or waived. If Contractor fails to do so, then Owner may, after having served written notice on the said Contractor either pay unpaid bills, of which Owner has written notice, direct, or withhold from the Contractor's unpaid compensation a sum of money deemed reasonable sufficient to pay any and all such lawful claims until satisfactory evidence is furnished that all liabilities have been fully discharged whereupon payment to Contractor shall be resumed, in accordance with the terms of this Contract, but in no event shall the provisions of this section be construed to impose any obligations upon Owner to either Contractor or his/her Surety.

SC – 14.07 DELETE Section 14.07 B. Engineer's Review of Application and Acceptance and replace with the following:

14.07B. Within 30 days of satisfactory completion of the work and receipt by Owner of Contractor's final application for payment, Owner will make final payment to the Contractor.

Payment hereunder is subject to satisfactory evidence of payment to all subcontractors and resolution of any and all claims and/or liens.

SC – 14.08 DELETE Sections 14.08. Final Completion Delayed.

ARTICLE 15 - SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

SC-15.02

Add a new paragraph immediately after paragraph 15.02A.4. of the General Conditions which is to read as follows:

15.02A.5 If Contractor abandons the Work, or sublets this Contract or any part thereof, without the previous written consent of Owner, or if the Contract or any claim there under shall be assigned by Contractor otherwise than as herein specified;

Delete Section 15.03A.3 and 15.03A.4 in their entirety.

ARTICLE 16 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

SC-16.01

Add three new paragraphs at the end of Article 16.01 of the General Conditions, which is to read as follows:

16.01D.1 Contractor shall carry on the Work and maintain the progress schedule during the dispute resolution proceedings, unless otherwise agreed by him/her and Owner in writing.

16.01D.2 Delete all references to arbitration in "General Conditions". Arbitration shall be in accordance with the provisions of the State Arbitration Laws (State of Rhode Island, General Laws, Title 37, Chapter 16), which shall take precedence and shall govern.

16.01D.3 Every contract for the construction, alteration, repair or painting or demolition of any public building, sewer, water treatment or disposal project, highway, or bridge one party to which is the state, a city, a town, or an authority, a board, a public corporation, or any similar body created by statute or ordinance or any committee, agency, or subdivision of any of them which has a contract price of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more and which is executed on or after July 1, 1967, out of, or concerning the performance or interpretation of, the contract as follows:

"All claims, disputes, and other matters in question arising out of or relating to this contract or the performance or interpretation thereof shall be submitted to arbitration. Arbitration shall be commenced by a demand in writing made by one party to the contract upon the other within a reasonable time after the dispute, claim, or other matter in question arose but in no event after payment in full of the contract price has been made and accepted. The written demand shall contain a statement of the question to be arbitrated and a detailed statement of each time or matter in dispute and the name of the arbitrator appointed by that party. The other party to the contract within (10) days of the receipt of the written demand shall appoint an arbitrator and give notice in writing thereof to the party who commenced arbitration. The two (2) arbitrators appointed by the parties shall within ten (10) days of the date of the appointment of the second arbitrator select a third arbitrator who shall be designated as chairperson and who immediately shall give written notice to the parties of his or her appointment. The third arbitrator shall select a time, date and place for hearing and give each party five (5) days notice in writing thereof. The date for hearing shall not be more than fifteen (15) days after the date of appointment of the third arbitrator. The arbitrators shall render their award in writing to each of the parties not more than thirty (30) days after the date hearing shall commence unless the parties shall otherwise agree in writing. In the event the party of whom arbitration is demanded shall fail to appoint his or her arbitrator within the time specified or the two (2) arbitrators appointed by the parties are unable to agree on an appointment of the third arbitrator within the time specified, either party may petition the residing justice of the superior court to appoint a single arbitrator who shall hear the parties and make an award as provided herein. The petitioner shall give five (5) days notice in writing to the other party before filing his or her petition."

ARTICLE 17 - MISCELLANEOUS

SC-17.07

Add a new paragraph immediately after paragraph 17.06 of the General Conditions, which is to read as follows:

17.07. Both the address given in the Bid Form upon which this Agreement is founded, and Contractor's office at or near the site of the Work are hereby designated as places to either of which notices, letters, and other communications to Contractor shall be certified, mailed, or delivered. The delivering at the above named place, or depositing in a postpaid wrapper directed to the first-named place, in any post office box regularly maintained by the post office department, of any notice, letter or other communication to Contractor shall be deemed sufficient service thereof upon Contractor; and the date of said service shall be the date of such delivery or mailing. The first-named address may be changed at any time by an instrument in writing, executed and acknowledged by Contractor, and delivered to Owner and Engineer. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to preclude or render inoperative the service of any notice, letter, or other communication upon Contractor personally.

WAGE RATES:

SC-17.08

Add the following new paragraphs immediately after paragraph 17.07 of the Supplementary Conditions:

17.08. Wage Rates A. The requirements and provisions of all applicable laws and any amendments thereof or additions thereto as to the employment of labor, and to the schedule of minimum wage rates established in compliance with laws shall be a part of these Contract Documents. Copies of the wage schedules are included in the Contract Documents, if applicable under this Contract. If, after the Notice of Award, it becomes necessary to employ any person in a trade or occupation not classified in the wage determinations, such person shall be paid at not less than such rates as shall be determined by the officials administrating the laws mentioned above. Such approved minimum rate shall be retroactive to the time of the initial employment of such person in such trade or occupation. Contractor shall notify Owner of his/her intention to employ persons in trades or occupations not classified in sufficient time for Owner to obtain approved rates for such trades or occupations.

17.08A.1. The schedules of wages referred to above are minimum rates only, and Owner will not consider any claims for additional compensation made by Contractor because of payment by Contractor of any wage rate in excess of the applicable rate contained in these Contract Documents. All disputes in regard to the payment of wages in excess of these specified in the schedules shall be resolved by Contractor.

17.08A.2 The said schedules of wages shall continue to be the minimum rates to be paid during the life of this Agreement and a legible copy of said schedules shall be kept posted in a conspicuous place at the site of the work.

PART II - STATE GOVERNMENT PROVISIONS

Each and every other provision of law or clause required by law to be inserted in this Contract shall be deemed to be also inserted herein in accordance with paragraph SC-3.1.1. of Supplementary Conditions.

CITY OF WOONSOCKET LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

1.0 STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROVISIONS

- 1.1 The Owner and Contractor agree that all applicable State of Rhode Island Provisions which apply to the work to be performed under this Contract will be followed. The Contractor must inform him/herself of all pertinent State of Rhode Island Provisions with performing this work. The most recent revisions of any State Provisions will apply in this Contract. The most recent provisions supersede any conflicting provisions of this Contract.
- 1.2 State Wage Rates, As Applicable

END OF SECTION

SECTION 00840 PAYMENT BOND

A. An example Payment Bond form is enclosed herein.

END OF SECTION

PAYMENT BOND

CONTI	RACTOR (Name and Address):	SURE Busine	TY (Name, and Address of Principal Placess):	e of
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- 1. Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to Owner to pay for labor, materials, and equipment furnished by Claimants for use in the performance of the Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. With respect to Owner, this obligation shall be null and void if Contractor:
 - 2.1 Promptly makes payment, directly or indirectly, for all sums due Claimants, and
 - 2.2 Defends, indemnifies, and holds harmless Owner from all claims, demands, liens, or suits alleging non-payment by Contractor by any person or entity who furnished labor, materials, or equipment for use in the performance of the Contract, provided Owner has promptly notified Contractor 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 Contractor and Surety, and provided there is no Owner Default.
- 3. With respect to Claimants, this obligation shall be null and void if Contractor 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 Contractor have given notice to Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to Owner, 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 Contractor:
 - 1. Have furnished written notice to Contractor and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to Owner, 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 or equipment were furnished or supplied, or for whom the labor was done or performed; and
 - 2. Have either received a rejection in whole or in part from Contractor, or not received within 30 days of furnishing the above notice any communication from Contractor by which Contractor had indicated the claim will be paid directly or indirectly; and
 - 3. 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 Owner, stating that a claim is being made under this Bond and enclosing a copy of the previous written notice furnished to Contractor.
- 5. If a notice by a Claimant required by Paragraph 4 is provided by Owner to Contractor 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 Owner to Contractor under the Contract shall be used for the performance of the Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any performance bond. By Contractor furnishing and Owner accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by Contractor in the performance of the Contract are dedicated to satisfy obligations of Contractor and Surety under this Bond, subject to Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the Work.
- 9. Surety shall not be liable to Owner, Claimants, or others for obligations of Contractor that are unrelated to the Contract. Owner shall not be liable for payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligations 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 commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the Work or part of the Work is 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, Owner, or Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the addresses shown on the signature page. Actual receipt of notice by Surety, Owner, or Contractor, 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 requirement in the location where the Contract was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory 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, Contractor 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 Contractor, or with a first-tier subcontractor of Contractor, 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 performance of the Work of Contractor and Contractor'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 Owner and Contractor identified on the signature page, including all Contract Documents and changes thereto.
- 15.3 Owner Default: Failure of Owner, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to pay Contractor as required by the Contract, or to perform and complete or otherwise comply with the other terms thereof.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY – (*Name, Address, and Telephone*)

Surety Agency or Broker:

Owner's Representative (*Engineer or other*):

SECTION 00850 NOTICE OF AWARD

A. An example Notice of Award is enclosed herein.

END OF SECTION

Notice of Award

		Date:
Project:		
Owner:		Owner's Contract No.:
Contract:		Engineer's Project No.:
Bidder:		
Bidder's Address: [send Notice o	f Award Certified Mail, I	Return Receipt Requested]
You are notified that your Successful Bidder and are award		e above Contract has been considered. You are the
[Indicate to	otal Work, alternates, or s	sections of Work awarded.]
The Contract Price of your C	Contract is I	Oollars (\$).
[Insert appropriate da	ıta if unit prices are used	. Change language for cost-plus contracts.]
copies of the proposed	d Contract Documents (ex	xcept Drawings) accompany this Notice of Award.
sets of the Drawings v	will be delivered separate	ely or otherwise made available to you immediately.
You must comply with the Notice of Award.	following conditions pr	ecedent within [15] days of the date you receive this
1. Deliver to the Owner	r [] fully executed	counterparts of the Contract Documents.
	ders (Article 20), Gener	ents the Contract security [Bonds] as specified in the ral Conditions (Paragraph 5.01), and Supplementary
3. Other conditions pre	cedent:	
Failure to comply with thes default, annul this Notice of Awa		time specified will entitle Owner to consider you in security forfeited.
Within ten days after you co counterpart of the Contract Docu		onditions, Owner will return to you one fully executed
	Owner By:	
	Authorized Signa	ature
Copy to Engineer	Title	

SECTION 00860

NOTICE TO PROCEED

A. An example Notice to Proceed is enclosed herein.

END OF SECTION

Notice to Proceed

	Date:
Project:	
Owner:	Owner's Contract No.:
Contract:	Engineer's Project No.:
Contractor:	'
Contractor's Address: [send Certified Mail, Retu	rn Receipt Requested]
on On or before that date, you are to state Documents. In accordance with Article 4 of the is, and the date of readiness for final pays Substantial Completion is, and the number]. Before you may start any Work at the provides that you and Owner must each deliver	
	other requirements].
	Owner Given by: Authorized Signature
	Title
Copy to Engineer	Date

CITY OF WOONSOCKET LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

DIVISION 1

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1 LOCATION OF WORK

- A. The location of the work is within the Woonsocket Water Division's (WWD's) water distribution system which serves all of the City of Woonsocket and parts of North Smithfield, RI. The system also supplies customers in Cumberland, RI; Blackstone, MA; and Bellingham, MA.
- B. The work will be performed on private property at several existing water service connections in the distribution system.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- A. Owner, where used in these Specifications, shall refer to the City of Woonsocket (City), inclusive of the Woonsocket Water Division (WWD) and Woonsocket Department of Public Works (DPW), as well as representatives authorized by the City (e.g., Engineer).
- B. Engineer, where used in these Specifications, shall refer to Pare Corporation.
- C. Contractor, where used in these Specifications, shall refer to the Proposer awarded a contract to perform the services described herein.
- D. Property owner, where used in these specifications, shall refer to the legal owner or owners of real property at which the work of this contract is being performed.
- E. Bid Documents: Contract Documents supplemented with Invitation to Bid, General Contract Provisions, Bid Proposal Form, Supplements to Bid Forms, Appendices and Bid Securities, identified herein. Bid Documents are identified by the project title "Lead Service Line Replacement", City of Woonsocket Invitation to Bid #6205.
- F. Contract Documents: Defined in EJCDC 1910-8 Article 1, including issued Addenda.

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK

- A. Furnish and install new 1-inch Type K copper water tubing, fittings, and reducers at the sizes specified to replace existing water service lines and connecting new pipe to existing pipe to remain as a replacement of existing lead and galvanized steel water service lines in the City of Woonsocket distribution system.
- B. Install service box and rod, E fitting adapter, meter couplings, and new water meters as a replacement for existing materials in the City of Woonsocket distribution system. Meters to be provided by the WWD; otherwise, Contractor shall furnish all materials to be installed.
- C. Furnish and install ball valves immediately upstream and downstream of new meter.
- D. Furnish and install residential dual check back flow preventer at all services except those locations where a testable, reduced pressure zone backflow preventer is required due to an increased risk of cross contamination to the system. This includes services that supply

irrigation systems or receive supplemental supply from onsite well(s). Testable backflow preventer shall be tested in accordance with WWD requirements, and such test shall be witnessed by WWD personnel.

- E. Furnish and supply each customer affected by a lead service line replacement with a pitcher filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, as well as 6 months of replacement filter cartridges. For water services that serve more than one residence or business unit, a pitcher filter and filter cartridges must be provided to each residence or business unit. The distribution of pitcher filters and filter cartridges must be performed at the time of lead service replacement and before the service is put back into use. This shall be coordinated with the City so that water department personnel can provide required notification and guidance material to each customer.
- F. Furnish and install expansion tank or pressure reducing valve as specified herein.
- G. Schedule work with the property owner and coordinate with Owner.
- H. Restore sites to the satisfaction of property owner, Owner, and Engineer. Upon completion of the work, all disturbed areas shall be restored to a condition equal to or better than that which existed prior to construction.
- Furnish and install bedding and backfill materials conforming to project details and I. specifications.
- Properly dispose existing water service pipe, asphalt pavement, cleared vegetation, etc. J. removed during the work. Haul excess soil offsite.
- K. All work within or adjacent to buildings shall be performed by a plumber licensed in the State of Rhode Island. Contractor is required to furnish verification to Owner that applicable work is performed by licensed plumbers.
- L. Contractor will be required to complete a General Waiver and Indemnification with the City of Woonsocket as part of the Contract Award, a copy of which is provided in Appendix C of these Contract Documents.
- M. The City will furnish property owners with a waiver of liability that shall be signed before work will be authorized at their property. A copy of this waiver is provided in Appendix C of these Contract Documents for informational purposes.
- Contractor shall conform to the requirements of the City of Woonsocket Cross Connection N. Control Program, the requirements of which are provided as Appendix D of these Contract Documents.
- Owner hereby reserves the right, at any time, or from time to time, to order additions, O. deletions, or revisions in the work to be authorized through a written amendment (change order), which shall be subject to the provisions of the General Conditions.

1.4 SITE EXAMINATION

Bidders are encouraged to make site visits to observe the locations of the proposed work but A. shall not enter private property in doing so. All observations of the work shall be made from within the public right of way.

B. There will be no site visit organized by Owner. Bidders shall perform site visits at their own discretion.

1.5 CONTRACT PERIOD

A. Substantial Completion shall be 180 calendar days from the contract start date set in the Notice to Proceed. Final Completion shall be within 30 calendar days of Substantial Completion. Contract will be required to schedule all work with property owners.

1.6 PERMITS

A. Contractor is responsible for obtaining all required permits necessary to perform the work of this Contract, including those issued by the City of Woonsocket.

1.7 WORK BY OTHERS

- A. A complete concrete patch in any sidewalk is not required in this contract and will be performed by the City of Woonsocket at a later date, at no cost to Contractor. A temporary asphalt patch is required for any disturbed sidewalk. Sidewalk restoration shall be done in complete panels. Cutting of concrete sidewalk panels is prohibited.
- B. City of Woonsocket will directly pay for police details, but it is the responsibility of the Contractor to schedule and coordinate police details for the locations where they are necessary. Any costs or fees associated with Contractor's failure to cancel a police detail is the responsibility of the Contractor.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

A. All materials, supplies or equipment incorporated into the work shall be new and unused and shall conform to the requirements of the applicable sections of these specifications.

PART 3 EXECUTION

- A. The General Contractor and subcontractors performing work under this contract shall execute such work in a professional manner, consistent with the industry's standards for quality workmanship.
- B. The General Contractor shall provide a representative to be present at all tests required by these specifications.

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. Extent of Work: This Section applies to situations in which the Contractor or his representatives including, but not necessarily limited to, suppliers, subcontractors, employees, and field engineers, enter upon private property to carry out the work of this Contract. Entry onto private property shall be coordinated by Owner with consent of the private property owner. Once access is granted, the work shall be scheduled by Contractor and Owner notified. The extent of the work also includes work performed on the Owner's property or within the public rights-of-way.

B. Related Work Specified Elsewhere:

Documents affecting work of this Section include, but are not necessarily limited to, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, Special Conditions and Sections of these Specifications.

1.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Promptly upon award of the Contract, notify all pertinent personnel regarding requirements of this section. Require that all personnel certify their awareness and familiarity with the requirements of this Section.

1.3 TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

A. Truck and Equipment Access:

- 1. Where materials are transported in the execution of the Work, vehicles shall not be loaded beyond the loading capacity recommended by the manufacturer for the vehicle or prescribed by any Federal, State or Local law or regulation.
- 2. Provide adequate protection for curbs and sidewalks over which trucks and equipment pass to reach the work site. Any damaged roads, bridges, structures, curbing, or sidewalks shall be repaired by, or at the expense of, the Contractor.

B. Contractor's Vehicles:

1. Require Contractor's vehicles and vehicles belonging to employees of the Contractor or leased by the Contractor or subcontractor used in performance of the Work of the Contract, to use only the access routes designated by Owner or with consent of private property owner, where applicable.

1.4 NON-EXCLUSIVE USE

A. Nothing herein contained in the Project Manual and Specifications, including that depicted on drawings and details, shall be construed as giving the Contractor exclusive occupancy of the work area. Access to private property shall be maintained at all times. The Owner or any other contractors employed by him, the various utility companies, contractors or subcontractors

employed by State or Federal agencies, or any other agencies involved in the general project or upon public rights-of-way, may enter upon or cross the area of work or occupy portions of the area as is directed or necessary.

B. The Owner reserves the right to do any other work that may be connected with, or become a part of, or be adjacent to the work embraced by this Contract, at any time, by Contractor or otherwise. The Contractor shall not interfere with the work of such others as the Owner may employ and shall execute his own work in such a manner as to aid in the execution of the work of others as may be required. No backfilling of trenches or excavations will be permitted until such work by the Owner is completed.

1.5 WORKING HOURS

A. Regular working hours shall consist of a period established between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and is subject to availability of private property owners where the work is being carried out. Alternative work hours will be considered by Owner, subject to consent of private property owner where the work is being performed.

1.6 ORDER OF WORK

A. The Contractor shall schedule his work so as to cause the least amount of disruption to private property owners.

1.7 EXISTING WORK

- A. The removal or altering in any way of existing work shall be carried out in such a manner as to prevent injury or damage to any portion(s) of the existing work which remain(s).
- B. All portions of existing work, which have been altered in any way during construction operations shall be repaired or replaced in kind and in a manner to match existing or adjoining work, as approved by the Engineer. All work of this nature shall be performed by the Contractor at the Contractor's expense and shall be performed as directed by the Engineer. At the completion of all operations, existing work shall be in a condition equal to or better than that which existed before the new work started.

1.8 SECURITY

- A. Secure work areas to prevent unauthorized entry to construction areas to allow for property owner's use of site and to protect existing facilities and adjacent properties from damage from construction operations.
- B. Provide barricades and covered walkways required by governing authorities for public rights-of-way and for public access to existing buildings, where required.
- C. Protect vehicular traffic, stored materials, site, and structure from damage and to minimize hazards to general public (i.e., curious nuisance).

1.9 NOISE CONTROL

A. The Contractor shall work utilizing methods to minimize excess background noise whenever

possible.

B. In no case shall work resulting in increased noise levels be performed outside of the working hours established in Section 1.5, without written authorization of the Owner.

1.10 POLLUTION CONTROL

A. Provide methods, means, and facilities to prevent contamination of soil, water, and atmosphere from discharge of noxious, toxic substances, and pollutants produced by construction operations.

1.11 PROGRESSIVE CLEANING

- A. As project progresses, maintain areas free of waste materials, debris and rubbish. Interim measures shall be undertaken to maintain a clean site while work progresses.
- B. Sweep all paved surfaces disturbed by construction activity daily and prior to opening to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

1.12 SANITATION

A. Adequate sanitary conveniences of a type approved for the use of persons employed on the work shall be constructed, properly secluded from public observation, and maintained by the Contractor in such a manner as required or approved by Owner. These conveniences shall be maintained at all times without nuisance. Upon completion of the work, the conveniences shall be removed by the Contractor from the premises, leaving the premises clean and free from nuisance. At no time shall Contractor, subcontractors, or others engaged in the execution of this contract solicit private property owners for use of restrooms or other facilities.

1.13 SAFETY

A. Contractor is solely responsible for site safety on all project related matters. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations and lawful orders of all authorities having jurisdiction for the safety of persons and protection of property.

