



The City of Canton

Invitation to Bid

City of Canton, Ohio
Purchasing Department
218 Cleveland Ave. SW, 4th floor
Canton, Ohio 44702

Centennial Plaza

Item/Project

Planning

Responsible Department

2:00:00 PM, 6/28/2019

Bids Due

Bid Proposal Submitted By:

Company Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Contact Person

Phone No.

Email Address



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Instructions to Bidders: **Bidder's Checklist: The completed Bid Form shall be accompanied by the following completed documents:**

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_____ **Bid Guaranty and, if applicable Contract Bond (See Paragraph H.8, below.)**

_____ **Contractor's Qualification Statement (See Paragraph I.4, below.)**

_____ **Contractor's List of Subcontracted Work Categories (See Paragraph I.5, below.)**

_____ **A list identifying its DBE subcontractors and participation rates as a percentage of the Contract Price, and if the DBE participation goal has not been met, certification of good faith efforts to meet the DBE participation goal. (See Section W, below.)**

_____ **The Project Labor Agreement (PLA) Letter of Assent (See Appendix A).**

_____ **If this project is funded in whole or part by the Ohio Public Works Commission, then certification of agreement and compliance with certain statements and covenants regarding Bidder's subscription to the State's Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for State-assisted Construction Contracts (See Section Y, below.)**

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LEGAL NOTICE: Ordinance 81/2019

The City of Canton, Ohio Director of Public Service will accept sealed bids on or before 2:00 PM local time on 06/28/2019 for the purpose of securing bids for the:

Centennial Plaza Project

The City will disqualify any bid not received on or before 2:00 PM local time on 06/28/2019. Shortly after the deadline for the submission of bids, bids received on time will be publically opened and read aloud. The 6th floor Conference Room of Canton City Hall, 218 Cleveland Ave. SW, Canton, OH 44702 is the location for the Bid Opening.

Submit all bids to the City of Canton Purchasing Department, 218 Cleveland Avenue SW, Sixth Floor, Canton, Ohio 44702 according to the specifications and bid documents at the City of Canton Purchasing Department's website at <http://cantonohio.gov/purchasing/>.

Each bid must contain the full name of every person or company participating in the bid.

A certified check, cashier's check or surety bond, in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code, must accompany the bid. This check or bond must be made payable to the City of Canton. Draw this check or bond from a solvent bank or bonding company satisfactory to the Director of Public Service as a guarantee the contract and its performance are properly secured if the bid is accepted. Said certified check or cashier's check shall be for ten percent (10%) of the total amount bid. Where a bid bond is used, it shall be in an amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid. The City of Canton will only accept original checks and bid bonds. Therefore if any company and/or bidder submits a copy of its security, the City will disqualify the bid. Bidders submitting a certified or cashier's check will be required to provide a surety bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract sum for faithful performance. The Director of Public Service reserves the right to waive any technical defects in any bid bond submitted so long as the bond is in substantial compliance with state law. Should any bid not be awarded or be rejected, such check or bond will be returned to the bidder or bidders after the execution of the contract.

Any bidder may withdraw his bid, by written request, at any time prior to the hour set for the bid opening by following the instructions in the Invitation to Bid.

The Board of Control reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid(s) deemed most beneficial to the City of Canton.

The successful bidder must comply with all State of Ohio Prevailing Wage Rates.

All companies must submit their Federal ID Number.

A Project Labor Agreement (PLA) will be required for this project.

The cost estimate is \$11,000,000.00.

The bidder is responsible for monitoring the City's website for any official addenda.

Please contact Director of Purchasing, Andrew Roth at andrew.roth@cantonohio.gov if you have any questions regarding this bid.

By order of the Canton Director of Public Service: John M. Highman, Jr.
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BIDDER'S PLEDGE AND AGREEMENT

1. Each Bidder acknowledges that this is a public project involving public funds and that the Owner expects and requires that each successful Bidder adhere to the highest ethical and performance standards. Each Bidder by submitting a bid pledges and agrees that (a) it will act at all times with absolute integrity and truthfulness in its dealings with the Owner and the Engineer, (b) it will use its best efforts to cooperate with the Owner and the Engineer and all other Contractors on the Project and at all times will act with professionalism and dignity in its dealings with the Owner, Engineer, and other Contractors, (c) it will assign only competent supervisors and workers to the Project, each of whom is fully qualified to perform the tasks that are assigned to him/her, and (d) it has read, understands and will comply with the terms of the Contract Documents.

B. EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE CONDITIONS AND RELIANCE UPON TECHNICAL DATA

1. Each Bidder shall have a competent person carefully and diligently review each part of the Contract Documents, including the Divisions of the Specifications and parts of the Drawings that are not directly applicable to the Work on which the Bidder is submitting its bid. By submitting its bid, each Bidder represents and agrees, based upon its careful and diligent review of the Contract Documents, that it is not aware of any conflicts, inconsistencies, errors, or omissions in the Contract Documents for which it has not notified the Owner in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the bid opening. If there are any such conflicts, inconsistencies, errors, or omissions in the Contract Documents, the Bidder (i) will provide the labor, equipment, or materials of the better quality or greater quantity of Work and/or (ii) will comply with the more stringent requirements. The Bidder will not be entitled to any Change Order, additional compensation, or additional time on account of such conditions for any conflicts, inconsistencies, errors, or omissions that would have been discovered by such careful and diligent review, unless it has given prior written notice to the Owner.
2. Each Bidder shall have a competent person carefully and diligently inspect and examine the entire site and the surrounding area, including all parts of the site applicable to the Work for which it is submitting its bid, including location, condition, and layout of the site and the location of utilities, and carefully correlate the results of the inspection with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Bidder's bid shall include all costs attributable to site and surrounding area conditions that would have been discovered by such careful and diligent inspection and examination of the site and the surrounding area, and the Bidder shall not be entitled to any Change Order, additional compensation, or additional time on account of such conditions.
3. The Bidder may rely upon the general accuracy of any technical data identified in the Owner-Contractor Agreement (e.g., any soils exploration reports, soil boring logs, site survey, or abatement reports) in preparing its bid, but such technical data are not part of the Contract Documents. Except for the limited reliance described in the preceding sentence, Bidder may not, if awarded a contract for the Work, rely upon or make any Claim against the Owner or Engineer, or any of their agents or employees, with respect to any of the following:
 - a. the completeness of such reports and drawings for Bidder's purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by the successful Bidder and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or
 - b. any interpretation by the successful Bidder of or conclusion drawn from any technical data or any such other data, interpretations, opinions, or information. For example, all interpolations and extrapolations of data performed by the Bidder to