1.1 EXTENT OF WORK

- A. Measurement. The quantities to be measured under the various items in the Bid Proposal Form will be those quantities of work completed in accordance with the Contract Documents. The methods of measurement will be as stated hereinafter for the individual items.
- B. Prices. The unit or lump sum prices for all items in the schedule of prices shall be full compensation for the work of the Contractor specified and shall include the cost of furnishing all materials, labor, tools and equipment and all work and expense incidental to and necessary to complete the work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

1.2 WORK NOT PAID FOR SEPARATELY

- A. Stripping Topsoil. Payment for stripping topsoil, including stockpiling, is included in the prices for the various Items of Work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- B. Clearing and Grubbing. Payment for clearing and grubbing, including disposal, is included in the prices for the various items of work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- C. Earth Excavation. Payment for earth excavation to the depths indicated in the Contract Documents or authorized by Owner for the work of this contract, including disposal of the excavated materials in fills, backfills, embankments, designated stockpiles, or as spoil as approved by Owner, is included in the prices for the various items of work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- D. Boulder Excavation. Payment for boulder excavation less than one (1) cubic yard in size, including furnishing and installing appropriate backfill material, is included in the various items of work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- E. Filling, Backfilling, Embankment, and Disposal of Surplus Materials. Payment for filling, backfilling, construction of embankments, and disposal of surplus material is included in the prices for the various items of work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof, unless otherwise indicated.
- F. Sheeting, Shoring and Bracing. Payment for all necessary sheeting, shoring and bracing is included in the prices for the various items in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment shall be made thereof.

- G. Pumping, Draining and Bailing. Payment for all necessary pumping, draining, bailing, etc., including the use of underdrains or well points, is included in the prices for the various items in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- H. Mobilization and Demobilization. Payment for preparation of site is included in the Lump Sum Price for Bid Item 1 – Mobilization and Demobilization in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof. There will be one lump sum item for the payment of setting up project sites and mobilizing and demobilizing from all project sites and locations. Site preparation is included as part of this item and includes setting up construction plant(s), offices, shops, storage areas, sanitary and other facilities required by the Specifications or Federal, State, and Local law or regulations; grading (including furnishing and installing fill material and removal and disposal of excess material) and rock removal at the site for all temporary facilities required as part of construction; obtaining necessary permits and licenses and payment of fees; general protection, temporary heat and utilities; setting up temporary pumping equipment, providing shop and working drawings, certificates and schedules; sampling and testing materials; providing required insurance; cleaning up, and all other work regardless of its nature which may not be specifically referred to in the Schedule of Prices but is necessary for the complete construction of the project set forth by the Contract.
- I. Bonds. Payment for bonds required by the Contract is included in the prices bid for the various items of work in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- J. Environmental Protection. Payment for work under this Section is included in the prices for the various Items in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof. This includes applying water or calcium chloride for dust control on trenches yet to be restored.
- K. Signage. Payment for all signage required for this project is included in the prices for the various Items in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- L. Pavement Removal. Payment for bituminous concrete pavement excavation and disposal is included in the prices for the various Items in the Schedule of Prices and no separate payment will be made thereof.
- M. No separate payments will be made for cleaning up. Such clean-up shall be considered incidental to the item to which it applies and shall be included in the price for that item.
- N. All existing work removed or damaged by the Contractor's operations shall be replaced to the satisfaction of the Owner at no additional expense to the Owner.
- O. No separate payment will be made for work or items associated with Division 1 General Requirements. Contractor shall incorporate the cost for these items into the Bid Items listed in the Bid Form.
- P. Compaction and costs associated with third party compaction testing are incidental to the work items described. No separate payment shall be made for labor, materials, or equipment necessary to adequately compact backfilled excavations or to conduct compaction testing in accordance with the requirements and technical specifications of this project.

Q. Should the Contractor determine that traffic control is required to facilitate delivery of equipment, products, and materials to the site, the costs associated with these measures shall be incorporated into Bid Item No. 1 – Mobilization and Demobilization. Police detail will be paid for directly by the Owner where deemed to be required by Contractor and verified by Owner.

1.3 BID ITEMS

- A. Appurtenant items of work specified which are required to complete the work but are not listed separately under the various applicable bid items of work, shall have no separate payment for such items. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to verify any missing or incomplete items.
- B. The Owner reserves the right to remove select bid items and to increase or decrease the unit quantity of bid items. The successful Bidder is made aware that the unit price so stated on the Bid Form constitutes full compensation for that item, regardless of any increase or decrease in the unit quantity of that bid item. There is no guarantee of any minimum or maximum quantity for any bid item. Standards of the industry (e.g. renegotiation of the bid price due to a 25% increase or decrease in the unit quantity of the bid item) shall not be enforceable under this contract. Renegotiation of bid prices is solely at the discretion of the Owner.

1.4 MEASUREMENT

A. The measurement of all quantities of items listed on the Bid Proposal Form shall be done by the Contractor. The measurement will include proper and complete documentation of all items to the satisfaction of the Owner prior to the submission for payment. The measurement submitted shall be in the same unit description listed on the Bid Form.

1.5 PAYMENT

- A. Payments shall be made to the Contractor only after proper documentation of the unit quantity provided or percentage of work completed, and in accordance with the contract terms and conditions regarding payment.
- B. Payment for bid items shall include full compensation for all incidentals required for the complete installation of the completed product.
- C. Payment shall be made only for that work which is performed within the pay limits as defined by these specifications. No payment shall be made for work beyond these limits unless the work has been authorized by the Owner in writing.

1.6 PARTIAL PAYMENT FOR PRODUCTS

A. There shall be no partial payment for products delivered but not installed, where installation is required under this Contract.

1.7 EXTRA WORK

A. Extra work, if any, shall be performed and paid for in accordance with the Contract

Agreement.

1.8 ALLOWANCE ITEMS

- A. Under these items, the Contractor shall be reimbursed for certain charges, authorized by Owner, for work not included in, or incidental to, other bid items but that is otherwise required in the course of completing the work of this Contract.
- B. The allowance price for these items established in the Bid is an estimated figure to facilitate comparison of bids only. The actual amount to be paid under these items shall constitute full compensation for Contractor's direct costs and other costs incidental to the services rendered.
- C. The allowance price for these items shall NOT include any costs associated with services rendered for routine utility markings, repair of damages incurred as a result of the Contractor's operations, relocations or dismantling and reassembling of utilities done at the Contractor's request and/or convenience or other utility relocation specifically covered under any other bid item, or any other unauthorized services rendered by utility companies. The purpose of this item is strictly for direct costs paid to the Contractor's reimbursement for those unforeseen services authorized by Owner prior to the work being performed.
- D. Any work proposed to be paid for under these items shall be approved by the Owner in advance of performing the work.

1.9 BASE PRICE PROPOSAL - ITEM DESCRIPTIONS

A. Item 1, Mobilization and Demobilization

1. Measurement

a. The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the Lump Sum price provided on the Bid Proposal Form. The payable quantity will be for the preparatory work and operations which must be performed or for costs which must be incurred prior to beginning work, as well as costs associated with bonds and other "up-front" costs incurred by the Contractor.

2. Payment

a. The payment for work associated with mobilization and demobilization shall be a Lump Sum Price as provided on the Bid Proposal Form for Item No. 1. Payment will be limited to 75% of the lump sum amount of this item until the work is complete and the contractor has completely demobilized. No more than 50% of the lump sum amount of this item shall be paid for in the Contractor's first pay application. The lump sum price bid for this item shall not exceed 5 percent of the total of all items, excluding this item.

B. Item 2. Erosion Controls

1. Measurement

a. The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the unit price provided on the Bid Proposal Form for each linear foot of erosion and

sedimentation control material (i.e., compost filter sock) installed, maintained, removed, and disposed where required by Owner. Work shall include all necessary equipment, materials, workmen, and all incidental work required for completion of the work specified herein and included on the contract drawings and in these specifications.

b. Erosion controls shall comply with the Rhode Island Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, latest edition.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the Unit Price per Linear Foot listed on the Bid Form for Bid Item No. 2.

C. Item 3, Exploratory Test Pits

1. Measurement

a. The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the unit price provided on the Bid Proposal Form for each exploratory test pit performed by Contractor. Exploratory test pits shall be permitted, with prior approval by Owner, for the sole purpose of investigating existing subsurface conditions in the immediate area of the work prior to performing lead service line replacement.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each exploratory test pit performed with prior approval by Owner, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 3. The price so-stated constitutes full and complete compensation for all labor, materials, and equipment and for all other incidentals required to excavate the test pit and completely restore the area to the satisfaction of Owner.

D. Item 4, Furnish and Install 1-Inch Type K Copper Service Line

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured on a price per length basis. The payable quantity will be for equipment, tools, materials, labor and testing services associated with furnishing and installing Type K water service up to and including 1-inch in size, including all fittings, required for completion of the work specified herein and included in the Contract Documents. The Work of this section includes removing and disposing existing water service, fittings, and appurtenances replaced by new components furnished and installed by Contractor.
- The Work of this section includes removal of pavements, loam and seed, and other surfaces; trench excavation; furnishing and installing bedding material; shoring and other means of supporting excavations; dewatering; backfilling; compaction; and trench restoration. The Contractor shall maintain trenches flush with existing surfaces until permanent patches are installed. No additional compensation will be provided to the Contractor for trench maintenance.

- c. The Work of this section includes furnishing all materials unless otherwise provided by Owner and making connections to the Owner-side of water service to remain. This includes installing E-fitting adapter and curb box supplied by Owner. All other fittings and appurtenances required for proper installation of new service piping shall be furnished and installed by Contractor.
- d. The Contractor shall core drill the existing foundation wall as required to allow for penetration of the 1" copper water service pipe. The Contractor shall install a PVC sleeve in the foundation to protect the copper service pipe. The interior and exterior of the cored hole shall be completely sealed with hydraulic cement to prevent water infiltration. The Contractor shall exercise caution to prevent damaging the existing foundation. The Contractor shall be responsible for repairing any damage to the foundation caused by the coring operation.
- e. The Contractor shall be responsible for moving and restoring any items on the interior of the home that infringe upon the work. Any damages caused by removing and restoring existing items will be Contractor's responsibility.
- f. The Contractor is responsible for any modifications to the interior plumbing necessary to install new water service. New interior water shut-off valves (ball valves) shall be installed on either side of meter.
- g. The Contractor shall be responsible for removing any debris generated by the work on the interior and exterior of the building and restore the area around the water service as nearly as practicable to its original condition.
- h. Abandonment and/or removal of existing water service piping shall be incidental to this bid item.
- i. The Work of this section shall consist of all supervision work associated with coordinating and performing the installation at a given property. This includes contacting the property owner to schedule the work and meeting with the property owner to layout the installation, documenting existing preconstruction conditions through photographs and field notes, notifying the property owner of installation prior to burial of new line, and documenting completed work and finished conditions through post-construction photographs and field notes.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price per linear foot of service line installed as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 4. The price so-stated constitutes full and complete compensation for all labor, materials, and equipment and for all other incidentals required to finish the work, complete and accepted by Owner.

E. Item 5. Install New Meter

1. Measurement

a. The Work of this section shall consist of installing new water meter and radio

frequency encoder provided by Owner, including furnishing and installing couplings and all other equipment and materials for the satisfactory installation of hardware.

- b. Removal of existing meter and radio frequency encoder is required as part of this item. Hardware shall be returned to Owner unless otherwise directed.
- c. Meter couplings will supplied by Owner for installation by Contractor.

2. Payment

- a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each water meter and encoder installed by Contractor, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 5.
- F. Item 6, Furnish and Install Residential Dual Check Backflow Preventer

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall consist of furnishing and installing new residential, dual check backflow preventer on each water service except as otherwise directed. The work of this section also includes furnishing and installing expansion tank or pressure relief valve as required.
- b. Removal and disposal of existing pipe and appurtenances to provide for the proper installation of backflow preventer, expansion tank, pressure relief valve, and other fittings and appurtenances meter is incidental to the work of this section and there will be no separate payment made.

2. Payment

- a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each residential dual check backflow preventer furnished and installed by Contractor, upon review and acceptance by Owner, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No.
 6.
- G. Item 7, Furnish and Install Reduced Pressure Zone Backflow Preventer

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall consist of furnishing and installing new testable, reduced pressure zone (RPZ) backflow preventer on service lines where required as described in the Contract Documents. The work of this section also includes furnishing and installing expansion tank or pressure relief valve as required.
- b. Removal and disposal of existing pipe and appurtenances to provide for the proper installation of backflow preventer, expansion tank, pressure relief valve, and other fittings and appurtenances meter is incidental to the work of this section and there will be no separate payment made.
- c. Contractor shall test each reduced pressure zone backflow preventer per City of

Woonsocket requirements as part of the work of this item. Backflow preventers found to be non-conforming shall be removed and replaced at no cost to Owner.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each reduced pressure zone backflow preventer furnished and installed by Contractor, upon review and acceptance by Owner, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 7.

H. Item 8, Furnish and Install Water Heater Expansion Tank

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured based on each domestic supply reconnected following replacement of lead service piping.
- b. Installation of new water heater expansion tanks and required fittings shall be paid for under this bid item. For the purposes of bidding, it shall be assumed that all existing water heater expansion tanks will be replaced.
- c. The Contractor shall be responsible for moving and restoring any items on the interior of the home that infringe upon the work. Any damages caused by removing and restoring existing items will be Contractor's responsibility.
- d. The Contractor is responsible for any modifications to the interior plumbing necessary to install new water service. New interior water shut-off valves (ball valves) shall be installed on either side of meter.
- e. The Contractor shall be responsible for removing any debris generated by the work on the interior and exterior of the building and restore the area around the water service as nearly as practicable to its original condition.
- f. As part of this item, the Contractor shall furnish and supply each customer effected by a lead service line replacement with a pitcher filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, as well as 6 months of replacement filter cartridges. For water services that serve more than one residence or business unit, a pitcher filter and filter cartridges must be provided to each residence or business unit. The distribution of pitcher filters and filter cartridges must be performed at the time of lead service replacement and before the service is put back into use. This shall be coordinated with the City so that water department personnel can provide required notification and guidance material to each customer.

2. Payment

- a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each water heater expansion tank installed by Contractor, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 8.
- b. Payment will be made upon satisfactory inspection by the City of Woonsocket

Plumbing Inspector.

I. Item 9, Pavement Restoration

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured per ton as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Bid Proposal Form to furnish and install bituminous material as required for restoring disturbed pavements. Only bituminous material installed to its specified thickness as indicated in the Contract Documents shall be considered for payment.
- b. No excavations shall be left open overnight unless allowed by Owner with appropriate controls (e.g., steel plates) in place. No unpaved trench shall be left unpaved over any weekend or holiday.
- c. Furnishing and installing pavement subbase material is incidental to this work and shall be included in this item.
- d. Permanent restoration of cement concrete sidewalk will be performed by Owner and is not included in this Item. Bituminous pavement placed as a temporary patch in areas of concrete sidewalk disturbed by this work shall be payable under this Item.
- e. The total quantity of pavement placed shall be verified by Owner prior to payment. Payment quantity shall be based on weight slips furnished by Contractor so long as the permissible pavement thickness is applied.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each ton of bituminous pavement furnished and installed by Contractor, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 9.

J. Item 10, Concrete Walk and Step Restoration

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured per square yard as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Bid Proposal Form to furnish and install cement concrete as required for restoring walkways and steps disturbed as part of construction. Only cement concrete material placed to match existing thickness shall be considered for payment.
- b. No excavations shall be left open overnight unless allowed by Owner with appropriate controls (e.g., steel plates) in place. No unpaved trench shall be left unpaved over any weekend or holiday.
- c. Furnishing and installing pavement subbase material is incidental to this work and shall be included in this item.
- d. Permanent restoration of cement concrete sidewalk will be performed by

Owner and is not included in this Item.

e. Welded wire fabric used to restore concrete walkways is incidental to the work of this item.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each square yard of concrete walkway and steps furnished and installed by Contractor, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 10.

K. Item 11, Non-Pavement Restoration

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Proposal form for each Square Yard of non-pavement restoration completed. This work shall include restoration of grassed areas with 4" of loam and seed and restoring mulched planting areas disturbed as a result of the project.
- b. Areas that are disturbed outside of the pay limits defined in the contract documents shall be restored by Contractor but not measured for payment.
- Costs associated with maintenance of loamed and seeded areas and new plantings shall be included in this bid item.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each ton of permanent bituminous trench patch furnished and installed by Contractor, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 11.

L. Item 12, Remove and Reset Granite Curbing

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Bid Proposal Form for each Linear Foot of granite curbing removed and reset as required in the course of the work of this Contract. This item shall include excavation, pavement/concrete saw cutting, removing and disposing of pavement/concrete, removing excess soil, furnishing and installing required bedding material, and furnishing and installing concrete as called for in the Contract Documents.
- b. Cutting of existing granite curbing shall not be allowed; granite curbing shall be removed as whole pieces and reset as whole pieces.
- c. Cost for safe and proper storage of the granite curbing after being removed shall be included in this bid item.

2. **Payment**

Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each linear foot of granite curbing removed and reset, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 12.

M. Item 13, Rock Removal

1. Measurement

- The Work of this section shall be measured by the cubic yard quantity of inplace rock or boulders larger than 1 cubic yard in size that require removal.
- The Owner has not performed subsurface investigations and is not aware of areas where rock is likely to be encountered. When rock is encountered, the material shall be uncovered and Owner notified. The Contractor shall quantities by volumetric computation determined determine measurements performed before rock excavation begins and measurements performed after completion of rock excavation, subject to verification by Owner based on their own measurements. If the Contractor fails to uncover the rock and notify the Owner to allow ample time for cross sectioning the undisturbed material, the Contractor shall have no right-of-claim to any classification other than that allowed by Owner.
- Measurements of rock excavation within a trench shall be in accordance with the trench limits shown on the project details. Measurements shall be to 1/10 cubic yard accuracy. The depth of rock removal will be limited to 12" below the bottom of the pipe or structure. No compensation will be made for rock excavated beyond the limits described in the Contract Documents and in these specifications, unless specifically authorized in writing by the Owner. The Contractor should include in the price provided for this bid item any and all costs associated with over excavation of rock beyond pay limits that they deem necessary for construction purposes due to their own means and methods.
- This work shall include excavation, breaking (mechanical removal), hauling off site and legal disposal of rock in accordance with the requirements of Section 02200; backfilling; and providing screened gravel for any deficiency of trench backfill and all work incidental thereto, for which payment is not provided under other items.

2. Payment

Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each cubic yard of rock removed, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 13.

Item 14, Remove and Replace Unsuitable Material N.

1. Measurement

The Work of this section shall be measured by the cubic yard quantity of unsuitable material that requires removal, offsite disposal, and replacement with suitable material meeting project specifications.

- b. The Owner has not performed subsurface investigations and is not aware of areas where unsuitable material is expected. When Contractor suspects that unsuitable material has been encountered, the material shall be uncovered and Owner notified for verification. The Contractor shall determine quantities by volumetric computation determined from measurements performed from the excavation, upon verification by Owner from their own measurements. If the Contractor fails to uncover the material and notify the Owner to allow ample time for cross-sectioning the undisturbed material, the Contractor shall have no right-of-claim to any classification other than that allowed by Owner.
- c. Measurements of unsuitable material within a trench shall be in accordance with the trench limits shown on the project details. Measurements shall be to 1/10 cubic yard accuracy. Unsuitable material shall be removed to the trench limits provided on project details. No compensation will be made for unsuitable material excavated beyond the limits described in the Contract Documents and specifications, unless authorized in writing by Owner.
- d. This work shall include excavation, hauling off site, and legal disposal of unsuitable material in accordance with the requirements of Section 02200 and all applicable regulations; backfilling; and providing screened gravel for any deficiency of trench backfill and all work incidental thereto, for which payment is not provided under other items.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each cubic yard of unsuitable material removed and replaced, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 14.

O. Item 15, Tree Removal (Up to 12-inch Diameter)

1. Measurement

- a. The Work of this section shall be measured for each tree, up to 12 inches in diameter, removed in its entirety where required to permit construction of lead service line replacements.
- b. Tree removal is only permitted upon approval of Owner and where agreed to by property owner.

2. Payment

- a. Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each tree up to 12 inches in diameter removed under this Contract, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 15.
- P. Item 16, Tree Removal (Larger than 12-inch Diameter)

1. Measurement

a. The Work of this section shall be measured for each tree, larger than 12 inches

in diameter, removed in its entirety where required to permit construction of lead service line replacements.

Tree removal is only permitted upon approval of Owner and where agreed to by property owner.

2. Payment

Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each tree larger than 12 inches in diameter that is removed under this Contract, as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 16.

O. Item 17, Tree Protection Device

1. Measurement

- The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Bid Proposal Form for each Linear Foot of tree protection device fencing installed and maintained by Contractor, where directed by Owner.
- The Work of this section includes removal of tree protection device fence once site disturbance and restoration is complete.

2. **Payment**

Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each linear foot of tree protection device installed as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 17.

Item 18, Segmental Block Retaining Wall Remove and Reset R.

1. Measurement

The Work of this section shall be measured as specified at the Unit Price provided on the Bid Proposal Form for each Linear Foot of existing, loose segmental block retaining wall removed and reset to permit installation of water service.

2. **Payment**

Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price for each linear foot of segmental block retaining wall removed and reset as listed on the Bid Proposal Form for Bid Item No. 18.

S. Item 19, Support Existing Utilities (Allowance)

Measurement 1.

Under this bid item, the Contractor will be paid based on the actual paid invoiced amount from the Utility Company in question, or direct labor and materials costs incurred by the Contractor, as approved by Owner with relation to supporting existing utilities as required to permit installation of new water service.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made from the allowance amount established upon Contractor furnishing receipt of payment of invoice from applicable Utility Company.

T. Item 20, Non-Standard Restoration (Allowance)

1. Measurement

- a. Under this bid item, the Contractor will be reimbursed for non-standard restoration not included for payment under other items (e.g., fence and signpost removal and reset, concrete retaining wall removal and replacement, etc.).
- b. Contractor shall make every effort through to minimize disturbance requiring restoration through their construction means and methods (e.g., realignment of water service, tunneling where feasible, etc.).
- c. The cost for non-standard restoration work to be paid for under this allowance item shall be negotiated with the City prior to performing the Work. Payment for any non-standard restoration work conducted by Contractor prior to an agreed upon price will be at the sole discretion of the City.

2. Payment

a. Payment for this item shall be made from the allowance amount established on the Bid Form.

U. Item 21, City of Woonsocket Permit Fees (Allowance)

1. Measurement

- a. Under this bid item, the Contractor will be reimbursed for the actual amount paid to the City of Woonsocket for Utility Connection Permit Fees.
- b. Water service connection fees will be waived by the City for the Work of this contract. Only concrete sidewalk restoration fees will be charged to Contractor.

2. Payment

 Payment for this item shall be made from the allowance amount established upon Contractor furnishing receipt of payment of permit fees to the City of Woonsocket.

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Inspection and Testing
- B. Application for Payment
- C. Change Procedures

1.2 INSPECTION AND TESTING

- A. The Contractor shall pay all costs of engaging an inspection or testing firm, execution of inspection or tests, and reporting results.
- B. Costs Included:
 - 1. Incidental labor and facilities required to assist inspection or testing firm.
 - 2. Costs of testing laboratory services required by the Contractor separate from Contract Document requirements.
 - 3. Costs of retesting upon failure of previous tests as determined by Engineer.

C. Payment Procedures:

- 1. Submit three (3) copies of the inspection or testing firm's invoice with next application for payment.
- 2. Pay invoice on approval by Engineer.

1.3 APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT

- A. Submit three copies of each application.
- B. For each item, provide a column listing: Item Number; Description of Work; Scheduled Value; Previous Applications; Work in Place and Stored Materials under this Application; Authorized Change Orders; Total Completed and Stored to Date of Application; Percentage of Completion; Balance to Finish; and Retainage.
- C. Present required information in typewritten form.
- D. Execute certification by signature of authorized officer.
- E. Use data from approved Schedule of Values. Provide dollar value in each column for each line item for portion of work performed and for stored products.
- F. List each authorized Change Order as an extension on continuation sheet, listing Change Order number and dollar amount as for an original item of work.

1.4 CHANGE PROCEDURES

- A. Owner or their designee will advise of minor changes in the work not involving an adjustment to Contract Sum/Price or Contract Time, as authorized by Owner, by issuing written supplemental instructions.
- B. Owner or their designee may issue a Notice of Change which includes a detailed description of a proposed change with supplementary or revised drawings and specifications, a change in Contract Time for executing the change with a stipulation of any overtime work required and the period of time during which the requested price will be considered valid. Contractor will prepare and submit an estimate within seven (7) days.
- C. The Contractor may propose a change by submitting request for change to the Owner, describing the proposed change and its full effect on the work. Include a statement describing the reason for the change, and the effect on the Contract Sum/Price and Contract Time with full documentation and a statement describing the effect on work by separate or other contractors. No change will be allowed except under written approval and Notice of Change by Owner or their designee. Verbal orders are not binding.
- D. Stipulated Sum/Price Change Order: Based on Notice of Change and Contractor's estimated price quotation.
- E. Unit Price Change Order: For pre-determined unit prices and quantities, the Change Order will be executed on a fixed unit price basis. For unit costs or quantities of units of work, which are not pre-determined, execute work under a Work Directive Change. Changes in Contract Sum/Price or Contract Time will be computed as specified for Time and Material Change Order.
- F. Time and Material Change Order: Submit itemized account and supporting data after completion of change, within time limits indicated in the Conditions of the Contract. The Owner or their designee will determine the change allowable in Contract Sum/Price and Contract Time as provided in the Contract Documents.
- G. Maintain detailed records of work done on Time and Material basis. Provide full information required for evaluation of proposed changes, and to substantiate costs for changes in the work.
- H. Execution of Change Orders: The Owner or their designee will issue Change Orders for signatures of parties as provided in the Conditions of the Contract.

PART 2 PRODUCTS (Not Used)

PART 3 EXECUTION (Not Used)

1.1 DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

- A. This Section specifies the general methods and requirements of submissions applicable to the following work-related submittals: Shop Drawings, Product Data, and other information as specified herein. Detailed submittal requirements will be specified in the technical specification sections.
- B. All submittals shall be clearly identified by reference to Specification Section, Paragraph, Drawing Number, or Detail as applicable. Submittals shall be clear and legible and of sufficient size for sufficient presentation of data.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

- A. The Contractor shall submit shop drawings on all equipment, materials, and all miscellaneous items to be incorporated into the Work. All shop drawings shall be submitted in a format mutually agreed to during pre-construction meeting.
- B. Such drawings shall be project-specific and shall show the principal dimensions, weight, structural and operating features, space required, clearances, type and/or brand of finish or shop coat, etc., depending on the subject of the drawing. When it is customary to do so, when the dimensions are of particular importance, or when so specified, the drawings shall be certified by the manufacturer or fabricator as correct for the Contract.
- C. When so specified or if considered, in advance, by Owner to be acceptable, manufacturer's specifications, catalog data, descriptive matter, illustrations, etc., may be submitted in place of shop and working drawings.
- D. The Contractor shall be responsible for the prompt and timely submittal of all shop and working drawings so that there shall be no delay to the Work due to the absence of such drawings. Prior to the submittal of any shop drawings, the Contractor shall submit a schedule of proposed shop drawing transmittals. The schedule shall identify the subject matter of each transmittal, the corresponding specification section number and the proposed date of submission. During the progress of the Work the schedule shall be revised and resubmitted as necessary.
- E. The Contractor shall review shop drawings and product data, including those by subcontractors, prior to submission to determine and verify the following:
 - 1. Field measurements
 - 2. Field construction criteria
 - 3. Catalog numbers and similar data
 - 4. Conformance with the Specifications
- F. No material or equipment shall be purchased or fabricated especially for the Contract until the required shop and working drawings have been submitted as hereinabove provided and approved for conformance to the Contract requirements. All such materials and equipment

- and the work involved in their installation or incorporation into the Work shall then be as shown in and represented by said drawings.
- G. Until the necessary approvals have been made, the Contractor shall not proceed with any portion of the Work, the design or details of which are dependent upon the design or details of work, materials, equipment or other features for which review is required.
- H. All shop and working drawings shall be submitted to the Engineer by and/or through the Contractor, who shall be responsible for obtaining shop and working drawings from his subcontractors and returning reviewed drawings to them.
- I. If a shop drawing shows any deviation from the Contract requirements, the Contractor shall clearly note the deviations when transmitting shop drawing to Owner for review (e.g, provide a description of the deviations in a letter attached to the submittal).
- J. The review of shop and working drawings hereunder will be general only, and shall not relieve, diminish, or alter in any respect the responsibilities of the Contractor under the Contract Documents and in particular, the specific responsibility of the Contractor for details of design and dimensions necessary for proper fitting and construction of the work as required by the Contract and for achieving the result and performance specified thereunder.
- K. Should the Contractor submit equipment that requires modifications to the structures, piping, electrical conduit, wires and appurtenances, layout, etc., detailed or described in the Contract Documents, he shall also submit details of the proposed modifications. If such equipment and modifications are accepted, the Contractor, at no additional cost to the Owner, shall do all work necessary to make such modifications.
- L. The Contractor shall provide a written letter with the shop drawing from an executive with the manufacturer certifying the product meets the American Iron and Steel requirement.

1.3 SUBMITTAL PROCEDURES

- A. Make submittals promptly as to cause no delay in the Work. Coordinate submission of related items.
- B. Identify Contract, Contractor, Subcontractor and/or Supplier; pertinent drawing sheet and detail number(s), and specification section number, as appropriate. Clearly indicate model and options being proposed and strike out all non-relevant data.
- C. Only drawings that have been checked and corrected by the fabricator should be submitted to the Contractor by his subcontractors and vendors. Prior to submitting drawings to the Engineer, the Contractor shall stamp and sign them certifying that review, verification of products required, field dimensions, adjacent construction work, and coordination of information, is in accordance with the requirements of the Work and Contract Documents.
- D. All technical submittals or calculations shall bear the stamp and signature of a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Rhode Island.

- E. Identify variations from Contract Documents and product which may be detrimental to successful performance of the completed Work.
- F. Revise and resubmit submittals within 14 days. Identify all changes made since previous submittal.
- G. All shop drawings submitted by subcontractors for approval shall be sent directly to the Contractor for checking. The Contractor shall be responsible for their submission at the proper time so as to prevent delays in delivery of materials.
- H. The Contractor shall check all subcontractors' shop drawings to verify measurements, size of members, materials, and details to satisfy himself that they conform to the intent of the Drawings and Specifications. Shop drawings found to be inaccurate or otherwise in error shall be returned to the subcontractors for correction before submission to the Engineer for approval.
- I. All details on shop drawings submitted for approval shall show clearly the relation of the various parts to the main members and lines of the structure and where correct fabrication of the work depends upon field measurements, such measurements shall be made and noted on the drawings before submitted for approval.
- J. Project work, materials, fabrication, and installation shall conform with approved shop drawings and product data.

1.5 SUBMITTALS REQUIRED

- A. Submit a list of Shop Drawings indicating specification section number, contents, proposed numbering system, and time schedule for preparation and submission for all Shop Drawings for the Contract. This list should be provided within 30 days after the Notice to Proceed.
- B. All shop drawings may be submitted electronically.
- C. Submittals should include:
 - 1. The date of submission and the dates of any previous submissions.
 - 2. The Project title and number
 - 3. Contractor identification.
 - 4. The names of:
 - a. Contractor
 - b. Supplier
 - c. Manufacturer
 - 5. Identification of the product, with the specification section number, page and paragraph(s).
 - 6. Field dimensions, clearly identified as such.
 - 7. Relation to adjacent or critical features of the Work or materials.
 - 8. Applicable standards, such as ASTM or Federal Specification numbers.
 - 9. Identification of deviations from Contract Documents.
 - 10. Identification of revisions on resubmittals.
 - 11. A blank space suitably sized for the Contractor and the Engineer stamps.

1.6 REVIEW OF SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA AND WORKING DRAWINGS

- A. The review of shop drawings and data will be for general conformance with the design concept and Contract Documents. They shall not be construed:
 - 1. as permitting any departure from the Contract requirements;
 - 2. as relieving the Contractor of responsibility for any errors, including details, dimensions, and materials;
 - 3. as approving departures from details furnished by Owner or the Engineer, except as otherwise provided herein.
- B. The Contractor remains responsible for details and accuracy, for coordinating the work with all other associated work and trades, for selecting fabrication processes, for techniques of assembly, and for performing work in a safe manner.
- C. If the shop drawings or data as submitted describe variations and show a departure from the Contract requirements which the Engineer finds to be in the interest of the Owner and to be so minor as not to involve a change in Contract Price or time for performance, the Engineer may return the reviewed drawings without noting an exception.
- D. Submittals will be returned to the Contractor with a code indicating whether or not the submittal was approved and whether or not it has to be resubmitted.
- E. Resubmittals will be handled in the same manner as first submittals. On resubmittals, the Contractor shall direct the reviewer's attention, by use of revision triangles or other clear, written notation, to revisions other than the corrections requested on previous submissions. Such revisions shall be so noted on the letter of transmittal and on the resubmitted shop drawings. All such revisions which are not clearly identified shall be made at the risk of the Contractor. The Contractor shall make corrections as may be required by the Engineer to all work done because of this type revision that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- F. Partial submittals may not be reviewed. Owner or Engineer will be the only judge as to the completeness of a submittal. Submittals not complete will be returned to the Contractor and will be considered "Not Approved" until resubmitted. Owner or Engineer may, at their option, provide a list or mark the submittal directing the Contractor to the areas that are incomplete.

G. Repetitive Review

- 1. Shop drawings and other submittals will be reviewed no more than twice at the Owner's expense. All subsequent reviews will be performed at times convenient to the Engineer and at the Contractor's expense, based on the Engineer's then prevailing rates. The Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for all such fees invoiced to the Owner by the Engineer. Submittals are required until approved.
- 2. Any need for more than one resubmission, or any other delay in obtaining Engineer's review of submittals, will not entitle Contractor to extension of the Contract Time.
- H. If the Contractor considers any correction indicated on the shop drawings to constitute a change to the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall give written notice thereof to the Engineer at least seven working days prior to release for manufacture.

I. When the shop drawings have been completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer, the Contractor shall carry out the construction in accordance therewith and shall make no further changes therein except upon written instructions from the Engineer.

1.7 DISTRIBUTION

A. Distribute reproductions of approved shop drawings and copies of approved product data, where required, to field personnel as required. Owner and Engineer will retain their own copies of approved shop drawings.

1.8 GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTALS

A. Coordination of Submittal Times: Prepare and transmit each submittal sufficiently in advance of performing the related work or other applicable activities, or within the time specified in the individual work sections of the Specifications, so that the installation will not be delayed by processing times including disapproval and resubmittal (if required), coordination with other submittals, testing, purchasing, fabrication, delivery and similar sequenced activities. No extension of time will be authorized because of the Contractor's failure to transmit submittals sufficiently in advance of the Work.

1.9 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER (P.E.) CERTIFICATION FORM

- A. If specifically required in other related Sections, submit a P.E. Certification for each item required, in the form attached to this Section, completely filled in and stamped.
- PART 2 PRODUCTS (Not Used)
- PART 3 EXECUTION (Not Used)

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Coordination
- B. Field Engineering
- C. Pre-construction Conference
- D. Progress Meetings

1.2 COORDINATION

- A. Coordinate scheduling, submittals, and work of the various sections of specifications to assure efficient and orderly sequence of installation of interdependent construction elements, with provisions for accommodating items installed later.
- B. Coordinate completion and cleanup of work of separate sections in preparation for Substantial Completion.
- C. Coordinate all work with private property owners in advance. Contractor is responsible for scheduling work such that the project is completed by the Substantial Completion date established in the Contract.

1.3 FIELD ENGINEERING

A. The Contractor shall provide all field engineering required to complete work as specified in the Contract Documents.

1.4 PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETING

- A. Owner shall schedule and administer pre-construction meeting within fifteen (15) days after date of notice to proceed. Owner, or their designee, shall:
 - 1. Prepare agenda for meeting.
 - 2. Notify all parties required to attend meeting.
 - 3. Make physical arrangements for meeting.
 - 4. Preside at meeting.
 - 5. Record the minutes, including significant proceeding and decisions.
- B. Location: A central site, convenient for all parties, designated by the Owner.
- C. Attendance:
 - 1. Owner or representative.
 - 2. Engineer and his professional consultants.
 - 3. Resident project representative (if assigned).
 - 4. Contractor's superintendent.
 - 5. Major Subcontractors.
 - 6. Major Suppliers
 - 7. Others as appropriate.

- E. Suggested Agenda:
 - 1. Distribution and discussion of:
 - a. List of major Subcontractors and suppliers.
 - b. Project construction schedules.
 - 2. Critical work sequencing.
 - 3. Major equipment deliveries and priorities.
 - 4. Project coordination.
 - a. Designation of responsible personnel.
 - b. Lines of communication.
 - 5. Procedures and processing of:
 - a. Field decisions.
 - b. Proposal requests.
 - c. Submittals
 - d. Change Orders
 - e. Applications for Payment
 - 6. Adequacy of distribution of contract documents.
 - 7. Procedures for maintaining record documents.
 - 8. Use of Premises:
 - a. Private properties.
 - b. Office, work and storage areas.
 - c. Owner's requirements
 - 9. Construction facilities, controls and construction aids.
 - 10. Safety and first-aid procedures.
 - 11. Security procedures.
 - 12. Housekeeping procedures.
 - 13. Place, date, and time for regular progress meetings.

1.5 PROGRESS MEETINGS

- A. Regularly scheduled progress meetings will not be established at the outset of the project but will be held if deemed necessary during the progression of the work. Owner will determine need for such meetings and Contractor's attendance is required. If scheduled, Owner shall:
 - 1. Prepare agenda for meetings.
 - 2. Distribute written notice of each meeting three (3) days in advance of meeting date.
 - 3. Make physical arrangements for meetings.
 - 4. Preside at meetings.
 - 5. Record the minutes: Include significant proceedings and decisions.
 - 6. Reproduce and distribute copies of minutes to participants in the meeting and those parties affected by decisions made at the meeting.
- B. Representatives of Contractors and suppliers attending meeting shall be qualified and authorized to act on behalf of the entity each represents.
- C. Attendance at progress meeting will generally be Contractor, Owner, and Engineer but may also include subcontractors or suppliers, as appropriate to the agenda.

The meeting agenda will be specific to the reasons Owner determines that the meeting is required (e.g., cost or schedule change, dispute resolution, etc.).

1.1 GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONTRACTOR

A. General obligations of the Contractor shall be as set forth in the Contract Documents. Unless special payment is specifically provided in the payment paragraphs of the specifications, all incidental work and expense in connection with the completion of work under the Contract will be considered a subsidiary obligation of the Contractor and all such costs shall be included in the appropriate items in the Bid Form in connection with which the costs are incurred.

1.2 SITE INVESTIGATION

A. The Contractor shall satisfy himself/herself as to the conditions existing within the project area, the type of equipment required to perform the work, the character, quality and quantity of the subsurface materials to be encountered insofar as this information is reasonably ascertainable from an inspection of the site, as well as from information presented by the Drawings and Specifications. Any failure of the Contractor to acquaint himself/herself with the available information will not relieve him/her from the responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the work. The Owner assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretation made by the Contractor on the basis of the information made available by the Owner.

1.3 CONTRACTOR'S EMERGENCY CONTACT AND RESPONSE REQUIREMENT

- A. The Contractor will be required to designate a contact person as well as an emergency response crew who can be notified by Owner and the Engineer during Contract related emergencies, 7 days a week, 24 hours a day throughout the length of this Contract.
- B. The name of the designated person, a daytime contact telephone number, an evening contact telephone number, and a cellular telephone number must be furnished to the Owner at the pre-construction meeting. The Contractor must also provide a mobile cellular telephone that will remain at the construction site during the hours of construction.
- C. The contact person shall be required to respond to any Owner notification in this regard within one hour of such notice by calling the Water Superintendent at (401) 767-2619 during normal working hours or the 24-Hour Operations number at (401) 426-5523. Upon being advised by the Owner of the location and nature of the emergency, the Contractor will be required to provide an emergency coordinator or contact at the site within one hour of the initial notification and to mobilize the necessary response crew(s) and have them at the site of the emergency within two hours of the initial notification.
- D. The Contractor's failure to comply with the above notification and response requirements shall result in a one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) fine for each failure to respond as indicted in 1.3.C. In addition, the Contractor shall be liable for any and all damages, liabilities and costs which result from his/her failure to respond to any emergency within the designated time periods. Owner assumes no responsibility or costs for the Contractor's negligence in complying with these requirements. If the subject fine or

other liabilities are not paid by the Contractor upon request, it shall be deducted from any payment(s) which may be due to the Contractor by Owner, solely at the Owner's discretion.

- E. The Contractor shall not use Owner's personnel to fulfill these requirements.
- F. This requirement shall be considered an incidental part of the Contract, no matter how many times the Contractor is alerted during this Contract, and no payment will be made for any costs incurred or associated with the emergency contact and response requirements.

1.4 PUBLIC UTILITIES

A. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Rhode Island General Law (RIGL) Chapter 39 Section 1.2.

1.5 PERMITS

A. The Contractor shall obtain any necessary permits for proper execution of the project. The Contractor shall fill out all forms and furnish all drawings required to obtain the permits. A copy of the approved permits shall be submitted to Owner. All fees associated with these permits shall be paid by the Contractor as part of the project. Work shall not commence on any phase of the work requiring a permit until the permit is obtained.

1.6 OWNER FURNISHED MATERIALS

- A. The Woonsocket Water Department will provide water meter to be installed by Contractor.
- B. The Contractor shall receive materials to be furnished by the Owner onsite and shall be responsible for off-loading, storage, and handling thereafter. Owner shall not coordinate multiple deliveries for convenience of the Contractor.
- C. The Contractor shall provide adequate personnel, equipment and space at the time of delivery of materials. All costs associated with rescheduling and delays in receiving materials, beyond the initial scheduled delivery date, shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

1.7 SCHEDULE

A. The Contractor shall complete the project within the time set in the Notice to Proceed. Contractor will be subject to liquidated damages payable to the City in accordance with the Agreement for each day the project extends beyond the established completion date.

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Quality Assurance and Control of Installation
- B. References
- C. Field samples
- D. Inspection and testing laboratory services
- E. Manufacturers' field services and reports

1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Section 01300 Submittal Procedures
- B. Section 01600 Material and Equipment

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND CONTROL OF INSTALLATION

- A. Monitor quality control over suppliers, manufacturers, products, services, site conditions, and workmanship to produce work of specified quality.
- B. Comply fully with manufacturers' instructions, including each step in sequence.
- C. Should manufacturers' instructions conflict with Contract Documents, request clarification from Engineer before proceeding.
- D. Comply with specified standards as a minimum quality for the work except when more stringent tolerances, codes or specified requirements indicate higher standards or more precise workmanship.
- E. Perform work by persons qualified to produce workmanship of specified quality.
- F. Secure products in place with positive anchorage devices designed and sized to withstand stresses, vibration, physical distortion or disfigurement.

1.4 REFERENCES

- A. Conform to reference standard by date of issue current on date of Contract Documents.
- B. Obtain copies of standards when required by Contract Documents.
- C. Should specified reference standards conflict with Contract Documents, request clarification from Owner before proceeding.
- D. The contractual relationship of the parties to the Contract shall not be altered from the

Contract Documents by mention of inference otherwise in any reference document.

1.5 FIELD SAMPLES

- Install field samples at the site for review, as required by individual specification sections. Α.
- В. Acceptable samples represent a quality level for the work.
- C. Where field sample is specified in individual sections to be removed, clear area after field sample has been accepted by Owner.