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estimate locations or quantities of subsurface strata are independent factual assumptions, which Owner does not warrant.

4. Each Bidder will be deemed to have actual knowledge of all information provided or discussed at the pre-bid meeting.

C. OWNER & ENGINEER

1. The Owner is:

The City of Canton
218 Cleveland Avenue SW
Canton, OH 44702
Telephone: 330.489.3245
Fax: 330.489.3499

The Owner's Representative is:

Donn Angus

2. The Design Engineer for the Project is:

MKSK
462 S. Ludlow Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43215

D. PROJECT

1. The Project and Work for the Project consists of all labor, materials, equipment, and services necessary for construction of the project identified as **Centennial Plaza Project** ("the Project"), all in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications prepared by the Engineer and/or Owner. The Project must be substantially complete by the Date for Substantial Completion set forth in Section Q below.
2. The Mayor **has** determined that a Project Labor Agreement ("PLA") will advance the City's procurement interest in cost, efficiency, and quality while promoting labor-management stability as well as compliance with applicable legal requirements governing safety and health, equal employment opportunity, labor and employment standards, and other related matters. Any such PLA shall be negotiated by the Mayor of the Owner with the East Central Ohio Building and Construction Trades Council and its affiliated local unions, or said Council's successor. The successful Bidder shall comply with and adhere to all of the provisions of any PLA for the Project.
3. A pre-bid conference will be held at **11:00 AM on June 12, 2019** at **Engineering, City Service Center, Building A**
2436 30th Street NE
Canton, OH 44705, 330-489-3381.

E. WORK

1. This Project includes **Plumbing/HVAC/Refrigeration, Electrical, General Site Work, Steel Fabrication, Excavating, General Trades**, and the like as set forth in the Contract Documents.



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2. Alternate No. 1 for this Project is **NA**.
3. Alternate No. 2 for this Project is **NA**.
4. Only one contract will be issued by the Owner for constructing the Project, the General Contract, which will cover all scopes of work necessary to construct the Project.
5. The Contractor awarded the General Contract (General Contractor) will be responsible for the performance and coordination of any and all subcontractors and suppliers either directly or indirectly contracted with the General Contractor.
6. Owner will provide Bidders access to the Project site to conduct such examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, and studies as Bidder deems necessary for submission of a Bid. Bidder shall fill all holes, clean up, and restore the Site to its former condition upon completion of such explorations, investigations, tests, and studies. Bidder shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations and Owner's policies relative to excavation and utility locates. Bidders may contact **Donn Angus**, The City of Canton, at **donn.angus@cantonohio.gov** or **330-438-4343** if they have any interest in accessing the Project site, independent of any pre-bid meeting.

F. ESTIMATE OF COST

1. The total estimated construction cost for the Base Bid Work for the Project for which bids are being solicited at this time is **\$11,000,000.00**.

The estimated cost for Alternate 1 - **NA** is: **\$-**.

The estimated cost for Alternate 2 - **NA** is: **\$-**.

G. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of the documents listed in Section 1 of the Owner-Contractor Agreement.

Bidders may view and download copies of the Contract Documents from The City of Canton Purchasing web site at <https://cantonohio.gov/purchasing/>, which is the only authorized source of the Contract Documents. The City of Canton's sourcing tool, Vendor Registry, will maintain the Bidder's list and will provide notice and copies of Addenda as issued. It is the responsibility of any person or organization interested in a hard copy of the Contract Documents to pay all costs associated with printing.

Bidders shall use complete sets of Contract Documents in preparing bids. Neither the Owner nor the Design Engineer assumes any responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Contract Documents.

The Owner, in making the Contract Documents available on the above terms, does so only for the purpose of obtaining bids on the Work and does not confer a license or grant for any other use.

H. PREPARATION OF BIDS

1. All bids must be submitted on the "Bid Form" furnished with the Contract Documents.
2. All blank spaces shall be filled in, in ink or typewritten, in words and figures, and in figures only where no space is provided for words, and signed by the Bidder. The wording on the Bid Form shall be used without change, alteration, or addition. Any change in the wording or omission of specified accompanying documents may cause the bid to be rejected. If there is an inconsistency or conflict in the Bid, the lowest amount shall control, whether expressed in numbers or words.



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3. Bidders shall note receipt of Addenda on the Bid Form. If the Bidder fails to acknowledge receipt of each Addendum, the Bid shall be deemed non-responsive, unless the Bid amount clearly and unambiguously reflects receipt of the Addendum or the Addendum involves only a matter of form and does not materially affect the price, quantity or quality of the Work to be performed.
4. Each Bidder shall submit **an original and one copy** of its bid to the Owner. The Bid Form shall be signed with the name typed or printed below the signature. A Bid shall not be submitted by facsimile transmission or any other electronic means. A Bidder that is a corporation shall sign its bid with the legal name of the corporation followed by the name of the state of incorporation and the legal signature of an officer authorized to bind the corporation to a contract.
5. Each Bid shall be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope with the Bidder's name and the title of the Project printed in the upper left hand corner and addressed as follows:

The City of Canton
ATTN: Purchasing/Bids
218 Cleveland Avenue SW
Canton, OH 44702

Bids must be received at the designated location for the bid opening before 2:00:00 PM, local time, on 6/28/2019.

6. The completed Bid Form shall be accompanied by the following completed documents:
 - a. Pre-Bid Substitution, if any proposed substitutes have been pre-approved. (See Section K, below.)
 - b. Bid Guaranty and, if applicable Contract Bond (See Paragraph H.8, below.)
 - c. Contractor's Qualification Statement (See Paragraph I.4, below.)
 - d. Contractor's List of Subcontracted Work Categories (See Paragraph I.5, below.)
 - e. A list identifying its DBE subcontractors and participation rates as a percentage of the Contract Price, and if the DBE participation goal has not been met, certification of good faith efforts to meet the DBE participation goal. (See Section W, below.)
 - f. The Project Labor Agreement (PLA) Letter of Assent (See Appendix A).
 - g. If this project is funded in whole or part by the Ohio Public Works Commission, then certification of agreement and compliance with certain statements and covenants regarding Bidder's subscription to the State's Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for State-assisted Construction Contracts (See Section Y, below.)
7. The Bidder shall take the following precautions in preparing its bid:
 - a. Sign the bid and check to ensure all blank spaces have been filled in with requested information and that the specified accompanying documents (listed in Paragraph H.6 above) have been included in a sealed opaque envelope addressed as described in Paragraph H.5 above.



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- b. When the Bid Form provides for quoting either an addition or deduction for an Alternate item, indicate whether the sum named is an addition or deduction. If it is not indicated, it will be conclusively presumed that the amount is a deduction.
 - c. When the Bid Form provides for quoting a unit price, the Bidder should quote the unit price as set forth in the Contract Documents as described in Paragraph M.1 below.
 - d. When applicable, make sure that the Bid Guaranty is properly executed and signed by:
 - 1) The Bidder
 - 2) The Surety or Sureties
 - e. Make sure that the amount of the Bid Guaranty (if the Bid Guaranty is in the form of a certified check, letter of credit, or cashier's check) is for a specific sum in an amount as instructed in Paragraph H.8.a below. If the Bid Guaranty is in the form of the Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond, the amount may be left blank; if an amount is inserted, it must equal the total of the base bid and all add alternates included. If inserted, then the failure to state an amount equal to the total of the base bid and all add alternates shall make the bid non-responsive if the Owner selects alternates not included in the amount.
 - f. Make sure that the appropriate bid package and scope of work is inserted in the correct space on the Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond Form. Failure to include work covered by the bid submitted may make the bid non-responsive.
8. Bonds and Guarantees
- a. Bid Guaranty: Bidder shall furnish a Bid Guaranty, as prescribed in Sections 153.54, 153.57, and 153.571 of the Ohio Revised Code, in the form of either: (1) a bond for the full amount of the bid in the form of the Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond included in the Contract Documents; or (2) a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit in a form satisfactory to the Owner in an amount equal to 10% of the bid. Bid amount shall be the total of all sums bid, including all add alternatives, but excluding all deduct alternatives. **NOTE: AIA or EJCDC Bid Bond forms are not acceptable.**
 - b. Contract Bond: The successful Bidder, who, as a Bid Guaranty, submits a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit in an amount equal to 10% of the bid, shall furnish a Contract Bond in the form included in the Contract Documents in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract Sum. **NOTE: AIA or EJCDC Bond forms are not acceptable.**
 - c. The bond must be issued by a surety company authorized by the Ohio Department of Insurance to transact business in the State of Ohio and acceptable to the Owner. The bond must be issued by a surety capable of demonstrating a record of competent underwriting, efficient management, adequate reserves, and sound investments. These criteria will be deemed to be met if the surety currently has an A.M. Best Company Policyholders Rating of "A-" or better and has or exceeds the Best



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Financial Size Category of Class VI. Other sureties may be acceptable to the Owner, in its sole discretion.

- d. All bonds shall be signed by an authorized agent of an acceptable surety and by the Bidder.
 - e. Surety bonds shall be supported by credentials showing the Power of Attorney of the agent, a certificate showing the legal right of the Surety Company to do business in the State of Ohio, and a financial statement of the Surety.
 - f. The Bid Guaranty, as applicable, shall be in the name of or payable to the order of the Owner.
 - g. The name and address of the Surety and the name and address of the Surety's Agent must be typed or printed on each bond.
9. Permits
- a. Owner has obtained, or will obtain the following permits for the Project, as applicable:

NA
 - b. Contractor shall secure and pay for all other permits necessary to complete the Project. Owner shall pay all charges of utility owners for connections for providing permanent service to the Work.

I. METHOD OF AWARD

1. All bids shall remain open for acceptance for sixty (60) days following the day of the bid opening, but the Owner may, in its sole discretion, release any bid and return the Bid Guaranty prior to that date. The Bid Guaranty shall be subject to forfeiture, as provided in the Ohio Revised Code, if a bid is withdrawn during the period when bids are being held.
2. The Owner reserves the right to reject any, part of any, or all bids and to waive any informalities and irregularities. The Bidder expressly acknowledges this right of the Owner to reject any or all bids or to reject any incomplete or irregular bid. Bidders must furnish all information requested on the Bid Form. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the bid.
3. Determination of the Lowest and Best Bid. Subject to the right of the Owner to reject any or all bids, pursuant to the Codified Ordinances of Canton Chapters 105, 182, and 507, the Owner will award the Contract for the Work to the bidder submitting the lowest and best bid, taking into consideration accepted alternates. In evaluating bids, the Owner will consider the qualifications of the Bidders, whether or not the bids comply with the prescribed requirements, and alternates and unit prices, if requested, on the Bid Form. The Owner may also consider the qualifications and experience of subcontractors and suppliers. The Owner may conduct such investigations as are deemed necessary to establish the qualifications and financial ability of the Bidder and its subcontractors and suppliers. The factors the Owner may consider in determining which bid is the lowest and best include the factors set forth below, including the Additional Criteria. Depending upon the type of work, the Owner, in its discretion, may also consider other essential factors, as the Owner may determine and as are included in the Specifications. The Owner, in its discretion, may consider and give such weight to these criteria as it deems appropriate. The Owner, in its discretion, reserves the right to request additional information and documentation relating to these criteria from Bidders after the bid opening.