INSPECTION AND TESTING LABORATORY SERVICES 1.6

- The Contractor shall submit names of all the firms to be utilized for testing and analytical Α. services for approval by Owner. No results or observations will be accepted unless performed by an approved testing firm.
- B. The testing firm will perform inspections, tests and other services specified in individual specification sections and as required by Owner.
- C. Reports will be submitted by the testing firm to Owner indicating observations and results of tests, and compliance or non-compliance with Contract Documents.
- D. Cooperate with testing firm, furnish samples of materials, design mix, equipment, tools, storage, access, and assistance as requested.
 - Notify Owner and testing firm seven (7) days prior to requiring services. 1.
 - All costs associated with testing will be paid by the Contractor.
- Re-testing required due to non-conformance to specified requirements, shall be performed E. by the same testing firm per instructions by Owner. Payment for re-testing will be paid by the Contractor with no additional cost to the Owner.

1.7 MANUFACTURER'S FIELD SERVICES AND REPORTS

- Submit qualifications of observer to Owner 30 days in advance of required observations. A. Observer subject to Owner approval.
- B. When specified in individual specification sections, require material or product suppliers or manufacturers to provide qualified staff personnel to observe site conditions, conditions of surfaces and installation, quality of workmanship, start-up of equipment, testing, adjusting and balance of equipment as applicable, and to initiate instructions when necessary.
- C. Individuals to report observations and site decisions or instructions given to applicators or installers that are supplemental or contrary to manufacturers' written instructions.
- Submit report in duplicate to Owner for review, within 30 days of observation. D.

PART 2 PRODUCTS (Not Used)

PART 3 EXECUTION (Not Used)

1.1 SCOPE

- A. This Section specifies the general requirements for traffic regulation, minimum performance criteria for maintenance and protection of traffic, road closures, and coordination with other parties for the duration of the Work.
- B. The Contractor shall perform construction from outside roadways to the greatest extent possible while safely performing the Work, to minimize impact to traffic. When work from within the public right of way is required, the Contractor shall be responsible for the maintenance and protection of traffic on public roadways impacted by its operations for the duration of the Work.
- C. The Contractor shall obtain permission from the City of Woonsocket, and the Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT) when necessary, for temporary traffic control measures required in performing the Work.
- D. The Contractor shall provide a sufficient number of travel lanes and pedestrian passageways to move all traffic ordinarily using the project area at all times. No closure of any street will be allowed unless expressly authorized by writing by the City or RIDOT, as applicable.
- E. Related work described elsewhere:
 - a. General Description of Work, Section 01100

1.2 REFERENCE STANDARDS

- A. Federal Highway Administration, Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), 2009 Edition.
- B. Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 TRAFFIC CONTROL FACILITIES

- A. Temporary traffic control equipment shall be furnished by the Contractor at the start of construction, adjusted as needed throughout the course of the Work and removed or restored at the completion of the Work.
- B. Traffic devices and markings shall conform to Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction Divisions I & III and the FHWA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), 2009 Edition.

C. The Contractor shall restore all public roads and traffic control devices to a condition equal to, or better than that that existed prior to the Work.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

- A. The Contractor shall not close any State or City streets or rights-of-way without prior permission from the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and/or the City of Woonsocket. The Contractor shall maintain existing traffic flows to all areas adjacent to the work areas. The Contractor shall not close or obstruct any portion of a street, road, or private way that shall be rendered unsafe by the Contractor's operations. Instead, the Contractor shall make such repairs or provide such temporary ways or guards as shall be acceptable to the proper authorities.
- B. Streets, roads, private ways, driveways, and walks not closed shall be accessible and maintained passable and safe by the Contractor, who shall assume and have full responsibility for adequacy and safety of provisions made therefore.
- C. Throughout the duration of the Work, the Contractor shall maintain all temporary and permanent traffic control facilities, signs, barricades and other protective devices in a sturdy, clean, legible condition and at the locations designated by the MPOT Plan. The Contractor shall cover or remove signs not in use. Maintenance of devices will include repairing; adjusting; washing; repainting, and the re-application of reflective sheeting.
- D. Care shall be exercised such that weeds, shrubbery, and construction materials, equipment, and spoils do not obscure the message of any sign, light, or barricade.
- E. No defective and/or damaged devices shall be installed. Devices showing defects or damage shall be either repaired or removed and replaced at no additional cost to the Owner.
- F. Any and all costs of fines levied for violation of any permit requirements which are a direct result of Contractor's performance or non-compliance with issued permits or applicable regulations shall be paid by Contractor at no cost to the Owner.
- G. Travel lanes and pedestrian passageways shall be drained and kept neat and reasonably smooth and in suitable condition at all times in order to provide minimum interference to vehicular and pedestrian traffic consistent with the proper prosecution of the work.
- H. Suitable ingress and egress shall be provided at all times where required, for all intersecting roads and driveways, and for all abutting properties having legal access.
- I. The Contractor shall keep all signs in proper position, clean and legible at all times. Care shall be taken so that weeds, shrubbery, construction materials or equipment, and spoil, are not allowed to obscure any sign, light or barricade. Signs that do not apply to existing conditions shall be removed or adjusted so that the legend is not visible to approaching traffic.
- J. Should the Contractor fail to perform any of the work required under this Section, the Owner may perform or arrange for others to perform such work. In such cases, the

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Owner will deduct from money due or to become due to the Contractor all expenses connected therewith which are found to be greater than the cost to the Owner had the Contractor performed the specified work.

K. At no time shall the Contractor leave equipment or materials in the travel lanes or pedestrian walkways overnight without permission from the Engineer and without proper signs and lighted barricades.

3.2 PARKING

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for managing employee parking throughout the duration of the Contract. The Contractor shall secure and establish parking at work site in a legal and safe manner that does not adversely affect traffic flows on public roads.
- B. The Contractor is responsible for all cost associated with no parking postings.

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 RELATED SECTIONS

A. Section 00200 - Instructions for Bidders

1.2 PRODUCTS

- A. Includes new material, machinery, components, equipment, fixtures and systems forming the work. Does not include machinery and equipment used for preparation, fabrication, conveying and erection of the work. Products may also include existing materials or components required for reuse.
- B. Do not use materials and equipment removed from existing premises, except as specifically permitted by the Contract Documents.
- C. Provide interchangeable components of the same manufacturer for similar components.

1.3 TRANSPORTATION AND HANDLING

- A. Transport and handle products in accordance with manufacturers' instructions.
- B. Promptly inspect shipments to assure that products comply with requirements, quantities are correct, and products are undamaged.
- C. Provide equipment and personnel to handle products by methods to prevent soiling, disfigurement, or damage.

1.4 STORAGE AND PROTECTION

- A. Store and protect products in accordance with manufacturers' instructions, with seals and labels intact and legible. Store sensitive products in weather tight climate-controlled enclosures.
- B. For exterior storage of fabricated products, place on sloped supports, above ground.
- C. Provide off-site storage and protection.
- D. Cover products subject to deterioration with impervious sheet covering. Provide ventilation to avoid condensation.
- E. Store loose granular materials on solid flat surfaces in a well-drained area. Prevent mixing with foreign matter.
- F. Provide equipment and personnel to store products by methods to prevent soiling, disfigurement, or damage.
- G. Arrange storage of products to permit access for inspection. Periodically inspect to assure products are undamaged and are maintained under specified conditions.

H. All pipe shall be stored with both ends covered with plastic sheeting, secured in place against wind and precipitation.

1.5 PRODUCT OPTIONS

- A. Products specified by reference standards or by description only shall mean any product meeting those standards or description.
- B. Products specified by naming one or more manufacturers shall mean products of manufacturers named and meeting specifications; no options or substitutions allowed.
- C. Products specified by naming one or more manufacturers, with a provision for substitutions, means that the Contractor shall submit a request for substitution for any manufacturer not named.

1.6 SUBSTITUTIONS

- A. Instructions for Bidders specifies time restrictions for submitting requests for substitutions to requirements specified in this section, during the bidding period.
- B. Substitutions may be considered when a product becomes unavailable through no fault of the Contractor.
- C. Document each request with complete data, substantiating compliance of proposed substitution with Contract Documents.
- D. A request constitutes a representation that the Contractor:
 - 1. has investigated proposed product and determined that it meets or exceeds the quality level of the specified product;
 - 2. will provide the same warranty for the substitution as for the specified product;
 - 3. will coordinate installation and make changes to other work which may be required for the work to be complete, with no additional cost to the Owner;
 - 4. waives claims for additional costs or time extension which may subsequently become apparent; and
 - 5. will reimburse Owner for review or redesign services associated with re-approval by authorities.
- E. Substitutions will not be considered when they are indicated or implied on shop drawings or product data submittals, without separate written request, or when acceptance will require revision to the Contract Documents.
- F. Substitution Submittal Procedure:
 - 1. Submit request for substitution for consideration. Limit each request to one proposed substitution.
 - 2. Submit shop drawings, product data, and certified test results attesting to the proposed product equivalence.
 - 3. Engineer will notify Contractor, in writing, of decision to accept or reject request.

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PART 2 PRODUCTS (Not Used)

PART 3 EXECUTION (Not Used)

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE OF WORK

- A. This Section specifies administrative and procedural requirements for project closeout, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Contract Closeout Procedures
 - 2. Final Cleaning
 - 3. Adjusting
 - 4. Project Record Documents
 - 5. Warranties
 - 6. Waiver & Release of Liens
 - 7. Consent of Surety to Final Payment
 - 8. Spare Parts and Maintenance Materials
- B. Contract closeout shall verify that construction work is complete and in conformance with the Contract Plans and Specifications and shall permit the formal contract documentation to be completed.

1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

A. Section 01400 – Quality Control Requirements

1.3 CONTRACT CLOSEOUT PROCEDURES

- A. Contract Closeout is a planned series of activities that shall verify the completed construction and installation work for the Contract.
- B. The Contract Closeout will be comprised of the following components:
 - 1. Checkout and Certifications: whether or not stated in subsequent sections, prior to checkout and certification the following tasks must be completed:
 - a. The construction must be complete. For this purpose, completion of construction shall be defined in accordance with the following guidelines:
 - i. The Contractor has completed the construction and erection of the Work in conformance to the Contract Documents.
 - ii. The Contractor has installed and adjusted operating products, equipment, systems of facilities, as applicable, and as specified by the erection, installation, or operations and maintenance of the manufacturer.
 - b. All shop drawings have been submitted and have been given final approval by Owner or Engineer.

- c. The Owner has accompanied the Contractor for inspection to verify conformance with the Contract Documents. The Engineer and Owner will keep a punch list of items that will include work items that are missing, incomplete, damages, incorrect items, or improperly installed or constructed. The Contractor shall correct the punch list items by re-work, modification, or replacement, as appropriate, until all items conform to the Contract Documents.
- d. The Contractor has submitted the final Application for Payment identifying total adjusted Contract Sum, previous payments, and sum remaining due. The Contractor shall submit the following documents with or prior to Final Application for Payment: Contract Completion and Acceptance Certificate, Consent of Surety to Final Payment, Release and Waiver of Liens and Claims, Affidavit of Payment of Debts and Claims, and remaining releases, waivers, guarantees, and all data required by the Contract Documents.
- 2. Substantial Completion: date of substantial completion will be determined by Owner in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3. Final Completion

- a. Whether or not stated in subsequent sections, prior to completion the following tasks must be completed:
 - i. All items in the Owner's punch list must be completed.
 - ii. The Contract closeout documentation must be submitted and approved by Owner.
 - iii. A response plan to address warranty issue must be submitted and approved by Owner.

5. Guarantee Period

- a. During the Guarantee Period, as defined by the General Conditions, the Contractor shall correct all deficiencies.
- b. Corrective work will be identified by Owner. The Contractor will be notified of the item(s) requiring corrective work.
- c. The Contractor shall begin corrective work within 72 hours of being notified of the deficiency by Owner and work shall be conducted continuously until the deficiency is corrected. Upon completion of the corrective work, the Contractor shall submit a letter report to Owner detailing a description of the deficiency and the corrective action that was performed. If the Contractor does not begin work within 72 hours of notification, or does not work continuously to correct the work, the Owner may have the work completed by others and have all costs deducted from the money that would otherwise be due to the Contractor.
- d. The Contractor will coordinate all corrective work with Owner.

1.4 FINAL CLEANING

- A. The Contractor shall complete the following cleaning operations prior to requesting inspection for Certification of Substantial Completion:
 - 1. Clean the project and storage and staging areas, including landscape development areas of rubbish, litter and other foreign substances. Sweep paved areas broom

- clean; remove stains, spills and other foreign deposits. Rake grounds that are neither paved nor planted, to a smooth even-textured surface.
- 2. Remove waste and surplus materials, rubbish, fencing equipment, temporary utilities and construction facilities from the site, unless otherwise directed by Owner
- 3. Remove erosion control material upon complete surface stabilization as determined by Owner.
- 4. Grade site to provide drainage flow to an approved catch basin or closed drainage system.

1.5 ADJUSTING

A. Adjust operating products and equipment to ensure smooth and unhindered operation.

1.6 PROJECT RECORD DOCUMENTS

- A. Throughout the Contract Time, the Contractor shall maintain on site one set of the following Project Record Documents. Actual revisions to the Work shall be recorded in these documents:
 - 1. Contract Documents
 - 2. Specifications
 - 3. Addenda
 - 4. Change Orders and other Modifications to the Contract Documents
 - 5. Reviewed shop drawings, product data, and samples, including all sketches, drawings, diagrams, details and tables prepared or used by Contractor to construct or illustrate any portion of the Work.
 - 6. Written interpretations and clarifications
 - 7. Field Orders
 - 8. Field test reports properly verified
 - 9. Photographs and water service tie cards prepared by Contractor
- B. Record information concurrent with construction progress. Tie cards shall note depth of service at curb stop and building foundation and dimensions from existing features to adequately depict alignment of installed services.

1.6 WARRANTIES

- A. Provide duplicate copies.
- B. Execute and assemble documents from subcontractors, suppliers and manufacturers.
- C. Provide Table of Contents and assemble in order of specification and section numbers.
- D. Submit prior to final Application of Payment.
- E. For items of work delayed beyond date of Substantial Completion, provide updated submittal within ten (10) days after acceptance, listing date of acceptance as start of warranty period.

1.7 WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIENS

A. Contractor shall furnish to the Owner and Final Waiver and Release of Liens statement for the contract upon payment of the amount due for the Final Payment Application. The Final Waiver and Release of Liens shall accompany the final payment application upon submittal to the Owner.

1.8 CONSENT OF SURETY TO FINAL PAYMENT

- A. The Contractor's surety shall provide a completed and executed "Consent of Surety to Final Payment" form as part of the contract close-out documents.
- B. Deliver to the Owner with the Final Payment Application.

PART 2 PRODUCTS (NOT USED)

PART 3 EXECUTION (NOT USED)

SECTION 01800 MAINTENANCE

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

A. Procedures for maintaining work completed under this Contract.

1.2 MAINTENANCE PERIOD

- A. The general maintenance period for all construction or materials under this Contract shall be one (1) year subsequent to the date of the acceptance of the work by the Owner, or as provided by other sections of this Specification.
- B. Contractor agrees to replace the material which does not conform to the Contract requirements, and to repair any damage of material or work without cost to the Owner, to satisfaction of Engineer, in conformance with Contract Documents provided orders for replacement and/or repairs are received in writing by the Contractor within the one year period.
- C. This Section shall in no way limit the duration of the Contractor's responsibility for the correction of any defect due to workmanship or materials provided by the Contractor which are not in compliance with the Contract Documents.

1.3 ABUSE OF WORK

A. Contractor is not obligated to perform work of replacement or repair that he may prove is required because of abuse by parties other than the Contractor, after the date it is put into continuous use, or after date the Owner has approved the Certificate of Completion.

1.4 EMERGENCY REPAIRS

- A. If the Owner deems necessary, the Owner shall order replacement or repairs be undertaken within 24 hours.
- B. If the Contractor delays or fails to make the ordered replacement or repairs within the time specified, the Owner shall have the right to make such replacements or repairs and the expense shall be deducted from moneys due the Contractor, or moneys of the Contractor retained by the Owner.

PART 2 PRODUCTS (Not Used)

PART 3 EXECUTION (Not Used)

CITY OF WOONSOCKET LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

DIVISION 2

SITE WORK

SECTION 02200 EARTHWORK

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 WORK INCLUDED

- A. The work under this section includes the furnishing of all labor, equipment and materials, and performing all operations in connection with excavating (rock/ledge less than 1 c.y. in volume and overburden soils), backfilling, compacting, grading and all other incidental work required to complete the City of Woonsocket Lead Service Line Replacement, specified in the Contract Documents.
- B. The work also includes providing approved earth borrow, sand, bank run gravel, and gravel bedding, when directed for backfills and refills of excavations; excavation and disposal at approved locations of pavements, surplus and unsuitable materials; installation of underground water main piping; protection of new work; compaction of trench bottom, backfills and subgrades; excavation and backfilling of all other appurtenant work as required or as directed.

1.2 REFERENCES

- A. Within this section, the Rhode Island Department of Transportation "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction", latest edition, shall be referred to as the State Standards.
- B. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) publications:

C136-76	Sieve or Screen Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates
D422-63 (R 1972)	Particle Size Analysis of Soils
D1140-54 (R 1971)	Amount of Material in Soils Finer than No. 200 (74 micrometer) sieve
D1556-82	Density of Soil in Place by the Sand Cone Method
D1557-78	Moisture Density Relations of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures Using 10-lb (4.54 kg) Rammer and 18-in (457mm) Drop
D2167-66 (R1977)	Density of Soil in Place by the Rubber Balloon Method
D2419-74 (1979)	Test for Sand Equivalent Value of Soils and Fine Aggregates
D2487-83	Classification of Soils for Engineering Purposes
D2922-81	Density of Soil and Soil-Aggregate in Place by Nuclear Methods (Shallow Depth)

D3017-78 Moisture Content of Soil and Soil-Aggregate in Place by Nuclear Methods (Shallow Depth)

1.3 RELATED WORK SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE

Section 02500 – Paving

Section 02643 – Water Service Lines

Section 02900 - Landscaping

Section 02901 – Tree Protection

1.4 LAWS AND REGULATIONS

A. All work under this Contract shall be accomplished in accordance with regulations of local, county, State, and Federal agencies, and national or utility company standards as they apply.

1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Qualification of Workmen

Provide at least one person who shall be thoroughly trained and experienced in the skills required, who shall be completely familiar with the design and application of work described for this section, and who shall be present at all times during progress of the work of this section, and who shall direct all work performed under this section.

1.6 JOB CONDITIONS

A. All excavated earth materials approved by the Owner as suitable for reuse shall be used for backfilling excavations and for rough grading as necessary for the completion of the contract work. All surplus or unsuitable materials, rock from rock excavation, and boulders and pavement materials, shall be removed and legally disposed of off-site by the Contractor at no additional expense to the Owner.

B. Unsuitable Materials:

- 1. Unsuitable materials are herein defined as organic material, peat, organic silt or combinations thereof; and any existing materials of such gradation that more than 40% of its total weight passes the No. 200 sieve in a standard gradation analysis (ASTM D422). All materials of whatever description which are too loose or saturated for use as backfill to provide satisfactory bearing shall also be considered as unsuitable. Tests required to evaluate such conditions shall be made at the Contractor's expense. If unsuitable material is encountered at the depths indicated on the Drawings for bottom limit of excavation, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Owner and shall not proceed further until instructions are given.
- 2. The Contractor shall satisfactorily excavate and remove all unsuitable material to lines, grades, and within the specified trench limits identified in the Contract Documents or as directed by the Owner, and shall legally dispose of such material off-site. All resulting below grade excavations shall be refilled with compacted common earth borrow.

C. Disposition of Existing Utilities:

- 1. Call Dig Safe seventy-two (72) hours before commencing with any excavation, in order that all pertinent utility companies become informed of such work.
- 2. If active utilities existing on the site are encountered they shall be carefully protected from damage. When an active utility line is exposed during construction, its location and elevation shall be documented and both the Engineer and the utility owner notified in writing.
- 3. Active utility lines damaged in the course of construction operations shall be repaired or replaced as determined by Owner, without additional cost to the Owner or utility owner

1.8 SUBMITTALS

A. Provide submittals in accordance with Section 01300 – Submittals.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 GENERAL

A. Contractor shall reuse excavated onsite materials for backfilling conforming to the requirements and conditions stated herein. When sufficient quantities of satisfactory materials are not available from onsite sources, the Contractor shall provide imported materials with satisfactory properties conforming to the requirements and conditions stated herein.

2.2 MATERIALS

- A. Common borrow shall be a well-graded granular material of which at least 80 percent by weight shall be retained on the No. 200 sieve. It shall be free from peat, organic matter and debris, and shall not contain any stones or clay lumps in excess of 8 inches in their greatest dimensions. The Contractor shall submit a sample of the material he proposes to use as borrow backfill, together with results from an approved laboratory showing grain size analysis and proctor density relationships for those soils. Any materials of whatever description, which are too uniformly graded or saturated to be readily compactable, shall be not utilized for earth borrow. No common borrow shall be imported until all available onsite common borrow has been utilized.
- B. Structural backfill shall be composed of hard, durable stone and coarse to fine sand, free of peat, vegetable or organic matter, clay lumps and other debris. The gravel refill shall be readily compactable and shall not contain any stones that are in excess of two-thirds of the depth of the layer to be compacted. Structural backfill shall be imported material conforming to Item M.01.02.1 of the State Standards.
- C. Gravel for use as pipe bedding shall conform to Section M.01.04 of the State Standards with the exception that 100 percent shall pass the 1-1/2 inch mesh sieve.
- D. Crushed stone shall consist of clean, hard, durable fragments of crushed rock and shall be

free from clay, organic matter, or other objectionable material. Crushed stone shall conform to Section M.01.04 of the State Standards:

E. Sand shall consist of clean, hard, durable particles not frozen, and shall conform to the following gradation requirements:

U.S. Standard Sieve Size	Percent Passing by Weight
3/8"	100
No. 4	80 - 100
No. 10	30 - 50
No. 40	5 - 25
No. 100	0 - 5

- F. Gravel borrow sub-base shall be bank run or plant processed sand and gravel, consisting of hard, durable stone and coarse to fine sand, not frozen and free from loam and undesirable organic matter. It shall comply in all respects to Section M.01.02 of the State Standards.
- G. Filter stone, should it be required for underdrains or other drainage applications during the course of the work, shall conform to Section M.01.07 of the State Standards.
- H. All refills and fills not supporting or influencing structures, pavement or utilities, shall be made with approved granular material containing sound stone, gravel and sand, free of frozen materials, silt, clay, vegetation, roots, peat, muck or other unsuitable matter.
- I. Cost for sampling, transporting and making all laboratory tests required to obtain characteristics of materials proposed to be used for fills, refills, backfills, including gradation tests and determination of moisture density relationships, will be borne by the Contractor.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 GENERAL

- A. All topsoil and unsuitable or excess materials shall be stripped to their entire depths from areas of new construction or regrading. Materials suitable for reuse shall be stored in approved locations that will not interfere with construction operations. Topsoil shall be stripped and stored before any underlying excavating is begun. Stripped topsoil to be reused shall be free from clay, large stones and debris. Excess topsoil and other materials shall become Owner's property and shall be relocated to a stockpile location designated by City of Woonsocket Department of Public Works. All unsuitable materials shall be excavated and legally disposed of off-site by the Contractor.
- B. Earth excavation shall include the excavation, removal and satisfactory disposal of all materials of whatever nature encountered from within the limits indicated or specified or as directed in writing. It shall include, but not be limited to, earth materials such as peats,

organic or inorganic silts, clay, sand and gravel, cobbles and boulders less than 1 cubic yard in volume, soft or disintegrated rock which, in the opinion of the Owner, can be removed without blasting or drilling, pavement, and all obstructions not specifically included in another section.