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- a. Work to be subcontracted. The Bidder must identify all work to be subcontracted. See paragraph I.5 below. All subcontractors are subject to the approval of the Owner based on the criteria set forth in this Section I.
- b. The Bidder's work history. The Bidder should have a record of consistent customer satisfaction and of consistent completion of projects, including projects that are comparable to or larger and more complex than the Owner's Project, on time and in accordance with the applicable Contract Documents, and based upon the Bidder's claims history. If the Bidder's management operates or has operated another construction company, the Owner may consider the work history of that company in determining whether the Bidder submitted the lowest and best bid.

The Owner will consider the Bidder's prior experience on other projects of similar scope and/or complexity including prior projects with the Owner and/or Design Professional, including the Bidder's demonstrated ability to complete its work on these projects in accordance with the Contract Documents and on time, and will also consider its ability and capacity to perform a substantial portion of the project with its own forces and its ability to work with the Owner and Engineer as a willing, cooperative, and successful team member. Bringing overstated claims, an excessive number of claims, acting uncooperatively, and filing lawsuits against project owners and/or their design professionals on prior projects of similar scope and/or complexity will be deemed evidence of a Bidder's inability to work with the Owner and Engineer as a willing, cooperative, and successful team member.

The Bidder authorizes the Owner and its representatives to contact the owners and design professionals (and construction managers, if applicable) on projects on which the Bidder has worked and authorizes and requests such owners and design professionals (and construction managers) to provide the Owner with a candid evaluation of the Bidder's performance. By submitting its bid, the Bidder agrees that if it or any person, directly or indirectly, on its behalf or for its benefit brings an action against any of such owners or design professionals (or construction managers) or the employees of any of them as a result of or related to such candid evaluation, the Bidder will indemnify and hold harmless such owners, design professionals (and construction managers) and the employees of any of them from any claims, whether or not proven, that are part of or are related to such action and from all legal fees and expenses incurred by any of them arising out of or related to such legal action. This obligation is expressly intended for the benefit of such owners, design professionals (and construction managers), and the employees of each of them.

- c. The Bidder's prior history regarding timeliness of performance, quality of work, the Bidder's history of filing claims and having claims filed against it, extension requests, fines and penalties imposed and payments thereof, and contract defaults, with explanations.
- d. The Bidder's compliance with federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations, including but not limited to the Occupational Safety and Health Act, Ohio Prevailing Wage laws, Davis Bacon, and Ohio ethics laws.
- e. The Bidder's prior experience with similar work on comparable or more complex projects.
- f. The number of years the Bidder has been actively engaged as a contractor in the construction industry.



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- g. The Bidder's recent experience record in the construction industry, including the original contract price for each construction job undertaken by the bidder, the amount of any change orders or cost overruns on each job, the reasons for the change orders or cost overruns, and the bidder's record for complying with and meeting completion deadlines on construction projects.
 - h. A public entities' determination, within the previous five years, that the Bidder was not a responsible bidder, the reasons given by the public entity, and the Bidder's explanation thereof.
 - i. The Bidder's financial ability to complete the Contract successfully and on time without resort to its Surety.
 - j. Financial responsibility demonstrated by the Bidder and whether Bidder possesses adequate resources and availability of credit, the means and ability to procure insurance and acceptable performance bonds required for the Project and whether any claims have been made against performance bonds secured by the bidder on other construction projects.
 - k. Any suspension or revocations of any professional license of any director, officer, owner, or managerial employees of the Bidder, to the extent that any work to be performed on this Project is within the field of such licensed profession.
 - l. The Bidder's equipment and facilities.
 - m. The size and experience of the Bidder's work force and the Bidder's ability to complete the Contract successfully and on time.
 - n. The experience and the continuity of the Bidder's work force including the project manager and project superintendent's tenure with the Bidder.
 - o. The Bidder's participation in a drug-free workplace program acceptable to the Owner, and the Bidder's record for both resolved and unresolved findings of the Auditor of State for recovery as defined in Section 9.24 of the Ohio Revised Code.
 - p. The Owner's prior experience with the Bidder's surety.
 - q. The Bidder's interest in the Project as evidenced by its attendance at any pre-bid meetings or conferences for bidders.
 - r. The adequacy, in numbers and experience, of the Bidders' work force to complete the Contract successfully and on time.
 - s. The foregoing information with respect to each of the Subcontractors and Suppliers that the Bidder intends to use on the Project.
4. Qualifications Statement. Each Bidder will submit with its bid a completed Contractor Qualifications Statement, which is included with the Contract Documents, and thereafter provide the Owner promptly with such additional information as the Owner may request regarding the Bidder's qualifications. A Bidder shall submit any requested additional information within three (3) business days of the date on the request.
5. List of Subcontracted Work Categories. Each Bidder will submit with its bid a completed list of Subcontracted Work Categories, which is included with the Contract Documents, and thereafter provide the Owner promptly with such additional information as the Owner may request regarding the Bidder's qualifications. A Bidder shall submit any requested information within three (3) business days of the date on the request.



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6. Additional Criteria for Determining Lowest and Best Bid. Pursuant to the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton, Chapter 105, the Owner, in its discretion, may consider any or all of the Additional Criteria below in determining which bid is lowest and best.
- a. Any OSHA violations within the previous three years, as well as all notices of OSHA citations filed against the Bidder in the same three year period, together with a description and explanation of remediation or other steps taken regarding such violations and notices of violation.
 - b. Any violations within the previous five years pertaining to unlawful intimidation or discrimination against any employee by reason of race, creed, color, disability, gender, or national origin, and/or violation of any employee's civil or labor rights or equal employment opportunities.
 - c. Any litigation in which the Bidder has been named as a defendant or third party defendant in an action involving a claim for personal injury or wrongful death arising from performance of work related to any project in which it has been engaged within the previous five years. Bidders shall provide copies of pleadings.
 - d. Allegations of violations of the prevailing wage law and any other state or federal labor law, including, but not limited to, child labor violations, failure to pay wages, or unemployment insurance tax delinquencies or unfair labor practices within the past five years.
 - e. Violations of the workers compensation law.
 - f. Any criminal convictions or criminal indictments, involving the Bidder, its officers, directors, owners, and/or managers within the past five years.
 - g. Any violation within the past five years or pending charges concerning federal, state, or municipal environmental and/or health laws, codes, rules, and/or regulations.
 - h. Documentation that the Bidder provides health insurance and pension benefits to its employees.
 - i. Whether the Bidder participates in a bona fide apprenticeship program that is approved by the Ohio State Apprenticeship Council and the United States Department of Labor.
 - j. Whether the Bidder has adopted and implemented a comprehensive drug and alcohol testing program for its employees.
 - k. Whether the Bidder's employees are OSHA-10 and/or OSHA-30 certified.
 - l. The Bidder's commitment to comply with the Owner's Contract Compliance Program regarding equal employment opportunity. Each Bidder shall file contract employment reports with the Owner's contracting agency or as may be directed by the Owner or its representative. Such contract employment reports shall include such information as to the employment practices, policies, programs, and statistics of the Bidder and shall be in such form as the Owner may prescribe.
 - m. The foregoing information with respect to each of the Subcontractors and Suppliers that the Bidder intends to use on the Project.



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7. The failure to submit information that Owner has the right to receive under these Instructions to Bidders on a timely basis may result in the determination that the Bidder has not submitted the lowest and best bid.
8. By submitting its bid, the Bidder agrees that the Owner's determination of which bidder is the lowest and best bidder shall be final and conclusive, and that if the Bidder or any person on its behalf challenges such determination in any legal proceeding, the Bidder will indemnify and hold the Owner and its employees and agents harmless from any claims included or related to such legal proceeding, and from legal fees and expenses incurred by the Owner, its employees, or agents that arise out of or are related to such challenge.
9. After bid opening, within three (3) business days of a request made by the Owner, the apparent low Bidder and any other Bidder so requested by the Owner must submit the following:

For all subcontracts with an estimated value of at least \$50,000, a list of all Subcontractors that the Bidder will use to construct the Project, as well as an indication of whether or not the Bidder has ever worked with a proposed Subcontractor before, including the following information for the three most recent projects on which the Bidder and each Subcontractor have worked together:

- i. Project Owner
- ii. Project Name
- iii. Subcontract Scope
- iv. Subcontract Value
- v. Owner's contact name and phone number.

If Bidder and a proposed Subcontractor have not worked together on at least three projects in the past five years, Bidder must submit the information set forth above for the three most recent similar projects to the Project that a proposed Subcontractor has worked on.

The above Subcontractor information, as well as the criteria set forth in Paragraph I.3 herein, as it pertains to each Subcontractor may be used in the Owner's determination of the lowest and best bid.

Once a Bidder identifies its proposed Subcontractors as set forth in this Paragraph I.9, the list shall not be changed unless written approval or direction for the change is made by Owner.

10. Additional Post-Bid Submittals
 - a) Affidavit as to Personal Property Taxes. The successful Bidder shall submit, prior to the time of the entry into the Contract, an affidavit in the form required by Section 5719.042, Ohio Revised Code, regarding the status of the Bidder's personal property taxes. A copy of the affidavit form is included with the Contract Documents.
11. The Owner reserves the right to disqualify bids, before or after opening, upon evidence of collusion with intent to defraud or other illegal practices on the part of the Bidder.
12. Award of Contract. The award of the Contract will only be made pursuant to approval of the City's Board of Control.



J. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

1. Within the time designated by the Owner after award of the Contract, the successful Bidder shall execute and deliver to the Owner the required number of copies of the Owner-Contractor Agreement, in the form included in the Contract Documents, and all accompanying documents requested, including, but not limited to, a Contract Bond (if applicable), insurance certificates, and a valid Workers' Compensation Certificate. The successful Bidder shall have no property interest or rights under the Owner-Contractor Agreement until the Agreement is executed by the Owner.

K. SUBSTITUTIONS/NON-SPECIFIED PRODUCTS

1. Certain brands of material or apparatus may be specified. Should this be the case, each bid will be based on these brands, which may be referred to in the Contract Documents as Standards. The use of another brand (referred to as a substitution or proposed equal in the Contract Documents, when a bidder or the contractor seeks to have a different brand of material or apparatus than that specified approved by the Owner of use in the Project) may be requested as provided herein. Substitutions, however, will not be considered in determining the lowest and best bid.
2. The products specified in the Contract Documents establish a standard of required function, dimension, appearance, and quality.
3. Bidders wishing to obtain approval to bid non-specified products shall submit written requests to the Owner a minimum of seven (7) working days before the bid date and hour. To facilitate the submission of requests, a Substitution Form is included in the Contract Documents. The Bidder shall include the name of the material or equipment for which it is to be substituted and a complete description of the proposed substitution, including the name of the proposed manufacturer and/or product and a complete description of the product including the manufacturer's name and model number or system proposed, drawings, product literature, performance and test data, color selections or limitations, and any other information necessary for evaluation. Include a statement including any changes in other materials, equipment, or other work that would be required if the proposed product is incorporated in the work. The burden of proof of the merit of the proposed product is on the proposer. The Owner's decision on approval of a proposed product will be final.