- C. Slope sides of excavations to comply with local codes and ordinances having jurisdiction. Shore and brace, if required, to ensure the safety of workers and the general public. Dewater as needed for construction. Barricade and/or plate all open excavations when not actively working in them.
- D. All excavation operations shall be accomplished to prevent the undermining or disturbance of existing pipelines, utilities, and structures of any completed construction.
- E. All excavations shall be backfilled as specified.

3.2 EXCAVATION FOR STRUCTURES

A. Excavation for structures is not proposed for this project.

3.2 EXCAVATION FOR UTILITIES

- A. Excavation shall be made to the alignment, invert, and finish grades required to comply with these specifications or as modified by the Owner or Engineer. Excavations shall be accurately graded to allow satisfactory construction of the contract work.
- B. The bottoms of excavations shall be thoroughly compacted and in approved condition prior to placing gravel bedding. Gravel bedding shall be placed in layers not exceeding 6 inches in loose depth and each layer shall be compacted by at least two (2) passes of an approved plate-type vibratory compactor. The moisture content of the gravel shall be adjusted by moistening or drying so that proper compaction will be obtained.
- C. Bell holes and depressions for joints shall be dug after the trench bottom has been graded and compacted, and after gravel bedding, if required, has been placed and compacted. The bottom quadrant of each pipe barrel shall have complete and uniform bearing for the full length of each pipe. The trench bottom shall again be thoroughly compacted just prior to final shaping for bedding and installation of pipe.
- D. Excavation operations adjacent to and below existing structures and utilities shall be done manually and in a manner to prevent disturbance of, or damage to, the existing structures and utilities.
- E. The Contractor shall be responsible for keeping all excavated and construction material a safe distance back from the edge of excavations to avoid overloading the sides of excavations and to prevent slides or cave-ins.
- F. If an excavation is made deeper or wider than that specified in the Contract Documents, there will be no extra payment for such unauthorized excavation beyond the specified payment limits, unless directed in writing by the Owner. Backfill of all unauthorized excavations shall be made by the Contractor with either selected materials from excavations or from borrow, as directed by the Owner, and at no expense to the Owner. All additional work and materials

- resulting from unauthorized excavations, including but not limited to additional rock removal, dewatering, pavement removal and restoration, loam and seed or other work required by the Owner, shall be furnished and installed at no additional expense to the Owner.
- G. If a pipe is to be placed in fill, or the top of the pipe is within 2 feet of existing ground surface, the fill shall first be placed as specified herein to a height of not less than 2 feet over the top of the pipe and for a width of 5 feet beyond each side of the pipeline. Following placement of such fill, excavation and backfill shall proceed as specified herein.
- H. Where existing subsurface utilities or other facilities adjacent to or crossing through the excavation require temporary support or protection, such temporary support or protection shall be satisfactorily provided by the Contractor at no additional expense to the Owner. All necessary measures shall be taken by the Contractor to prevent lateral movement or settlement of existing facilities or of work in progress.
- I. Grading shall be done as necessary to prevent surface water from flowing into excavations and any water accumulating therein shall be removed by pumping or other approved method. The pipelines shall not, at any time, be used for trench drainage.
- J. Excavations shall be adequately supported, sheeted, shored, and braced, as necessary, to permit proper excavation of the work and to protect all slopes and earth banks. All earth support shall be removed as the work progresses. No earth support is allowed to remain in excavations. Voids, if formed, shall immediately be filled with sand. The installation of sheeting, shoring, and bracing shall comply with the safety precautions as outlined in the Associated General Contractors of America, Manual of Accident Prevention in Construction, and all local, county, State, and Federal regulations. Dewatering shall be performed, as required, for all excavations below groundwater level.
- K. No excessive trench widths will be allowed to avoid the use of sheeting or shoring and bracing. The trench width for unbraced excavations at, and below, a level 1-foot above the top of the pipe shall not exceed the maximum trench width indicated on the Drawings for the size pipe being installed.

3.4 ROCK EXCAVATION (over 1 c.y.)

- A. Rock Removal consists of removal and disposal of materials encountered that cannot be excavated without continuous and systematic drilling or continuous use of a ripper or other special equipment, except such materials that are classified as earth excavation. Typical of materials classified as rock excavation are as follows:
 - 1. Rock or stone in original ledge.
 - 2. Hard shale in original ledge.
 - 3. Boulders on site, outside trench limits, exceeding three (3) cubic yards in volume, that require relocation or removal.
 - 4. Boulders within trench limits, exceeding one (1) cubic yard in volume.
 - 5. Should highly fractured or weathered bedrock be encountered during excavation, the following shall apply:
 - a. When the material is encountered in trenching operations, it shall be excavated or ripped with a hydraulic backhoe equal to or larger than Caterpillar 225 backhoe, and

- will be classified as Earth Excavation. When it is demonstrated that this material can no longer be removed with a hydraulic backhoe, this material shall be classified as Rock Excavation.
- b. When this material is encountered in open excavation, it shall be classified as earth excavation until drilling and blasting or continuous ripping is necessary as defined hereinabove.

3.5 DRAINAGE AND DEWATERING

- A. Excavations may, to some extent, be below existing groundwater levels, causing the site to be subject to surface water and groundwater flow during the course of construction.
- B. The Contractor shall control and pitch the grading to prevent water from running into the excavated areas of the structures or to prevent damage to other structures or work already accomplished.
- C. The Contractor shall furnish all pumping and other dewatering equipment necessary to keep excavated areas dry during construction. Filters shall be used on the dewatering devices to prevent the removal of fines from the soil. Water shall not be directed onto adjacent property.

3.6 BACKFILLING OF UTILITY TRENCHES

- A. Unless directed otherwise by Owner, excavations shall not be backfilled until all work has been satisfactorily performed, inspected by Owner (unless such inspection is waived), and not until the work as installed conforms to all requirements specified in these sections. Each layer of backfill material shall be moistened as necessary and compacted in such a manner as to permit the proper and desired compaction of the filled excavation, so that paving of excavated areas can proceed immediately after backfilling is completed.
- B. All excavations shall be backfilled as soon as practicable with approved excavated material. If suitable material as approved by the Owner is not available from the excavations in the quantities required for proper backfilling of excavations, the Contractor shall provide the necessary approved bank-run gravel or earth borrow for backfills from off-site sources, as required.
- C. Placement of gravel bedding shall be done in accordance with the following procedure:
 - 1. The bottoms of excavations shall be thoroughly compacted and in approved conditions prior to placing gravel bedding. Gravel bedding shall be placed in layers not exceeding 6 inches in loose depth and each layer shall be compacted by at least two (2) passes of an approved plate-type vibratory compactor. The moisture content of the gravel bedding shall be adjusted by moistening or drying so that proper compaction will be obtained.
 - 2. Gravel bedding shall be graded, compacted and shaped so that the full length of pipe barrel has complete and uniform bearing for the bottom quadrant of each pipe. Bell holes and depressions for joints shall be dug after the gravel bedding has been graded and compacted, and shall be the proper clearance for joining of pipes.
 - 3. The Contractor shall exercise care in all operations to prevent disturbing joints, displacement of or damage to the pipes already installed. As the work progresses, the

pipelines will be checked by the Owner to determine whether any disturbance, displacement, or damage has occurred. If inspection shows poor alignment, displaced or damaged pipe, disturbed joints or other defects, the Owner shall require that all designated defects be remedied in a satisfactory manner by the Contractor at no additional expense to the Owner.

- 4. Backfill over pipe is to be in accordance with AWWA Standard C600.
- D. All other backfill placed in trenches below a level 12 inches above the top of pipe shall consist of selected backfill placed in layers not exceeding 6 inches in loose depths. Selected backfill shall be compatible materials as approved by the Owner, not frozen, and free of clods of earth, stones larger than 2 inches in diameter, or unsuitable materials. The selected backfill shall be deposited uniformly on both sides of the pipe and shall be thoroughly compacted by tamping under and on each side of the pipe to provide uniform support around the pipe, free from voids.
- E. The balance of backfill in trenches shall be compatible materials as approved by the Owner, not frozen, and without any stones larger than 6 inches in their greatest dimension. All trench backfilling shall be carefully placed to avoid disturbance of new work and of existing utilities or structures. The moisture content of backfill shall be such that proper compaction will be obtained. Trench backfill shall be compacted to the minimum densities specified hereinafter. Trench backfill shall be spread in layers not exceeding 12 inches in loose depth, and each layer shall be compacted by at least four (4) passes of an approved plate-type vibratory compactor. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to assure that the minimum specified densities are obtained. Puddling or jetting of backfill with water will not be permitted. The Contractor shall perform density testing as specified in these specifications on each lift, at least every 150 feet of trench length at no additional cost to the Owner.
- F. During filling and backfilling operations, pipelines will be checked by the Owner to determine whether any displacement of the pipe has occurred. If the inspection of the pipelines shows poor alignment, displaced pipe or any other defects, the defects designated by the Owner shall be remedied in a satisfactory manner by the Contractor at no additional expense to the Owner.
- G. Any backfill that fails to comply with the minimum density requirements specified hereinafter shall be re-compacted or, if necessary, removed to the limits directed by the Owner. The trench shall then be refilled with approved materials and by approved methods. The backfill shall be compacted by approved methods to the minimum requirements specified hereinafter. The Contractor shall perform all of this work at no additional expense to the Owner.
- H. After backfilling trenches the Contractor shall maintain the filled surfaces in good condition, with a smooth surface level with adjacent undisturbed surfaces. Any subsequent settling shall be immediately repaired by the Contractor in a manner satisfactory to the Owner, and such maintenance shall be provided by the Contractor for the remainder of this contract at no additional expense to the Owner.
- I. The finished surfaces of filled excavations shall be compacted and reasonably smooth, and free from surface irregularities. Subgrade upon which either topsoil is to be placed, or pavements are to be constructed, shall be maintained in a satisfactory condition until the finish courses are placed. The storage or stockpiling of materials on finished subgrade will

not be permitted.

J. Prior to placing base course material in areas to be paved, all soft or unsuitable material shall be removed and replaced with suitable material from excavation or earth borrow, as approved by the Owner. All low sections, holes or depressions shall be brought to the required grade with material approved by the Owner. The entire surface shall be shaped to line, grade, and cross-section and thoroughly compacted.

3.7 COMPACTION

- A. Compaction shall be accomplished by plate compactor, vibratory rollers, multiple wheel pneumatic tired rollers or other types of approved compacting equipment. Loaded trucks, low beds, water wagons and the like shall not be considered as acceptable compaction equipment unless specifically approved by the Engineer for a particular location. Equipment shall be of any such design that it will be able to compact the fill to the specified density in a reasonable length of time without damage to installed pipe. Contractor shall use means and methods to protect the integrity of the installed pipe during compaction.
- B. The Contractor shall compact all fills made during the day of work prior to leaving the project for the evening. The upper layer shall be pitched as necessary to provide positive drainage towards swales or interceptor ditches to minimize ponding and erosion should it rain.
- C. All backfill material, including trench backfill and fill placed directly under pavements, shall be placed in lifts no greater than 12 inches, unless otherwise specified, and compacted to 95 percent of maximum day density in paved areas and 90 percent of maximum dry density in unpaved areas.
- D. All percentages of compaction specified herein shall be related to the maximum dry density as established by Method D, ASTM D1557-70, and verified in the field by ASTM D1556-68, D2167-66 or an approved nuclear density testing device. Prior to placing, at least one (1) laboratory test shall be made on a representative sample of each of the fill and backfill materials proposed to be used for the earthwork operations to determine gradation and moisture density characteristics. These tests will be made by a testing laboratory selected by the Owner and at the Contractor's expense.
- E. Field density tests to determine the actual in-place densities being attained will be made at the Contractor's expense and in sufficient quantity to determine that the required compaction is being attained, but in no case less than the following frequency:
 - At every 150 linear feet for utility trenches and paved roadways; and
 - A minimum of two per lift per length of trench to be placed.

All retesting necessitated by failure of the backfill to comply with the minimum percent of compaction shall be performed by a testing laboratory selected by the Owner and the cost for the retesting will be paid for by the Contractor.

F. Deficiencies:

1. If a defect is discovered, the Contractor shall immediately determine the extent and nature of the defect.

- a. If the defect is indicated by unsatisfactory test results, the Contractor shall determine the extent of the deficient area by additional tests, observations, a review of records, or other means that the Contractor deems appropriate. Costs for additional testing shall be borne by the Contractor and not applied to any unit price items.
- b. If the defect is related to adverse site conditions, such as overly wet soils or surface desiccation, the Contractor shall define the limits and nature of the defect.
- 2. After determining the extent and nature of a defect, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer and schedule for defect repair and retesting.
- 3. The Contractor shall correct the deficiency to the satisfaction of the Engineer. If the project specification criteria cannot be met, or if unusual weather conditions hinder work, then the Contractor shall develop and present to the Engineer suggested solutions for his approval.
- 4. All retests by the Contractor must verify that the defect has been corrected before any additional work is performed by the Contractor in the area of the deficiency. The Contractor shall also verify that all installation requirements are met and that all required submittals are provided.
- G. Where vibratory compaction equipment is specified herein, or is directed to be used by the Engineer, all such equipment whether plate-type or roller shall be furnished with a vibrating surface at least 24-inches in width and capable of operating at a minimum of 2,000 blows per minute. Equipment not specifically designed as vibrating compaction equipment shall not be permitted for compaction of either existing in-place materials or of fills, refills, and backfills. Jackhammers, rubber-tired vehicles, and similar equipment not specifically designed and manufactured for the compaction of granular materials will not be approved for use.
- H. Surfaces to be compacted, unless otherwise specified, shall be compacted by not less than six (6) complete passes of the approved vibratory compactors in order to obtain the required percentage of compaction. A complete pass shall consist of the entire coverage of the surface area to be compacted with one trip of the equipment. Each trip of the equipment shall overlap the previous trip by at least one (1) foot.
- I. Dumping, spreading, preparing, and compacting of several layers of fill material across the site may be performed simultaneously, providing there is sufficient total area to permit these operations to proceed in a systematic manner.
- J. No rolling equipment shall be used to compact fill, refill, or backfill material within four (4) feet of the vertical faces of any concrete walls or utility pipes. Plate vibratory tampers shall be used in these restricted areas and in other areas too confined to satisfactorily use rolling equipment.
- K. It is the intent of these compaction requirements that the minimum in-place dry density of the compacted materials resulting from the specified minimum number of passes of the compaction equipment will be equal to or greater than the minimum percentages specified herein. Additional passes of the specified equipment shall be required if the minimum in-place dry densities, as specified, are not obtained with the minimum passes indicated.

- A. Excavation and backfill operations shall be done in such a manner to prevent cave-ins of excavations or the undermining, damage, or disturbance of existing utilities and structures or of new work. Backfill shall be placed and compacted so as to prevent future settlement or damage to existing utilities and structures and new work.
- B. Any excavations improperly backfilled or where settlement occurs shall be reopened to the depth required then refilled with approved materials and compacted, and the surface restored to the required grade and condition, at no additional expense to the Owner.
- C. Any damage due to excavation, backfilling or settlement of the backfill, or injury to persons or damage to property occurring as a result of such damage shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. All costs to repair such damage shall be borne by the Contractor and shall be performed in a manner satisfactory to, and at no additional expense to, the Owner.

3.9 PROTECTION OF EXISTING TREES

- A. Provide temporary fencing or barricades as approved by Owner or Engineer to the nearest edge of trees to remain and be preserved.
- B. Do not store construction materials, debris or excavated material within the protected area at any time. Do not permit vehicles within the protected areas.
- C. No tree removal shall be performed without the consent of Owner and property owner. Should Contractor propose that a tree be removed in the course of the work, notify Owner for further direction before proceeding.

3.10 EROSION CONTROL

A. Erosion controls shall be provided when directed by Owner or Engineer. Erosion controls shall conform to the Rhode Island Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook.

SECTION 02500 PAVING

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

A. Section Includes

1. Requirements for construction of all temporary and permanent pavements on paved areas affected or damaged by Contractor's operations, whether inside or outside the normal trench limits, as indicated on the drawings and as herein specified.

B. Related Sections

- 1. Section 01300 Submittal Procedures
- 2. Section 01400 Quality Control Requirements
- 3. Section 01570 Traffic Control
- 4. Section 02200 Earthwork

1.2 REFERENCES

- A. This specification makes reference to the requirements of additional specifications as listed. The Contractor shall obtain and familiarize himself with all requirements referenced by this specification prior to preparation and installation of any pavements.
 - Rhode Island Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, including all addenda, issued by the State of Rhode Island Department of Public Works, (referred to as the Standard Specifications). All references to measurement and payment are deleted.

1.3 PAVEMENT SCHEDULE

- A. The Contractor's attention is directed to the various pavements required under this contract, and their locations as detailed below.
- B. All pavement thickness specified in this specification shall be of the thickness required after compaction.

1. Location: <u>City Streets</u>

Type: Flexible

Requirements: 12" Gravel Borrow sub-base Course

3" HMA Class 19.0 Bituminous Base 1 1/2" HMA Class 9.5 Bituminous Surface

2. Location: State Roadways (if encountered)

Restore in accordance with existing conditions. Coordinate with Owner for requirements.

3. Location: Driveways

Match to existing thickness but provide not less than 3 inches of HMA bituminous asphalt over 8 inches of compacted gravel sub-base.

1.4 QUALITY CONTROL

A. Qualifications of Workmen:

- 1. Provide at least one person who shall be thoroughly trained and experienced in the skills required, who shall be completely familiar with the design and application of work described within this section, who shall be present at all times during progress of the work of this section, and who shall direct all work performed under this section.
- For actual finishing of bituminous concrete surfaces and operation of the required equipment, use only personnel who are thoroughly trained and experienced in the skills required and whose prime occupation is this type of work.
- 3. All work shall conform to State Standards.

B. Submittals:

- 1. Contractor shall submit to the Engineer, data showing gradation and composition of materials proposed.
- 2. Submittals shall be made in accordance with Section 01300 Submittals.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

A. Asphalt Tack

1. Tack coat shall conforming to the requirements of the Rhode Island Standard Specification Section M.03.04.

B. Bituminous Base

1. Bituminous Base shall conform to the requirements of the Rhode Island Standard Specification Section 402 and M.03.01 for Base Course.

C. Bituminous Binder

1. Bituminous Binder Course shall conform to the requirements of the Rhode Island Standard Specification Section 402 and M.03.01 for Binder Course.

D. Bituminous Surface, (Trench)

1. Bituminous Surface Course shall conform to the requirements of the Rhode Island Standard Specification Section 402 and M.03.01 for surface course HMA Class 9.0.

E. Bituminous Surface, (Curb to Curb)

1. Bituminous Surface Course shall conform to the requirements of the Rhode Island Standard Specification Section 402 and M.03.01 for surface course HMA Class 19.0.

F. Temporary Pavement

1. Temporary Pavement shall be Binder Course conforming to the requirements of the State of Rhode Island Standard Specification, Subsection 402 and M.03.01.1. for Binder Course.

G. Gravel Base Course

1. Gravel base course in accordance with State of Rhode Island Standard Specification, Subsection M.01.09, meeting the gradation requirements of Table 1, Column 1, with 100% Passing 3-inch Square Mesh Sieves.

2.2 SOURCE QUALITY CONTROL

A. The paving plant used by the Contractor for preparation of bituminous paving materials shall be acceptable to the Engineer who shall have the right to inspect the plant and the making of the material.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 PREPARATION

- A. Maintain Traffic Control in accordance with Section 01570.
- B. Prior to placing pavement, all backfill shall be compacted in accordance with Section 02200. No pavement shall be placed over inadequately compacted backfill. Backfill and gravel base course shall be compacted, brought to the proper elevation, and dressed so that new pavement construction shall be at the required grade. The Contractor shall maintain the surfaces of all areas until the pavement is placed. If there is a time lapse of more than 24 hours between completion of preparation of subgrade or placing of gravel base course and placing of paving, or if subgrade or gravel base course has been eroded or disturbed by traffic, the subgrade or gravel base course shall be restored before placing pavement.
- C. When installing permanent pavement on bituminous concrete roadway, the edges of existing pavement shall be cut back at least 12-inches from the trench excavation wall or damaged area to sound undamaged material, straightened, cleaned, and painted with an accepted

asphalt emulsion to ensure a satisfactory bond between it and the newly placed surface courses. Existing surface courses shall be stripped from the bituminous concrete base course for at least a 6-inch width and trimmed square and straight so that new permanent surfacing shall be placed on the undisturbed bituminous concrete base course. Existing pavement shall be swept clean prior to placing any asphalt emulsion over it. Existing pavement that will be under new pavement shall be painted with asphalt emulsion to ensure a satisfactory bond.