The following will be cause for rejection of a proposed substitution:

- a. Requests submitted by subcontractors, material suppliers, and individuals other than Bidders;
 - b. Requests submitted without adequate documentation;
 - c. Requests received after the specified cut-off date;
 - d. Requests, which in the sole discretion of the Owner, do not offer a sufficient benefit to the Project.
4. When the Owner approves a product submission before receipt of bids, the approval will be included in an Addendum, and Bidders may include the pricing of this product in their bid. Bidders shall not rely on approvals made in any other manner.
 5. In proposing a non-specified product or a substitution, the Bidder represents and warrants that each proposed product will not result in any changes to the Project, including changes to the Work or other contractors, or any decrease in the performance of any equipment or systems to be installed in the Project and agrees to pay any additional costs incurred by



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the Owner and the Owner's consultants as a result of a non-specified or substitute product that is accepted.

6. If an addendum is issued approving a substitution for a specified Standard, any Bidder proposed to use said substitution must indicate so with its Bid, using the form provided.
7. Following the award of the Contract, there shall be no substitution for specified products, except pursuant to a Change Order. The Owner in its sole discretion may decline to consider a substitution for a Change Order.
8. The Owner reserves the right to value engineer any item within the specifications if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Owner.

L. ALTERNATES

1. The Owner may request bids on alternates. At the time of awarding the Contract, the Owner will select or reject alternates as it determines is in its best interest. A Bidder's failure to include on its Bid Form the cost of an alternate selected by the Owner and applicable to the Bidder's work shall render the bid non-responsive and be grounds for the rejection of the bid. Otherwise, the failure to include the cost of an alternate will not be deemed material.
2. The Bidder acknowledges that although there is an estimate for the cost of the Project, the market conditions may and frequently do result in the estimate being different from the sum of the bids received, either higher or lower. The Bidder understands that the Owner may include alternates, which may include deduct alternates as well as add alternates, to give it flexibility to build the Project with the funds available. The Bidder further understands and acknowledges that use of add and deduct alternates is a long held customary practice in the construction industry in the State of Ohio. The Bidder also acknowledges that the Owner will not make a decision about the alternates on which to base the award of contracts until the bids are received, and the Owner can compare its available funds with the base bids and the cost or savings from selecting different alternates. The Bidder understands that the award to the Bidder submitting the lowest and best bid will be based on the base bid plus selected alternates, and may result in an award to a Bidder other than the Bidder that submitted the lowest base bid.

M. UNIT PRICES

1. Where unit prices are requested in the Bid Form the Bidder should quote a unit price. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Contract Documents, such unit prices shall include all labor, materials, and services necessary for the timely and proper installation of the item for which the unit prices are requested. The unit prices quoted in the bid shall be the basis for any Change Orders entered into under the Owner-Contractor Agreement, unless the Owner determines that the use of such unit prices will cause substantial inequity to either the Contractor or the Owner.

N. ADDENDA

1. All questions should be submitted in writing at least seven (7) business days prior to the bid opening. This is 6/19/2019, 2:00:00 PM. The Owner reserves the right to issue Addenda changing, altering, or supplementing the Contract Documents prior to the time set for receiving bids. The Owner will issue the Addenda to clarify bidders' questions and/or to change, alter, or supplement the Contract Documents.
2. Any explanation, interpretation, correction, or modification of the Contract Documents will be issued in writing in the form of an Addendum, which shall be the only means considered



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binding; explanations, interpretations, etc., made by any other means shall NOT be legally binding. All Addenda shall become a part of the Contract Documents.

3. All Addenda will be issued, except as hereafter provided, via the current City bid tool at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the published time for the opening of bids, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. If any Addendum is issued within such seventy-two (72) hour period, then the time for opening of bids shall be extended one (1) week with no further advertising of bids required.
4. Copies of each Addendum will be posted via the Owner's current bid tool and it is the responsibility of the bidder or any other interested party to check the bid tool for any updates or addenda. Receipt of Addenda shall be indicated by Bidders in the space provided on the Bid Form. Bidders are responsible for acquiring issued Addenda in time to incorporate them into their bid. Bidders should check the Owner's bid tool prior to the bid opening to verify the number of Addenda issued.
5. Each Bidder shall carefully read and review the Contract Documents and immediately bring to the attention of the Owner any error, omission, inconsistency, or ambiguity therein.
6. If a Bidder fails to indicate receipt of all Addenda through the last Addendum issued by the Owner on its Bid Form, the bid of such Bidder will be deemed to be responsive only if:
 - a. The bid received clearly indicates that the Bidder received the Addendum, such as where the Addendum added another item to be bid upon and the Bidder submitted a bid on that item; or
 - b. The Addendum involves only a matter of form or is one which has either no effect or has merely a trivial or negligible effect on price, quantity, quality, or delivery of the item bid upon.

O. INTERPRETATION

1. If a Bidder contemplating submitting a bid for the proposed Project is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the Contract Documents, it may submit a written request for an interpretation thereof to the Owner at purchasing@cantonohio.gov. Requests received fewer than 5 days prior to bid opening may not be answered. Any interpretation of the proposed documents will be made by Addendum only and will be made available by the City's web tool. The Owner will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the proposed documents.
2. In interpreting the Contract Documents, words describing materials that have a well-known technical or trade meaning, unless otherwise specifically defined in the Contract Documents, shall be construed in accordance with the well-known meaning recognized by the trade.
3. Bidders are responsible for notifying the Owner in a timely manner of any ambiguities, inconsistencies, errors, or omissions in the Contract Documents. The Bidder shall not, at any time after the execution of the Contract, be compensated for a claim alleging insufficient data, incomplete Contract Documents, or incorrectly assumed conditions regarding the nature or character of the Work, if no request was made by the Bidder prior to the bid opening.

P. STATE SALES AND USE TAXES

1. The Owner is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio and is exempt from taxation under the Ohio Sales Tax and Use Tax Laws. Building materials that the successful Bidder purchases for incorporation into the Project will be exempt from state sales and use taxes



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if the successful Bidder provides a properly completed Ohio Department of Taxation Construction Contract Exemption Certificate to the vendors or suppliers when the materials are acquired. The Owner will execute properly completed certificates on request.

Q. DATE FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION/DATE FOR FINAL COMPLETION/LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

1. Dates for Substantial Completion. The Contract Time shall run from the date of the Notice to Proceed or if there is no Notice to Proceed from the Effective Date of the Owner-Contractor Agreement. The Date for Substantial Completion and the Contract Time may be extended only by Change Order. **By submitting its Bid, each Bidder agrees that the period for performing its Work is reasonable.**

a. Date for Overall Project Substantial Completion. The successful Bidder shall have all of its Work on the Project Substantially Complete (as Substantial Completion is defined in the Contract Documents) by the following date as applicable to the Bidder's scope of work.

Date for Substantial Completion (aka Contract Time) expressed as calendar days from Notice to Proceed:

277 calendar days

2. Liquidated Damages.

a. Overall Project Substantial Completion. If the successful Bidder does not have its Work Substantially Complete by its Date for Substantial Completion or Finally Complete within thirty (30) calendar days of achieving Substantial Completion, whichever may be applicable, the successful Bidder shall pay the Owner and the Owner may set off from amounts otherwise due the successful Bidder Liquidated Damages. The daily amounts of Liquidated Damages for Overall Project Substantial Completion are set forth in the tables included in the Owner-Contractor Agreement. The total amount of Liquidated Damages will be calculated based on the total number of calendar days beyond the Date for Substantial Completion that the Bidder's Work is not Substantially Complete or to the extent that its Work is not Finally Complete more than thirty (30) calendar days after the Substantial Completion of its Work, i.e., number of late days times the per diem rate(s) for Liquidated Damages in the tables.

3. The Bidder acknowledges and agrees, by submitting its bid for the Work and entering into a Contract with the Owner, that such amounts of Liquidated Damages represent a reasonable estimate of the actual damages for loss of or interference with the intended use of the Project that the Owner would incur if the Bidder's Work is not Substantially Complete by its Date for Substantial Completion and/or not Finally Complete by thirty (30) days of the Date of Substantial Completion. The Bidder further acknowledges, agrees and understands that it may seek an extension of the Contract Time (and its Date for Substantial Completion) to avoid or reduce Liquidated Damages by properly following the Claim procedures in the Contract Documents.

R. OWNER'S RIGHT TO WAIVE DEFECTS AND IRREGULARITIES

1. The Owner reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities provided that the defects and irregularities do not affect the amount of the bid in any material respect or otherwise give the Bidder a competitive advantage.



S. MODIFICATION/WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

1. Modification. A Bidder may modify its bid by written communication to the Owner at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids, provided such written communication is received by Owner prior to the bid deadline. The written communication shall not reveal the bid price, but should provide the addition or subtraction or other modification so that the final prices or terms will not be known until the sealed bid is opened. If the Bidder's written instructions with the change in bid reveal the bid amount in any way prior to the bid opening, the bid may be rejected as non-responsive.
2. Withdrawal Prior to Bid Deadline. A Bidder may withdraw its bid at any time for any reason prior to the bid deadline for the opening of bids established in the Legal Notice. The request to withdraw shall be made in writing to and received by the Owner prior to the time of the bid opening.
3. Withdrawal after Bid Deadline.
 - a. All bids shall remain valid and open for acceptance for a period of at least 60 days after the bid opening; provided, however, that a Bidder may withdraw its bid from consideration after the bid deadline when all of the following apply:
 - (1) the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids;
 - (2) the reason for the bid being substantially lower was a clerical mistake, rather than a mistake in judgment, and was due to an unintentional and substantial error in arithmetic or an unintentional omission of a substantial quantity of work, labor, or material;
 - (3) the bid was submitted in good faith; and
 - (4) the Bidder provides written notice to the Owner within two (2) business days after the bid opening for which the right to withdraw is claimed.
 - b. No bid may be withdrawn under this provision if the result would be the awarding of the contract on another bid for the bid package from which the Bidder is withdrawing its bid to the same Bidder.
 - c. If a bid is withdrawn under this provision, the Owner may award the Contract to another Bidder determined by the Owner to be the lowest and best bidder or the Owner may reject all bids and advertise for other bids. In the event the Owner advertises for other bids, the withdrawing Bidder shall pay the costs incurred in connection with the rebidding by the Owner, including the cost of printing new Contract Documents, required advertising, and printing and mailing notices to prospective bidders, if the Owner finds that such costs would not have been incurred but for such withdrawal.

T. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS

1. By submitting a bid for Work on the Project, the Bidder acknowledges that it is in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Equal Employment Opportunity/Nondiscrimination. The Bidder agrees that if it is awarded a contract that in the hiring of employees for performance of work under the contract or any subcontract, neither it nor any subcontractor, or any person acting on its behalf or its subcontractor's behalf, by reason of race, creed, sex, disability as defined in Section 4112.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, or color, shall



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discriminate against any citizen of the state in the employment of labor or workers who are qualified and available to perform work to which the employment relates. The Bidder further agrees that neither it nor any subcontractor or any person on its behalf or on behalf of any subcontractor, in any manner, shall discriminate against or intimidate any employees hired for the performance of the work under the contract on account of race, creed, sex, disability as defined in Section 4112.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, or color.