- D. Before permanent pavement is installed, the base shall be brought to the proper grade, and temporary pavement and excess gravel base shall be removed.
- E. All castings, valve and meter boxes, curbs, walks, walls and fences shall be adequately protected and left in a clean condition. Where required, the grades of castings, valve boxes, and other similar items shall be adjusted to conform to the finished pavement grade.
- F. The Contractor shall remove and dispose of all surplus and unsuitable material in accordance to local, State, and Federal regulations.

3.2 INSTALLATION

A. General

- 1. All construction methods and materials shall be submitted to Owner for review prior to the start of construction.
- 2. Unless indicated otherwise, all permanent bituminous pavement shall be installed in two courses or more. Bituminous base courses shall be carefully spread and raked to a uniform surface and thoroughly rolled before application of the top course.
- 3. All top courses of permanent paving shall be applied with acceptable mechanical spreaders over entire width of trench.
- 4. The rolling for all bituminous and gravel base courses shall conform to the standards listed in the appropriate Subsection of the Standard Specification.
- 5. Pavement shall be placed so that the entire roadway or paved area shall have a true and uniform surface, and the pavement shall conform to the proper grade and cross section with a smooth transition to existing pavement.

B. Gravel Base Course

- 1. The gravel base shall be placed to such depth that the furnished compacted gravel base course is the depth as indicated on the drawings and specified herein.
- 2. The top of the compacted gravel base shall be below the furnish grade a distance required to accommodate the compacted pavement material as indicated on the drawings and specified herein.
- 3. The gravel base as herein specified shall be 12-inches thick for flexible pavements in roads and streets and 8-inches thick in driveways.

C. Temporary Pavement

- 1. Temporary pavement shall be placed over all trenches in paved areas where directed by Owner.
- 2. The Contractor, upon completing the backfilling and compaction of the trenches in the streets and the placing of the gravel base course, shall be required to construct temporary pavement unless otherwise directed by Owner.
- 3. Temporary pavement in all roads shall be placed in one course and shall consist of 3-inch compacted thickness of hot bituminous mix, on a 12-inch compacted thickness gravel base as directed by the Engineer.
- 4. The Contractor shall maintain temporary pavement in good repair and flush with the existing pavement at all times until the permanent pavement is placed.
- 5. The temporary pavement shall not be removed until such time that the Engineer authorizes the placement of permanent pavement. In general, Contractor should be prepared for temporary pavement to remain in place for a minimum of 90 days prior to replacement with permanent pavement.

D. Bituminous Base

- 1. Bituminous base shall be used in city and state roadways as listed in Article 1.3 of this specification.
- 2. Bituminous base shall be placed to the thickness as indicated in Article 1.3 of this Specification and installed in accordance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications and as detailed in the Contract Drawings.
- 3. Prior to placing bituminous base, all temporary pavement and sufficient gravel base course shall be removed, to proper depths as detailed in the Contract Drawings.

E. Reinforced Concrete Base

- 1. Reinforced Concrete Base shall be restored in state roadways where disturbed by the work of this contract, if encountered.
- 2. Reinforced Concrete Base shall be to the thickness matching existing concrete base and installed in accordance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications and as detailed in the Contract Drawings.
- 3. Prior to placing reinforced concrete base, all temporary pavement and sufficient gravel base course shall be removed to proper depths as detailed in the Contract Drawings.
- 4. All new Concrete Base shall be reinforced into the existing Concrete Base in accordance with Section 505 of the Standard Specifications.
- 5. Traffic controls shall be in accordance with Section 01570 and as indicated on the drawings.

F. Bituminous Binder

- 1. Bituminous Binder shall be used in the streets as listed in Article 1.3 of this specification.
- 2. Bituminous Binder shall be placed to the thickness as indicated in Article 1.3 of this Specification and installed in accordance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications and as detailed in the Contract Drawings.

G. Micro Mill

1. In accordance with Specification Section 02502.

H. Bituminous Surface

- 1. Bituminous Surface shall be used in the streets as listed in Article 1.3 of this specification.
- 2. Bituminous Surface shall be placed to the thickness as indicated in Article 1.3 of this Specification and installed in accordance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications and as detailed in the Contract Drawings.

I. Sidewalks, Driveways, Parking Lots and Curbing

- 1. Sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and curbing that are damaged by the Contractor's operations shall be restored to a condition at least equal to that in which they are found immediately prior to the start of operations. Materials and methods used for such restoration shall be in conformance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications.
- 2. Where the trench locations are in a sidewalk, the entire width of the sidewalk shall be replaced with new material. Side forms shall be set so as to obtain and preserve a straight edge along both sides of the walk.
- 3. Where trenches are in a driveway, the driveway shall be repaved across its entire width with even edges.
- 4. Parking lots shall be repaved in accordance with Article 3.1 of this Specification.
- 5. Gravel base course under sidewalks and driveways shall not be less than 8 inches thick.

J. Surface Maintenance

- During the guarantee period, the Contractor shall maintain the bituminous surface and shall promptly make good all defects such as cracks, depressions, and holes that may occur. At all times, the surfacing shall be kept in a safe and satisfactory condition for traffic. If defects occur in surfacing constructed by the Contractor, the Contractor shall remove all bituminous concrete and base courses as is necessary to properly correct the defect. After removing bituminous concrete and base course, the Contractor shall correct the cause of the defect and replace the base course and bituminous concrete in accordance with these specifications.
- 2. In case of settlement or other defects in new or replaced pavement the Contractor shall cut out, replace, restore or repair the damaged pavements at no additional expense to the Owner. This requirement shall remain in effect for 1 year after the acceptance of the Work by the Engineer. The pavement area to be replaced, repaired, or restored shall extend from edge of pavement to edge of pavement, a minimum of 20 feet on either side of the defect; final pavement course shall be keyed or feathered as directed by the Engineer, to provide a smooth finish detail.

3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

A. Conform to testing methods outlined in Section 02200 - Earthwork.

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B. In general, compaction testing shall be performed at a minimum frequency as specified in Section 02200 – Earthwork and at locations and depths directed by the Owner. Excavate to depths directed to accommodate testing and backfill once completed.

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. Work under this section includes furnishing, installing, testing, and disinfecting of all new water service, or water service branch connections, of the size and location shown on the plans and/or as may be required by the Owner. Pitcher filters and replacement cartridges shall be distributed to customers, in accordance with the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions, as part of this work.
- B. All materials included in this section that are to come into contact with potable water shall be either NSF 61 or NSF 60 approved as applicable.
- C. The work of this Section shall conform to AWWA C800 Underground Service Line Valves and Fittings, latest revision.
- D. The work of this Section shall conform to the Cross-Connection Control Program of the Woonsocket Water Division.

1.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Shop Drawings: Contractor shall submit shop drawings and submittals for all material to be used for this item of work in accordance with Section 01300 - Submittals.

1.3 MANUFACTURER'S INFORMATION

A. Contractor shall furnish, at no additional expense to the Owner, detailed parts information, as well as operating, maintenance and installation procedures, as recommended by the manufacturer, for all units used for this specification. This information shall be submitted in duplicate to the Engineer, bound and indexed for each type of unit as herein specified.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 GENERAL

- A. All materials required to be incorporated into the work shall be new, purchased specifically for this contract.
- B. All materials shall conform to American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements.
- C. All materials shall be certified lead free. Contractor shall furnish certification to Owner.

2.2 CURB BOXES

- A. Curb boxes shall be 2½-inch "Buffalo" type. The construction shall provide adjustment for varying grade levels and provide allowance for settlement or frost heave. Extension range shall be 40" to 60". The boxes shall completely cover the curb stop. "Water" shall be clearly cast on the cover and have a brass pentagonal bolt.
- B. The box and cover shall be coated inside and out with a tar base enamel.

C. Provide a standard valve box cover in lieu of a curb box cover if placed in a paved area.

2.3 WATER SERVICE PIPING (TUBING)

A. Copper Tubing

1. Copper tubing shall be seamless Type K, annealed (soft) and shall be supplied in conformance with ASTM B-88, latest revision. Water service shall be 1 inch in size unless otherwise specified.

2.4 FITTINGS

A. Brass flare fittings shall be used to join copper tubing to valves and existing plumbing. Compressing fitting will not be allowed.

2.5 DOMESTIC BACKFLOW PREVENTER

A. Residential dual check backflow preventer shall be supplied for all service replacements except where a testable reduced pressure zone backflow preventer is required on systems partially served by private well or that supply irrigation systems.

2.6 WATER METER

A. City shall provide new meter and meter couplings to Contractor for installation at each service replacement. Contractor shall furnish and new ball valves on upstream and downstream sides of meter as required.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION OF WATER SERVICE LINES

- A. All work performed within or adjacent to buildings shall be conducted by a licensed plumber in the State of Rhode Island. Contractor will be required to provide verification to Owner that a licensed plumber is performing the applicable work of this Contract.
- B. No work shall be performed on any property until the Waiver of Liability is executed between the City and property owner. The City will maintain a log and notify Contractor of which properties are eligible for the work of this Contract.
- C. Water service lines shall be installed in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall use conventional, open-trench cut method for construction. Bored installation of water service lines will not be permitted unless authorized in writing by Owner.
- D. No utility location has been performed for this project. Contractor shall contact Dig Safe a minimum 72 hours in advance of any earth excavation at each property.
- E. All work shall be left open and remain unburied until inspected by Owner. Contractor shall coordinate with Owner to schedule inspection of completed work including testing of testable reduced pressure backflow preventer where installed.

- F. One continuous length of new copper tubing shall be installed for each service. Copper tube shall be joined to curb stop with E fitting adapter. Couplings shall not be used to join two sections of copper tube together unless otherwise permitted by Owner. The Contractor shall use the manufacturer's recommended installation procedures while performing the work. Care shall be taken to ensure a watertight connection. E fitting adapter will be provided by Owner for installation by Contractor.
- G. Curb boxes shall be set in a true vertical position and if they are within the limits of the roadway or within limits where the plowing of snow will take place in the winter, the tops of the boxes shall be set about 1/2 inch below the top of the finished grade. In locations where these boxes are not likely to be disturbed, the tops shall be set flush with the adjoining ground. Curb boxes will be provided by Owner for installation by Contractor.
- H. Care shall be exercised in the placing and laying of copper service tubing to be sure that the pipe (tubing) does not have kinks or sharp bends and to assure against it being in contact with sharp stones or ledge which would cause damage to the pipe. At least 12-inches of clean compacted sand shall be placed adjacent to, below and above the water service tubing and no stone shall be placed over the pipe until the depth of backfill above the latter is in excess of one foot.
- I. All new water services shall have a minimum cover of four and one-half feet, as measured from finished grade; throughout the installation from the water main to the curb stop. New water services shall also have a maximum cover of eight feet measured from finished grade; throughout the installation from the water main to the curb stop. In the event that this minimum or maximum cover cannot be attained, the Contractor shall propose an alternative alignment for approval by the Engineer and Owner. In no event shall the Contractor install any service not meeting the above requirements without prior approval by the Owner and Engineer.
- J. Furnish and install shut off ball valves on either side of water meter. Water meter and couplings to be provided by Owner but installed by Contractor.
- K. Contractor shall furnish and install a residential dual check valve backflow preventer on customer side of the meter. A reduced pressure zone (RPZ), testable backflow preventer shall be furnished and installed where directed by Owner. Backflow preventer shall be tested in accordance with Owner's requirements. Expansion tank or pressure relief valve shall be installed at each service.
- L. Service pipe, valves, meter, and fittings shall be set a minimum 12-inches above basement floor and minimum 12-inches from any interior wall.
- M. A meter pit will be required at the property line for any service longer than 100 feet from the water main. Type and location of meter pit to be coordinated with Owner and property owner.

3.2 LEAD AND COPPER RULE REVISIONS (LCRR) COMPLIANCE

- A. Contractor shall furnish and supply each customer effected by a lead service line replacement with a pitcher filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead. Additionally, 6 months of replacement filter cartridges shall be provided with each pitcher filter. Contractor shall also distribute guidance materials, supplied by Owner, to each customer effected by a lead service line replacement.
- B. For water services that serve more than one residence or business unit, a pitcher filter, 6 month

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- supply of replacement filter cartridges, and guidance documents must be provided to each residence or business unit.
- C. The distribution of pitcher filters, filter cartridges, and guidance documents must be performed at the time of lead service replacement and before the service is put back into use. This shall be coordinated with the City in advance so that water department personnel can provide required notification a minimum 24 hours in advance of any work on a lead service, and verify guidance materials have been provided to each customer.

SECTION 02900 LANDSCAPING

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 WORK INCLUDES

- A. Work under this section includes furnishing of topsoil and its preparation for seeding and mulching areas disturbed by the construction operations.
- B. Requirements for removal and replacement of granite curb, concrete and bituminous sidewalks including sidewalks at driveways and wheelchair ramps.
- C. Requirements for restoration of vegetated areas, plantings and tree beds.
- D. Requirements for construction of sidewalks in sensitive tree areas.
- E. Restoration to include those areas designated by the Contract Drawings and those affected or damaged by the construction operations, outside the limits of Work.

1.2 REFERENCES

- A. This specification makes reference to the requirements of additional specifications as listed. The Contractor shall obtain and familiarize himself with all requirements referenced by this specification prior to preparation and installation of any pavements.
 - 1. Rhode Island Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, including all addenda, issued by the State of Rhode Island Department of Public Works, (referred to as the Standard Specifications). All references to measurement and payment are deleted.

1.3 RELATED WORK SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE

Section 02200 – Earthwork

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Submittals:

Include certifications of performance for mulch products and analysis of proposed seed products. Submit certification that grass seed has been tested by a recognized laboratory for seed testing within 6 months prior to delivery. Do not use seed that has become wet or moldy. Submittals shall be made in accordance with Section 01300 – Submittals.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

A. Topsoil: Loose friable loam, free of stumps, roots, rocks, brush, weeds, subsoil, refuse, or other material detrimental to proper development of vegetative growth. Topsoil shall be in accordance with Section M.18.01 of the State Standards.

- B. Mulch: Wood Cellulose Fiber commercial product specifically manufactured for use with grass seed. Express application requirements of product in terms of air-dry weight (10% maximum allowance for moisture content). Cellulose fiber mulch shall be in accordance with Section M.18.08 of the State Standards.
- C. Commercial Fertilizer: Commercial product manufactured for seeded or sodded areas, containing nitrogen derived from natural sources and 10% by weight in available form with 6% phosphoric acid and 4% potash. Commercial fertilizer shall be in accordance with Section M.18.06.1 of the State Standards.
- D. Lime: Ground limestone to existing State and Federal regulations containing minimum 50% total oxides (calcium and magnesium oxides). Between forty and sixty percent shall pass a 100-mesh sieve and 100% shall pass a 20-mesh sieve, in accordance with Section M.18.05 of the State Standards.
- E. Seed Mix: Quality seed, free of noxious seed such as Russian or Canadian Thistle, European Bindweed, Johnson Grass or Leafy Spurge. Seed shall be in accordance with Section M.18.10.4 Residential Seed Mix of the State Standards. Seed application rate shall be as specified in the State Standards.
- F. Temporary Seeding: Should disturbed areas require temporary seeding, at the direction of Owner or as specified elsewhere in the Drawings or Specifications, it shall be in accordance with Section M.18.10.5 Temporary Seed Mix and shall be applied at the seeding rate specified.
- G. Gravel Borrow
- H. In accordance with State of Rhode Island Standard Specification, Subsection M.01.02, meeting the gradation requirements of Table 1, Column 1, with 100% passing the 3-inch Square Mesh Sieves.
- I. Granite Curb
 - 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section M.09 of the Standard Specifications.
- J. Cement Concrete
 - 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section M.02 of the Standard Specifications.
- K. Bituminous Concrete
 - 1. In accordance with the requirements of the Standard Specifications, Section 401 for Surface Course, Class I-2 and the gradation requirements for Class I-2 or sidewalk in section M.03.01.

L. Stone Dust

1. Stone dust shall conform to the following gradation requirements.

Sieve Size:	3/8"	#4	#8	#16	#30	#50	#100	#200
Percent Passing:	100	98	82	55	36	24	14	10.5

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 GRASS SEEDING

- A. General Plant seed between the periods of March 15th to June 15th and/or August 15th to October 15th and in accordance with the State Standards. Re-seed all newly filled or disturbed areas.
- B. Topsoil place and spread to a compacted thickness of not less than 6 inches where areas are filled or disturbed as a result of the construction operations. Key to underlying subgrade by means of harrows, rollers or other suitable and approved equipment. Do not begin placement until areas have been properly graded and prepared.
 - 1. Apply water as required, and in a manner that will prevent washing and eroding.
- C. Soil Preparation remove all ground surface irregularities to eliminate low areas where ponding of water will occur.
 - 1. Immediately prior to seeding, lightly till soil into an even and loose seedbed at the specified or directed line and grade.
- D. Fertilizing till lime into the upper 3-inch layer of loam at the rate of 46 pounds per 1,000 square feet of area to be seeded. Repeat procedure for application of fertilizer at the rate of 21 pounds of 10-6-4 commercial fertilizers per 1,000 square feet. Remove sticks, stones and debris from the areas and dispose of as directed.
- E. Seeding apply seed with mechanical landscape drill so that seed will have about 1/4" cover. Do not drill seed in windy weather or when ground is frozen. Use broadcast or hydraulic seeding methods only in areas inaccessible to machine methods; or use hydraulic equipment capable of pumping 100 gallons per minute at 100 pounds per square inch. Provide means for estimating volume used or remaining in storage tank.
 - 1. Water and maintain seeded areas for periods of 5 weeks following seeding including mowing. Avoid standing water, surface wash, or scour. Protect seeded areas from vehicle and pedestrian traffic by use of barriers and signs.
 - 2. Reseed areas where a satisfactory stand of grass, which has no bare spots larger than 72 square inches covering a maximum of 2 percent of the entire grassed area, has not been produced in a 5-week period. Repeat seeding until accepted.
- F. Mulching add cellulose fiber mulch in proper proportional quantities of water in a slurry tank and thoroughly mix. Spray mulch uniformly over seeded areas at the rate of 1,000

pounds per acre. Do not mulch in the presence of free surface water resulting from rain, melting snow, or similar causes.

3.1 INSTALLATION/RESTORATION

A. Excavation shall be in accordance with Section 02200 unless noted otherwise by the referenced specifications below.

B. Granite Curb

1. Installing new granite curb or removing, salvaging, and resetting existing granite curb at the locations indicated on the Drawings or as directed by Owner shall be in accordance with Section 906 of the Standard Specifications.

C. Sidewalks

 Installation of new or replacing existing sidewalks, driveways and wheelchair ramps at the locations shown on the Drawings or as directed by Owner shall be in accordance with Section 905 of the Standard Specifications.

D. Vegetated Areas, Plantings and Tree Beds

- 1. Restore all disturbed areas in accordance with the following Sections of the Standard Specifications.
 - a. Loam in accordance with L.01.
 - b. Seeding in accordance with L.02/
 - c. Plantings and Tree Beds in accordance with L.08.

E. Remove and Dispose Sidewalks in Sensitive Tree Areas

- 1. This work shall include removing concrete sidewalks from areas where sensitive tree roots are located below the sidewalk. The specification shall be applied to the trees affected by the installation of sidewalk in "Sensitive Tree Areas" as determined by the Woonsocket Department of Public Works (DPW). All work shall be performed under direct on-site supervision of the Owner or their designee. Contractor shall give the Woonsocket DPW opportunity to be on-site during this work as well.
- 2. Removal of concrete shall be accomplished by using hand tools and light power equipment. Pavement breakers and large backhoes shall not be used for this operation.
- 3. Remove sidewalk material taking special care not to damage underlying tree roots. The root system may be located directly below the sidewalk in some areas. Owner must be present during the sidewalk removal. The existing gravel sub base will be left in place.
- 4. Remove and dispose all debris immediately from the job site. No stockpiling of removed material will be allowed around the root zone of any tree.
- 5. The tree roots will not be allowed to remain uncovered for more than one (1) hour. Loam borrow will be placed over the tree roots until the stone dust and/or sidewalk is installed. The roots shall be kept moist, and not allowed to dry out. Water shall be provided by the Contractor until the actual surface is placed within the sidewalk area. Heavy equipment shall not be permitted to traverse the remaining root system.

F. Stonedust Sidewalk

- 1. The work shall include the construction of stone dust sidewalk on an existing gravel borrow sub-base. This specification shall govern work performed near the trunk base of trees designated by Owner as "Sensitive Tree Areas" and is intended to minimize damage to the root system of the trees which lie within the sidewalk area.
- 2. Installation of stone dust shall be done after the excavation of the existing sidewalk within the Sensitive Tree Area is complete.
- 3. Remove protective loam before the stone dust is installed. The remaining gravel sub-base shall be left in place. The stone dust shall be applied to a four (4) inch depth on the existing gravel sub-base within the designated "Sensitive Tree Area" The stone dust will be fine graded smooth and level.
- 4. The stone dust will be tamped in place by using hand tools only. The use of vibrating compactors will not be allowed. All roots will be left in place unless they are above the finish grade of the sidewalk. If root trimming is necessary, it shall be done in accordance with Section L.10, Tree Root Pruning of the State of Rhode Island Standard Specifications.
- 5. Roots are not to be left exposed for more than one (1) hour. Stone dust shall be installed immediately after the loam has been removed. Heavy equipment shall be excluded from the "Sensitive Tree Areas" at all times.

G. Restoration Limits

- 1. Where the trench location is in a sidewalk, the entire width of the sidewalk shall be replaced with new material. Side forms shall be set so as to obtain and preserve a straight edge along both sides of the walk.
- 2. Sidewalks shall be cut at existing joints or as directed otherwise by Owner.
- 3. Where trench is in a driveway, the driveway shall be repaved across its entire width with even edges.

H. Restoration Outside Limits of Work

- 1. Sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and curbing that are damaged by the Contractor's operations shall be restored to a condition at least equal to that in which they are found immediately prior to the start of operations. Materials and methods used for such restoration shall be in conformance with the requirements of the Standard Specification.
- 2. There shall be no cost to the Owner for this work.

I. Salvaged Granite Curb

1. All existing granite curb, which remains unused at the end of the project, shall be returned by the Contractor to the Woonsocket DPW. Deliver unused curb to a location designated by Woonsocket DPW personnel.

SECTION 02901 TREE PROTECTION

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This work shall include the performance of professional tree care practices to remove plant vegetation and stumps and to ensure the continuance of injury free and productive health of soils and trees during the course of the project. The tree care practices shall include felling trees, clearing brush and vines, grinding stumps, pruning tree branches and roots, applying mulch over soil and tree roots, and creating and maintaining tree protection for sensitive trees. All work shall be performed under the direct on site supervision of the Engineer or his/her designee during the construction phase of the project.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

A. The following words or phrases, when used in these specifications, shall have the following meanings unless otherwise specifically provided.

<u>ANSI A300</u>: The American National Standards Institute standard for pruning trees and shrubs (corresponding secretariat: National Arborist Association, Manchester, New Hampshire).

<u>ANSI Z133.1:</u> The American National Standards Institute standard for arboricultural operations (corresponding secretariat: International Society of Arboriculture, Champaign, Illinois).

<u>Basal or Trunk Flare:</u> The increased diameter where the roots and trunk meet (also known as the root flare or buttress).

Buttress Roots: Large, woody roots emerging from the base of the trunk; contribute to basal flare.

<u>Canopy or Crown:</u> The leaves and branches of a tree measured from the lowest branches on the trunk to the top of the tree.

<u>Cleaning or Sanitizing:</u> Selective pruning to remove dead, diseased and broken branches and foreign objects.

<u>Crown Raising</u>: The elimination by pruning of low growing branches and foliage to create a vegetation free zone under the tree.

<u>DBH:</u> Diameter at breast height; the diameter of the trunk as measured 54 inches (4 ½ feet) above grade.

<u>Dripline</u>: A vertical line extending from the outer surface of a tree's branch tips down to the ground.

<u>LOD</u>: Limit of project disturbance; delineated on project drawings as bold dashed line and in field by green colored tape affixed to selective trees and shrubs.

<u>Tree Protection Zone</u>: Area delineated within the tree's dripline to remain as open space, free of any external alteration or force without the expressed written consent of the Engineer or his/her designee. The boundary limits shall be 6 feet square as measured from the center of the tree.

<u>Trunk Protection</u>: The installation of vertical wooden planks around the trunk of sensitive trees in accordance with RIDOT Standard 51.1, or equal.

1.3 MATERIALS

- A. Unless otherwise specified, the materials used in implementing tree protection measures shall conform to the appropriate Material Section for that particular item included in the Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, latest revision.
- B. Mulch shall be seasoned (i.e., aged 3 months or longer) wood chips, less than 3 diameter inches long and wide, and free of stones and other foreign objects.
- C. Root pruning equipment shall be either vibrating knife or rock saw, or FANNO hand pruning saw, or equal.

1.4 CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

- A. <u>General</u>: The project contractor is required to meet with Owner or their designee at the project location where tree removal is required, prior to the beginning of tree clearing work to review all work procedures and tree protection measures.
- B. <u>Standards</u>: All tree care practices (tree felling, pruning, mulching, etc.) shall only be completed by a qualified arborist licensed by the State of Rhode Island in accordance with the latest professional standards outlined by American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Z 133.1 for arboricultural operations and ANSI A300 for pruning trees and shrubs. A copy of the arborist's current license shall be given to the Engineer prior to the start of the tree work.
- C. <u>Prohibited Activities</u>: No materials, equipment, spoil, or waste or washout water shall be deposited, stored, or parked within any tree protection zone.

1.5 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

- A. <u>Vegetation Clearance</u>: Remove and dispose off-site of all trees, shrubs, brush, logs and other dead and living plants in the locations directed by Owner, to permit the work of this Contract, using mechanized equipment and manual labor. Cut tree and shrub trunks as close as possible to ground surface. Stumps shall be removed where required for installation of water service piping.
- B. <u>Protecting Trunks</u>: Before any demolition or construction activities commence, furnish and install trunk protection when directed by Owner. Trunk protection shall conform to RIDOT Standard 51.1.
- C. Root Pruning: Any roots damaged during construction shall be exposed to sound tissue and immediately cut cleanly (no ripping or tearing) with a vibrating knife, or rock saw. Immediately after the root trimming, a two (2) inch layer of loam and, then, a four inch layer of wood chip mulch shall be placed over the cut roots.
- D. <u>Mulching</u>: Apply a 2-3 inch layer of wood chip mulch inside the tree protection zone of sensitive trees. The wood chips shall be spread evenly over the root zone but shall not come in contact with the base of the trunk of the tree or flare roots. Apply a 4 inch layer of mulch over the entire land area previously disturbed by vegetation clearance activities.

END OF SECTION

CITY OF WOONSOCKET LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

Attachment A

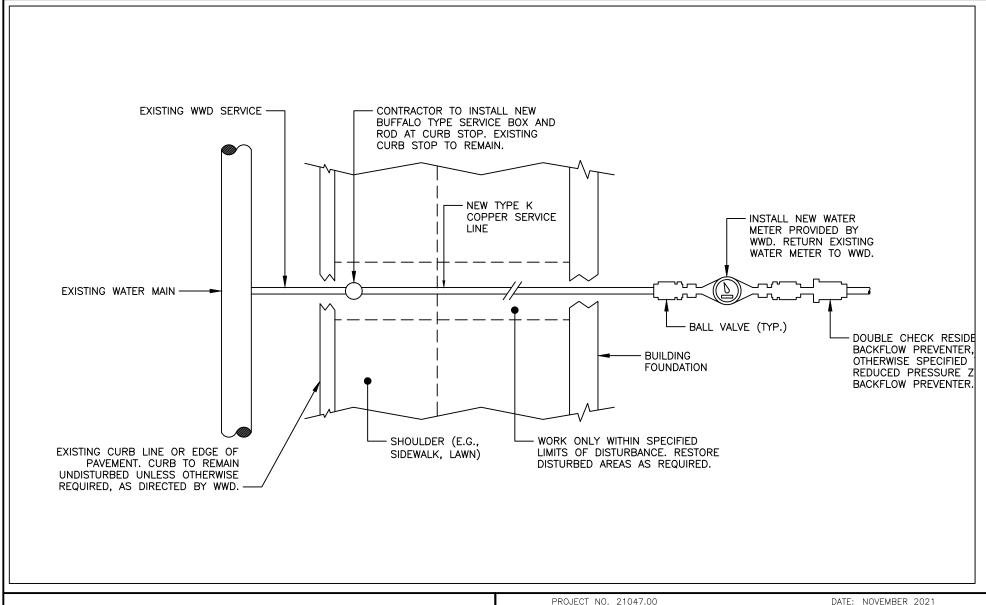
List of Water Service Replacement Locations

No.	Street Address	City	State	Material						
1	33 Hope St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
2	16 West Park Place	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
3	91 Cote Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
4	18 WINTHROP STREET	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
5	91 st. Barnabe st	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
6	65 67 Sixth Ave.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
7	380 Second Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
8	236-238 Lincoln St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
9	184-186 Rathbun St	Woonsocket	RI	Galvanized						
10	505 - 507 Fairmount Street	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
11	85 Burnside Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
12	567 Winter St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
13	279 Winter St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
14	356-358-360 Dulude Avenue	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
15	230 Wood Ave.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
16	236 Mason Street	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
17	342 Winter St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
18	50-52 Seventh Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
19	85 Lebrun ave.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
20	37 Olo St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
21	209 avenue c	Woonsocket								
22	499 Logee St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
23	121 Olo St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
24	514 Park Ave.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
25	527 Robinson St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
26	645 Fairmount St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
27	67 Bradford St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
28	413 S Main St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
29	144 Rebekah Street	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
30	1140 Park Avenue	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
31	37 4th Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
32	82 Edmund Street	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
33	85 Woodland Road	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
34	245 Eighth Avenue	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
35	219 Gaskill St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
36	63 Chalapa Avenue	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
37	86 Bellingham St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
38	214 Oakley Rd.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
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39	136 Garden St.	Bellingham	MA	Lead						
40	175 Cottage St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
41	670 Park Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
42	1021 Diamond Hill Rd	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
43	12 Greenville Road	North Smithfield	RI	Galvanized						
44 45	163 Great Rd	North Smithfield	RI	Lead						
45 46	196 PARK PLACE	WOONSOCKET	RI	Lead						
46 47	19 Louise St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
47	394 Blackstone St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
48	212 Great Road	North Smithfield	RI	Lead						
49	123 Woodland Rd.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
51	558 River St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
52	115 Summit St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
53	284 Prospect St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
54	83 Alice Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
55	203 Sunnyside Ave	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
56	25 Loring St.	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
57	133 Garden St	Woonsocket	RI	Lead						
8	401 Jillson Ave.	Woonsocket	RI	Galvanize						

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Attachment B

Typical Details



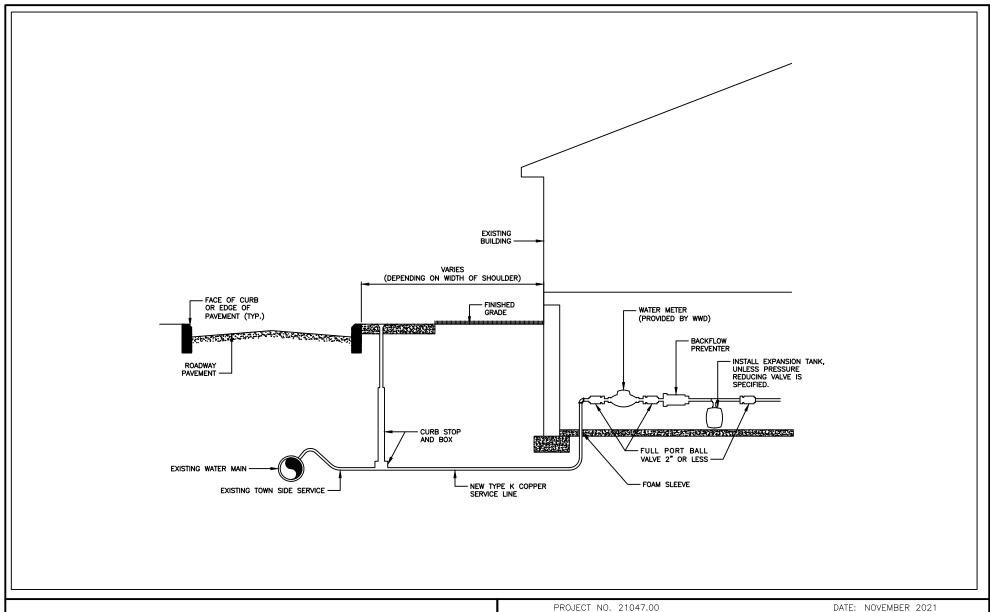


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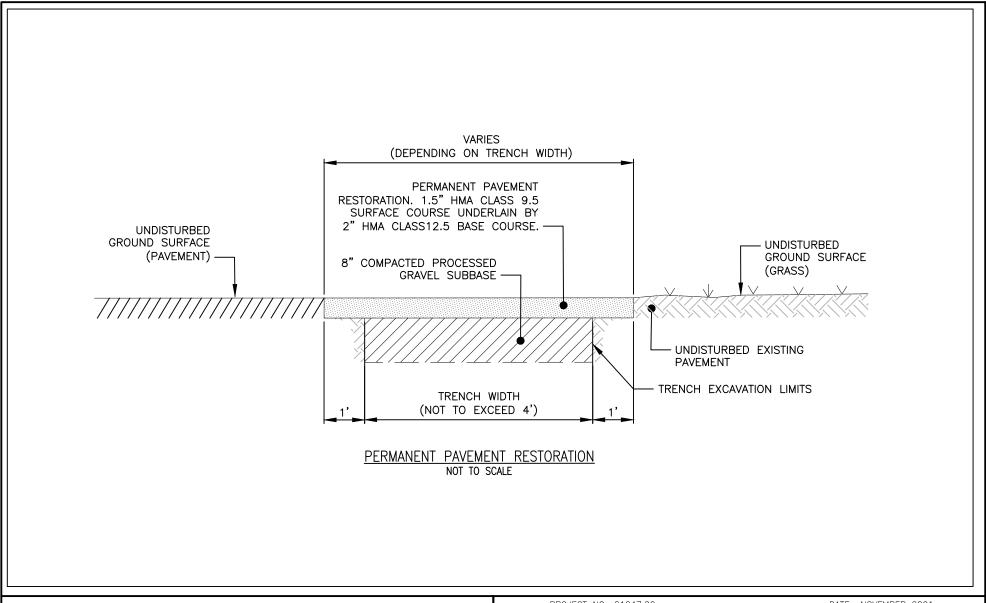


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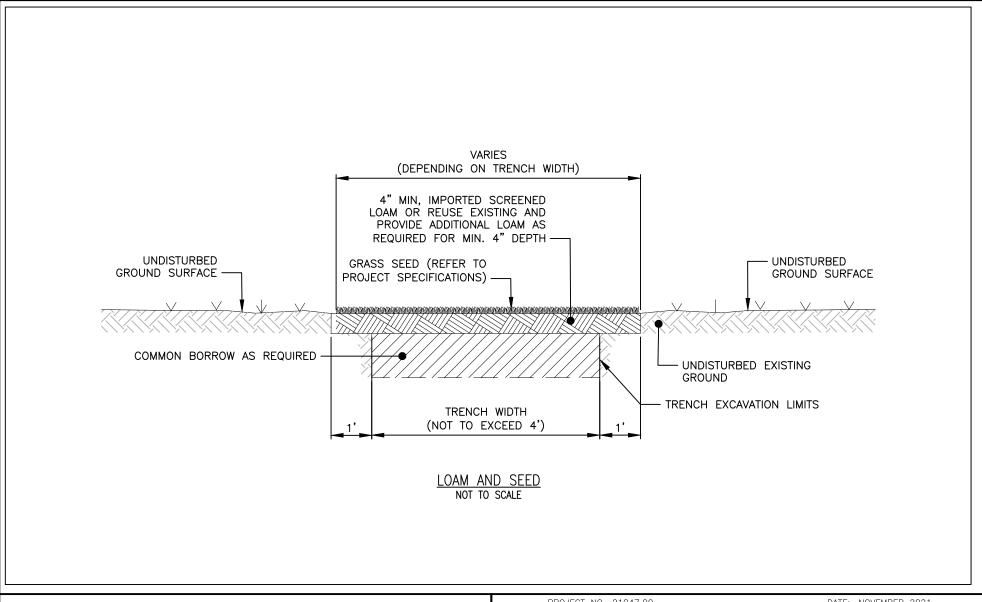
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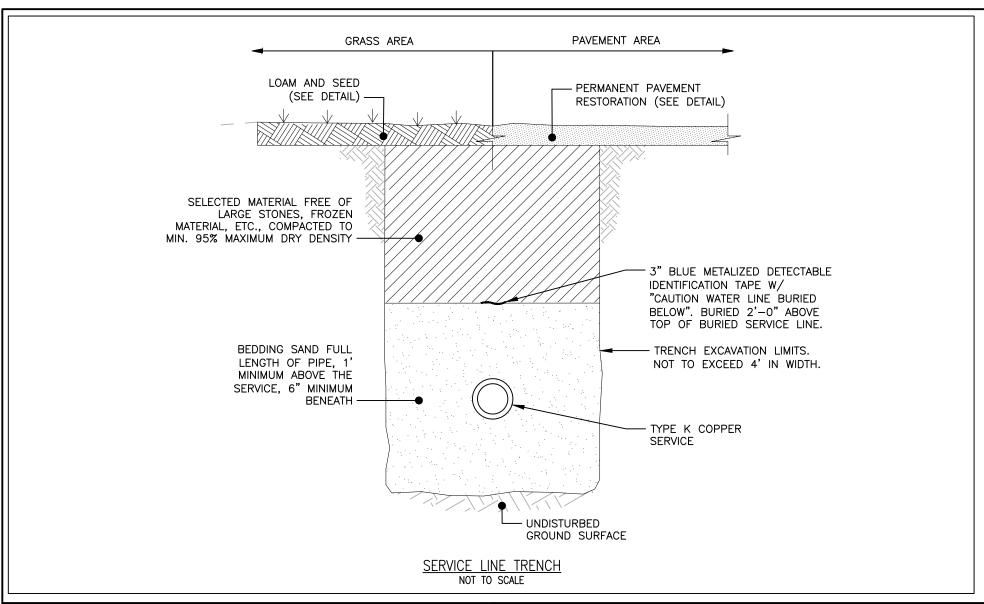
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LOAM AND SEED

WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND





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LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

SERVICE LINE TRENCH DETAIL

WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND

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Attachment C

General Release and Indemnification Waiver of Liability

GENERAL RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

The undersigned company (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") and the City of Woonsocket, Woonsocket Water Division, Rhode Island (the "City") enter into this General Release and Indemnification Agreement (the "Agreement") on this _____ day of ______ 2022.

WHEREAS, the Company was hired by, or otherwise contracted with, the City to perform certain services in connection with the replacement of lead pipes on private properties throughout the City of Woonsocket (the "Services");

WHEREAS, the City requires that the Company sign this Agreement before commencing the Services;

WHEREAS, the Company has agreed to sign this Agreement before commencing the Services;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company hereby agrees as follows:

- 1. **Release of Liability**. The Company remises, releases and forever discharges the City, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, successors and assigns of and from all actions, causes of action, claims, damages, liabilities, contributions, suits, and responsibilities of whatsoever kind, nature or description, direct or indirect, oral or written, known or unknown, matured or unmatured, choate or inchoate, suspected or unsuspected at the present time, in law or in equity, which may arise out of or are in connection with the Services, and waives any and all claims and demands of any nature arising from said Services.
- 2. <u>Indemnification</u>. The Company agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against any and all demands, actions, causes of actions, claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, and amounts paid in settlement of any claim or suit) of any kind or nature whatsoever which may be sustained or suffered by the City, arising out of, based upon, growing out of, or by reason of the Services.
- 3. <u>Voluntary Act</u>. The Company agrees that this Agreement is freely and voluntarily executed by the Company, who, in executing this Agreement, does not rely on any inducements, promises or representations of the City or its respective representatives or any state of past or present fact or future expectation which are not described herein.
- 4. Construction; Governing Law. This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement of the City and the Company with respect to the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations, and warranties, both written and oral, with respect to such subject matter. If any term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other term or provision of this Agreement or invalidate or render unenforceable such term or provision in any other jurisdiction. This Agreement is binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the City and its respective successors and assigns. All matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Rhode Island without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the State of Rhode Island or any other jurisdiction)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this General Release and Indemnification Agreement has been duly executed as an instrument under seal as of the day and year first above written.

CITY:

CITY OF WOONSOCKET, WOONSOCKET WATER DIVISION

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
COMPANY: [COMPANY NAME]	
By:	
Name:	
Title:	

City of Woonsocket, Woonsocket Water Division Waiver of Liability / Release

I hereby acknowledge that I have agreed to allow the City of Woonsocket, Woonsocket Water Division (the "City") and its employees and/or contractors on my property to perform certain services in connection with the replacement of certain water pipes and related general maintenance to upgrade the facilities on my premises that are utilized to supply water to my residence and/or place of business (the "Services"). I understand that these Services will be performed on my premises at no cost to me. In order to facilitate the City's efforts to perform these Services on my premises I am knowingly and voluntarily executing this waiver of liability.

<u>Liability Waiver:</u> For and in consideration of having such Services performed by the City and its contractors I hereby waive any claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, costs, expenses or demands for claims for liability against the City, its officers, directors, agents, representatives, and employees and further waive any and all claims, actions, causes of action and/or suits for damages in law and in equity, which may arise now or in the future in connection with the Services (including without limitation those based on negligence and/or product liability, breach of contract, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care owned under applicable laws). I also release and forever discharge the City and its directors, agents, representatives, contractors and employees from any and all damages or claims which I may hereafter have for other incidental expenses or losses, including, but not limited to any injuries or damages to me or my property, resulting directly or indirectly as a result of the Services.

Property Address	
Signature	
Name (Printed)	
 Date	

CITY OF WOONSOCKET LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

Attachment D

Cross-Connection Control Program of the Woonsocket Water Division

CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM



WOONSOCKET WATER DIVISION 1500 MANVILLE RD. WOONSOCKET, RI 02895

Approved by City of Woonsocket

Date November 16, 2015

Amended 3/2017

Woonsocket Water Division Cross-Connection Control Program

I. Authority

a. This program is implemented pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, RI General Laws 46-13-22, and Rhode Island Department of Health Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Drinking Water, Section 9.0: As Amended April 2009. Pursuant to these authorities the City of Woonsocket, Water Division has the primary responsibility for preventing water from unapproved sources, or any other substances, from entering the public potable water system.

II. Policy

- a. To protect the public potable water supply served by the Woonsocket Water Division from the possibility of contamination or pollution, by containment of the customers' service connection for such contaminants or pollutants which could backflow or backsiphon into the public water system.
- b. To promote the elimination or control of existing cross-connections, actual or potential, between its customers' in-plant potable water system, and non-potable systems.
- c. To provide for the maintenance of a continuing program of cross-connection control, this will effectively prevent the contamination or pollution of all potable water systems by cross-connection.

III. Definitions

- a. <u>Approved:</u> Accepted by the Director of Public Works as meeting an applicable specification stated or cited in this regulation, or as suitable for the proposed use.
- b. <u>ABPA:</u> American Backflow Prevention Association
- c. <u>Auxiliary Water Supply:</u> Any water supply, on or available, to the premises other than the purveyor's approved public potable water supply.
- d. <u>Backflow:</u> The flow of water or other liquids, mixtures or substances, under positive or reduced pressure in the distribution pipes of a potable water supply from any source other than its intended source.
- e. <u>Backpressure:</u> A condition in which the Owner's system pressure is greater than the supplier's system pressure.

- f. <u>Backsiphonage:</u> The flow of water or other liquids, mixtures or substances into the distribution pipes of a potable water supply system from any source other than its intended source caused by the sudden reduction of pressure in the potable water supply system.
- g. <u>Backflow Preventer</u>: A device or means designed to prevent backflow or backsiphonage. Most commonly categorized as air gap, reduced pressure principle device, double check valve assembly, pressure vacuum breaker, atmospheric vacuum breaker, hose bib vacuum breaker, residential dual check, double check with intermediate atmospheric vent, and barometric loop.
 - i. <u>Air Gap:</u> The term "air gap" indicates a physical separation between the free flowing discharge end of a potable water supply pipeline and an open or non-pressure receiving vessel. Air gaps are at least double the diameter of the supply pipe measured vertically above the overflow rim of the vessel with a minimum of at least 1 inch (ASME A112.1.2-2004).
 - ii. Atmospheric Vacuum Breaker Backsiphonage Prevention Assembly (AVB): Atmospheric vacuum breaker backsiphonage preventers or AVB (also known as the nonpressure type vacuum breaker) are assemblies that contain an air inlet valve, a check seat, and one or more air inlet ports. The flow of water into the body causes the air inlet valve to close the air inlet ports. When the flow of water stops, the air inlet valve falls and forms a check valve against backsiphonage. At the same time, it opens the air inlet ports allowing air to enter and satisfy the vacuum. A shutoff valve immediately upstream may be an integral part of the assembly, but the assembly should not be subjected to operating pressure for more than twelve hours in any twenty-four hour period. An atmospheric vacuum breaker is designed to protect against a non-health hazard (i.e., pollutant) or a health hazard (i.e., contaminant) under a backsiphonage condition only (FCCCHR, 1993).
 - iii. <u>Barometric Loop:</u> A fabricated piping arrangement rising at least thirty-five (35) feet at its topmost point above the highest fixture it supplies. It is utilized in water supply systems to protect against backsiphonage.
 - iv. <u>Double Check Valve Backflow Prevention Assemblies:</u> Double check valve backflow preventers are composed of two independently acting check valves, including tightly closing resilient seated fully ported shutoff valves attached at each end of the assembly and fitted with properly located resilient seated test cocks. These assemblies should only be used to protect against a non-health hazard (i.e., pollutant).
 - v. <u>Double Check Valve with Intermediate Atmospheric Vent:</u> A device having two (2) spring loaded check valves separated by an atmospheric vent chamber.

- vi. <u>Hose Connection Vacuum Breakers:</u> Hose Connection Vacuum Breakers (ASSE, 2004A) are designed to be installed on the discharge side of a hose bib. When not under pressure, the checking member is loaded to the closed position, while the atmospheric port(s) are loaded to the open position. These devices are intended for non-continuous use (i.e., 12 hours use in 24-hour period).
- vii. Hose Connection Backflow Preventer: Hose Connection Backflow Preventers (ASSE, 2005) are designed to be installed on the discharge side of a hose bib. This two-check device protects against backflow, due to backsiphonage, and low-head backpressure. This device shall only be used on systems where sources of backpressure are not introduced. This device shall only be used on hose bibs where the low-head backpressure does not exceed that generated by an elevated hose equal to or less than 3 meters (10 ft.) in height. This device shall not be subjected to more than twelve (12) hours of continuous water pressure.
- viii. Pressure Vacuum Breakers: Pressure vacuum breaker backsiphonage prevention assemblies contain an independently operating internally loaded check valve and an independently operating loaded air inlet valve located on the discharge side of the check valve. The assemblies are equipped with resilient seated test cocks and tightly closing resilient seated fully ported shutoff valves attached at each end of the assembly. These assemblies are designed to protect against a non-health hazard (i.e., pollutant) or a health hazard (i.e., contaminant) under a backsiphonage condition only.
- ix. Spill-Resistant Pressure Vacuum Breakers: Spill-resistant pressure vacuum breaker backsiphonage preventers contain an independently operating, internally loaded check valve and independently operating loaded air inlet valve located on the discharge side of the check valve. These assemblies are equipped with a resilient seated test cock, a bleed/vent port and tightly closing, resilient seated, fully ported shutoff valves attached at each end of the assembly. These assemblies are designed to protect against a non-health hazard (i.e., pollutant) or a health hazard (i.e., contaminant) under a backsiphonage condition only.
- x. Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assemblies: Reduced pressure principle backflow preventers contain two independently acting check valves together with a hydraulically operating, mechanically independent, pressure differential relief valve located between the check valves and at the same time below the first check valve. The units include resilient seated test cocks and tightly closing, resilient seated, fully ported shutoff valves at each end of the assembly. These assemblies are designed to protect against a non-health (i.e., pollutant) or a health hazard

(i.e., contaminant). This assembly should not be used for backflow protection of sewage or reclaimed water.

xi. Residential Dual Check:

- Dual Check Backflow Preventer (ASSE, 2004B) These devices contain two internally loaded check valves. These devices are intended to protect the potable water supply from non-health hazards at residential service lines and individual outlets.
- 2. Dual Check with Intermediate Atmospheric Vent (ASSE, 2002) These devices contain two independently operating loaded check valves separated by an intermediate chamber with a means for venting to the atmosphere. These devices are designed to give protection against low hazard backpressure and/or backsiphonage conditions on individual outlets. They are not designed nor intended for building isolation or high hazard conditions.
- 3. Residential Dual Check devices, as defined herein, are not typically designed to accommodate testing and are therefore treated as non-testable for purposes of this plan.
- h. <u>Containment:</u> A method of backflow prevention which requires backflow preventer at the water service entrance.
- i. <u>Contaminant:</u> A substance that will impair the quality of the water to a degree that it creates a serious health hazard to the public leading to poisoning or the spread of disease.
- j. <u>Cross-Connection:</u> Any actual or potential connection between the public water supply and a source of contamination or pollution.
- k. <u>Director of Public Works:</u> The Director or his/her delegated representative in charge of the Woonsocket Water Division is invested with the authority and responsibility for the implementation of a cross connection control program and for the enforcement of the provisions of the Ordinance.
- I. <u>Fixture Isolation:</u> A method of backflow prevention in which a backflow preventer is located to correct a cross connection at an in-plant location rather than at a water service entrance. Jurisdiction is under RI Plumbing Code.
- m. <u>Internal Backflow Preventer:</u> A backflow preventer located downstream of a containment backflow preventer. Jurisdiction is under RI Plumbing Code.
- n. <u>Lead Free:</u> Not containing more than 0.2% lead in solder and flux; not more than a weighted average of 0.25% lead in wetted surfaces of pipes, pipe and plumbing

fittings and fixtures. As defined by Federal -Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act – 2011 which modifies the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 as amended by Lead Contamination Control Act of 1988 to re-define Lead Free regarding pipes, pipe fittings, plumbing fittings and fixtures.

- o. NEWWA: New England Water Works Association
- p. NIST: National Institute of Standards and Technology
- q. Owner: Any person who has legal title to, or license to operate or habitat in a property upon which a cross-connection inspection is to be made or upon which a cross-connection is present.
- r. <u>Person:</u> Any individual, partnership, company, public or private corporation, political subdivision or agency of the State Department, agency or instrumentality or the United States or any other legal entity.
- s. <u>Pollutant:</u> A foreign substance, that if permitted to get into the public water system, will degrade its quality so as to constitute a moderate hazard, or impair the usefulness or quality of the water to a degree which does not create an actual hazard to the public health but which does adversely and unreasonably affect such water for domestic use.
- t. RIDOH: Rhode Island Department of Health
- u. <u>Water Service Entrance</u>: That point in the Owner's water system beyond the sanitary control of the District; generally considered to be the outlet end of the water meter and always before any unprotected branch.
- v. WWD: Woonsocket Water Division
- IV. Responsibility: The Director of Public Works will operate this cross-connection program with the goal of the protection of the public potable water distribution system from contamination or pollution due to the backflow or backsiphonage of contaminants or pollutants through the water service connection. If, in the reasonable judgment of the Director, an approved backflow device is required at the city's water service connection to any customer's premises, the Director, or his/her delegated agent, shall give notice in writing to said customer to install an approved backflow prevention device at each service connection to his/her premises.
 - a. Woonsocket Water Division Responsibility
 - i. The WWD recognizes that any backflow preventer can fail and that any method of protection can be compromised. For these reasons, periodic testing and inspection are necessary. The WWD will, as needed, perform inspections for actual or potential cross-connections. These inspections

- will be made during normal business hours unless other arrangements are necessary. The WWD, as a condition of service, reserves the right to perform periodic testing or observe testing as performed by qualified individuals. This includes air gap protection.
- ii. The WWD will, after inspection or review of plans or third party inspection reports, notify the owner by letter of any necessary correction, the method of making corrections, and any additional customer responsibility such as required testing. The recommendations will be made based on the level of hazards observed during the inspection and the current perceived use of the building. An upgrade in backflow prevention to a higher hazard device may be required should new information be received or observed during inspection or if a change in use occurs. If disconnection is required due to failure of compliance regarding testing, installation, proper maintenance WWD will notify the customer and specify the failure that requires correction.
- iii. Ordinarily, unless otherwise agreed to by the WWD, forty-five (45) days will be allowed, for correction of a low level hazard, ten (10) days for a moderate to high hazard, however, this time period may be shortened depending upon the degree of hazard involved and the history of the device(s) in question.
- iv. The WWD will not allow any cross-connection to remain unless it is protected by an approved backflow preventer and which will be regularly tested and inspected to ensure satisfactory operation.
- v. Any existing backflow preventer shall be allowed by the WWD to continue in service unless the degree of hazard is such as to supersede the effectiveness of the present backflow preventer, or result in an unreasonable risk to the public health. Where the degree of hazard has increased, as in the case of a residential installation converting to a business establishment, any existing backflow preventer must be upgraded to a reduced pressure principle device, or a reduced pressure principle device must be installed in the event that no backflow device was present.
- vi. If the WWD determines at any time that a serious threat to the public health exists, the water service will be terminated immediately.
- vii. The WWD recognizes the threat to the public water system arising from cross connections. All threats will be classified by degree of hazard and will require the installation of approved reduced pressure principle backflow prevention devices or double check valves. Residential services, at a minimum, will require a non testable Dual Check Back Flow Preventer being warranted by degree of hazard.

- viii. The WWD will initiate and maintain the following: A program to educate customers on, at a minimum, thermal expansion in closed loop systems and limitations on the protection of water downstream of the service connection.
- ix. The WWD will provide standardized survey forms, reports and required notifications used by WWD. See Appendix A. The WWD will maintain the required records related to the master list of service connections relying upon approved backflow preventers, inventory information on approved air gaps or backflow preventers and records related to inspections, tests and test results, and program summary reports and backflow incident reports.
- x. All use of fire hydrants, public or private, except for firefighting purposes will need approval of the WWD and appropriate backflow deemed necessary by the WWD. Use of a public hydrant, backflow prevention device must be provided by the WWD with expense to the responsible customer. Use of a private hydrant, backflow prevention device may be supplied by the WWD with expense to the customer or supplied by the customer with specifications (type of backflow preventer, configuration of check valves, reducers, etc.) approved by the WWD.

a. Owner Responsibility

- i. The Owner shall be responsible for the elimination or protection of all cross-connections on his/her premises. Pursuant to RIDOH regulations (RIDOH Rules Section 9.4(a)), the installation of backflow preventers is required at all newly constructed service connections prior to the provision of water service and at all pre-existing residential and non-residential service connections.
- ii. The Owner, after having been informed by a letter requiring action by the Owner, shall inform the WWD of corrective actions to be taken. Owner shall at his/her expense, install, maintain, and test, or have tested, any and all backflow preventers on his/her premises.
- iii. All testable backflow preventers shall be tested at the time of installation, immediately after repairs or relocation and at least annually. Backflow prevention devices will be tested more frequently in cases where there is a history of test failures and the WWD feels that due to the degree of hazard involved, additional testing is warranted. Cost of the additional tests will be borne by the Owner. The WWD recognizes that residential backflow preventers are not currently designed to be tested, and therefore residential backflow preventers are not subject to the annual testing requirement.

- iv. The WWD will require that any backflow preventer which fails during a periodic test or inspection will be repaired or replaced. When repairs are necessary, upon completion of the repair the device will be re-tested at Owner's expense to ensure correct operation. High hazard situations will not be allowed to continue unprotected if the backflow preventer fails the test and cannot be repaired immediately. In other situations, a compliance date of not more than thirty (30) days after the test date will be established. The Owner is responsible for spare parts, repair tools, or a replacement device. Parallel installation of two (2) devices is an effective means of the Owner insuring that uninterrupted water service during testing or repair of devices and is strongly recommended when the Owner desires such continuity.
- v. Reduced pressure principle backflow devices shall be tested and inspected at least annually. Test results, including the testers name and certification number, are to be reported to the WWD. Incorrect forms or incomplete information will require a retest.
- vi. The Owner shall correct any malfunction of the backflow preventer which is revealed by periodic testing.
- vii. The Owner shall inform the WWD of any proposed or modified crossconnections and also any existing cross-connections of which the Owner is aware but has not been found by the WWD.
- viii. The Owner shall not install a bypass around any backflow preventer unless there is a backflow preventer of the same type on the bypass.

 Owners who cannot shut down operation for testing of the device(s) must supply additional devices necessary to allow testing to take place.
- ix. The Owner shall only install backflow preventers meeting or exceeding the standards approved by the Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research of the University of Southern California (FCCCHR-USC) and/or the American Society of Sanitary Engineers (ASSE) and/or American Water Works Association (AWWA).
- x. Any Owner having a private well or other private water source will be required to install a High Hazard backflow preventer at the service entrance if a private water source is maintained, even if it is not cross-connected to the WWD's system.
- xi. For dual water sources, the potable water distribution system of any building or premises must be connected to a public water supply when available. In the event that a building or premises is serviced by both a public supply and a private water source over which the public water supply system officials do not have sanitary control (i.e. between

municipal water and a private well or a reclaimed or recycled water system), direct cross-connections between the two supplies are prohibited. An air gap between the systems shall be maintained at all times. In no event shall the private source supply the distribution system served by the public water supply. All dual-source facilities will be considered a high hazard and have the appropriate backflow preventer installed at the service connection.

- xii. All new residential buildings will be required to install a residential dual check device immediately downstream of the water meter. Installation of this residential dual check device on a retrofit basis on existing service lines will be instituted at a time and at a potential cost to the Owner as deemed necessary by the WWD. The Owner must be aware that installation of a residential dual check valve results in a potential closed plumbing system within his/her residence. As such, provisions may have to be made by the Owner to provide for thermal expansion within his/her closed loop system (i.e., the installation of thermal expansion devices and/or pressure relief valves). For purposes of the cross connection program, the classification of a property as commercial, industrial, or residential shall be based on the tax classification of said property as determined by the municipal tax assessor's office. The installation of backflow preventer shall not be made a mandatory condition of a transfer of a residential property constructed prior to July 2, 2007.
- xiii. In the event the Owner installs plumbing to provide potable water for domestic purposes which is on the influent side of the backflow preventer, such plumbing must have its own backflow preventer installed.
- xiv. All containment backflow preventer assemblies shall be lead free. All internal backflow preventer assemblies used for portable water for human consumption shall be lead free.
- xv. The Owner shall be responsible for the annual testing and retesting, in the case that the device fails to operate correctly, in compliance with WWD or RIDOH requirements. The owner will correct any malfunction of the backflow preventer which is revealed by periodic testing.
- xvi. The Owner shall not bypass, make inoperative, remove, or otherwise make ineffective, any Backflow Preventer without specific authorization of the WWD. Owner shall inform the WWD of any new, potential, proposed or modified cross-connection.

V. Quality Assurance and Control:

- a. WWD reserves the right to disqualify backflow prevention test kits by manufacturer.
- b. Test kits will be calibrated annually or by manufacturer's specifications, whichever is the minimum.
- c. Test kits will be calibrated Point Calibration traceable to NIST.
- d. Documentation of NEWWA and/or ABPA Backflow Prevention Inspector/Tester Certification will be submitted to the WWD.
- e. Documentation of test kit type and periodic calibrations will be submitted to WWD.
- f. Backflow test reports will consist of:
 - i. Leak tightness test of check valve one (1)
 - ii. Leak tightness test of check valve two (2)
 - iii. Leak tightness test of the number two (2) shutoff valve (downstream valve of the assembly)
 - iv. Relief valve opening test where applicable
 - v. Test readings of PSID (pounds per square inch differential) submitted to WWD
- g. There will be a five (5) day maximum for submission of completed Backflow Test Report to WWD.
- VI. Responses: In the event of a backflow incident the following procedures will apply:
 - a. Identify Source of Backflow:
 - i. In response to water quality complaints, the WWD will collect water samples as necessary to determine water quality in the facility, as well as the water at the service entrance prior to the isolation of the backflow. The WWD will review water system records to verify if changes in operating pressures, consumption patterns, scheduled distribution system repairs, fire hydrant use, fire flow testing or hydrant flushing has taken place. The WWD will determine whether the source of the backflow is the Owner's internal plumbing and/or the City's distribution system and trace

the Owner's water lines to find the source of a potential backflow issue within the Owner's premises.

b. Isolate Source of Backflow:

ii. The WWD will trace the source of the backflow, identify the nature of the backflow (chemical, biological or other hazards), isolate the source, determine the extent of the contamination and determine if the contamination is restricted to one area of the customer's facility or if the entire facility is affected. Multiple water samples will, as necessary, be taken before any system or on-site flushing is performed to identify the affected areas.

c. Determine Extent/Severity of Backflow:

i. The WWD will inform the Owner of any backflow within the Owner's internal plumbing system and inform him/her of proper changes to the plumbing system to be made by him/her. The WWD will determine if contamination has backflowed into the distribution system or the source of the on-site contamination is coming from the distribution system. Water sampling will be taken in the distribution system to the extent necessary for the isolation of any backflow. Identifying that the contamination has reached the distribution system means that all customers on that distribution system may be affected. The WWD will isolate that portion of the distribution system which may have been affected by the contamination

d. Notification:

i. In the event public notification of a confirmed backflow in the City's distribution system is deemed necessary it will be conducted by any one or all of the following: an automated phone system, door to door contact, flyers, newspapers, radio, television or any appropriate means. A confirmed backflow contained in the Owner's premises will result in proper notification to all occupants/employees and any occupants/employees will be instructed not to use the water. The Owner may make the decision for all occupants/employees to leave the facilities/building.

e. Clean System:

i. The WWD will isolate and unidirectional flush the affected distributing system for the safe discharging of contaminated water from the distribution system. The Owner will be responsible for cleaning the internal plumbing downstream of the service entrance and discharging the contaminated water in a safe manner.

- f. Backflow Preventer Installation:
 - ii. The WWD will require the installation of the appropriate backflow protection, as well as the acceptable initial field test of the assembly before returning service to the Owner. If the backflow is confirmed as being contained to the Owner's premises, the Owner will need to take any action necessary to shut off the water, any equipment using the water, eliminate or provide adequate backflow protection of the cross-connection hazard and clean the internal plumbing system.
 - iii. Other authorities having jurisdiction (i.e. health agencies, plumbing code enforcement agencies, etc.) will be responsible for ensuring that the internal plumbing system is corrected and properly inspected for compliance.
- g. Documentation: A full report documenting all actions taken during the investigation of a cross connection hazard will be compiled in writing by the WWD. The WWD will review all actions taken; noting lessons learned during any investigated actions that will help with any future backflow event.

City of Woonsocket Water Division Cross Connection Survey Form

				Date:	
Name of Company, C	Corporation or Bus	siness:			
Address:					
Name of Contact:	N				
Type of Use:	Industrial	Commercial	Governmental	Other	
Location of Service:					
Size of Service		Inch	Metered?	Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Require non-interrupte	ed water service?			Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Does Boiler Feed utiliz	ze chemical additi	ves?		Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Is Backflov	w protection incorp	porated?		Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Are air conditioning co	ooling towers utiliz	ed?		Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Is Backflov	v protection incorp	porated?		Yes 🗌	No 🗆
ls a Water Saver utiliz	ed on condensing	lines or cooling towers?	N/A	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Is the make	e-up supply line b	ackflow protected?		Yes 🗌	No 🗆
ls process water in use	e and if so, is it po	table supply water or "raw" wate	r?	N/A 🗆	Potable 🗌
			Raw 🗌	Protected	Unprotected
s fire protection water	separate from the	e potable supply?		Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Are Containment Devid	ces in place?			Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Summary					
Degree of Hazard				High 🗌	Low 🗌
ype of device recomm	nended for contair	nment?	RPZ 🗌	DCV 🗆	None 🗌
Fixture Outlet protectio	n required?			Yes 🗌	No 🗆
so, where?					

City of Woonsocket, Water Division Backflow Prevention Device Assembly Test Report Form

Owner of Property							_	DateTime									
Mailing Address						_		Tested by									
		(City, Town) (Zip							_		Certificate #						
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CITY OF WOONSOCKET FORWARD WOONSOCKET "A CITY ON THE MOVE"

Water Division 1500 Manville Road Woonsocket, RI 02895

Tel. (401) 767-2482 Fax (401) 765-2552

Date

Owner's Name Street Address City, State Zip

Re: Overdue Backflow Test Results

Account #: ###

Location: Location of Backflow

Our records indicate that testing of the following backflow preventer(s) is due. Backflow preventers are installed to protect the public water supply and must be tested annually. Please have your backflow preventer(s) tested and the official test reports sent to the Water Division.

(Please note that backflow preventers on residential properties would be installed with lawn sprinkler and fire suppression systems)

Backflow Device No. 1

Backflow Device No. 2

Attached is a list of approved and certified BFP Testing companies.

Please fax BFP test reports to (401) 766-6517 or mail to:

Water Division Engineering Technician City of Woonsocket PO Box B Woonsocket, RI 02895

Questions should be directed to Engineering Technician at: (401) 597-6680.