- b. Ethics Laws. The Bidder represents that it is familiar with all applicable ethics law requirements, including without limitation Sections 102.04 and 3517.13 of the Ohio Revised Code, and certifies that it is in compliance with such requirements.

U. FINDINGS FOR RECOVERY

1. By submitting its bid, each Bidder certifies for reliance of the Owner that it has no unresolved finding for recovery against it issued by the Auditor of the State of Ohio on or after January 1, 2001, except as permitted by Section 9.24 (F) of the Ohio Revised Code.

V. PREVAILING WAGES

1. The Project is a "Construction" project as defined in Section 4115.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. If the Project is defined as such as "Construction" project, the successful Bidder and all of its subcontractors, regardless of tier, will strictly comply with its obligation to pay a rate of wages on the Project not less than the rate of wages fixed for this Project under Section 4115.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. Additionally, the successful Bidder will comply with all other provisions of Chapter 4115 of the Ohio Revised Code.

W. DBE PARTICIPATION GOALS

1. Owner has established the following Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("DBE") participation goal for the Project as a percentage of the Contract Price:

7%

2. Any Minority Business Enterprise ("MBE") or Woman-Owned Business Enterprise ("WBE") proposed to count towards the DBE participation goal must first be certified at bid time as an MBE or WBE under the Ohio Department of Administrative Services MBE Cross Certification Program (which includes MBEs and WBEs certified by the City of Canton), or certified as a DBE under Ohio's Unified Certification Program administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation.
3. Documentation of DBE Participation. Each Bidder must submit with its bid a list identifying its DBE subcontractors and participation rates as a percentage of the Contract Price.
4. Certification of Good Faith Efforts. If a Bidder has not met the DBE participation goal, it must attach to its bid, a narrative (which may include exhibits) demonstrating the good faith efforts made by the Bidder to secure DBE participation in the Project. Good faith efforts include:
 - Conducting outreach and recruiting activities;
 - Informing DBEs of the opportunity to participate in the Project at least 30 calendar days before the bid closes;
 - Considering subcontracting with a consortium of DBEs; and



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- Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and Minority Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Owner, in its sole discretion, will be the sole evaluator of whether any particular Bidders' efforts sufficiently demonstrate good faith efforts for securing DBE participation.

5. Challenges to Owner's Discretion. If any Bidder directly challenges, or indirectly challenges through contribution of money or other resources to a third party, Owner's discretion in determining any Bidder's compliance with the DBE goal stated in these Instructions to Bidders, or good faith efforts pertaining to same, that Bidder agrees to indemnify Owner for all claims, costs, losses and damages, including attorney and consultant fees, arising out of such challenge, should there be an adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction that the Owner did not abuse its discretion in making its determination.
6. Failure to Comply. If a Bidder is awarded a contract for the Project, and later fails to fulfill its stated DBE participation goals, that Bidder agrees to indemnify Owner for all claims, costs, losses and damages, including attorney and consultant fees, arising out of such failure. That Bidder also agrees to cooperate with all reasonable requests to determine actual DBE participation, including but not limited to certifying actual participation and providing documentation in support of same.

X. OTHER LOCAL ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Each Bidder, by the act of submitting its bid agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton for wages, salaries, fees, and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this Agreement. Bidder agrees with the Owner regarding the manner of withholding of City income taxes as provided in Section 718.011(F) of the Ohio Revised Code. Municipal income tax withholding provisions of Section 718.011(B)(1) and 718.011(D) of the Ohio Revised Code shall not apply to qualifying wages paid to employees for work done or services performed or rendered inside the City or on City property. Each Bidder agrees to withhold income tax for the City from employees' qualifying wages earned inside the City or on City property, beginning with the first day of work done or services performed or rendered inside the City.
2. Each Bidder, by the act of submitting its bid agrees that all steel necessary in the construction of the Work performed under the Agreement shall be steel that is produced in the United States unless a specific product which is required is not produced by manufacturers in the United States in which event this prohibition does not apply.
3. Each Bidder, by the act of submitting its bid agrees that all materials used in the construction covered by the Agreement shall be purchased in the Canton area except such materials which are unavailable in the Canton area.
4. Chapter 105.12 – Local Bidder Preference.
 - a. The Board of Control, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of contracts to which this section is applicable, is authorized to award contracts to local bidders as hereinafter defined, whose bid is not more than five percent (5%) higher, subject to a maximum amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), than the lowest dollar bid submitted by non-local bidders. The Board of Control's decision in making such an award shall be final.
 - b. For purposes of this section, "local bidder" means an individual or business entity which at the time of the award of the contract has a headquarters, division, sales office,



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sales outlet, manufacturing facility, or similar significant business-related location in Stark County, Ohio.

- c. All contract specifications and/or bid documents that are distributed by Canton for the purpose of soliciting bids for goods and/or services shall contain the following notice:

Prospective bidders will take notice that the City of Canton, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of this contract, may award a local bidder preference to any qualified bidder pursuant to Section 105.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton. The determination of whether a bidder qualifies for the local preference shall be made by Board of Control. The Board's decision shall be final. A copy of Section 105.12 is attached.

- d. This section shall be applicable to all contracts for equipment, goods, machinery, materials, supplies, vehicles and/or services, which are purchased, leased and/or constructed at a cost in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) and which require bidding pursuant to Ohio R.C. 735.05 through 735.09 and Ohio R.C. 737.03. (Ord. 115-2018. Passed 5-14-18.)

5. Each Bidder, by the act of submitting its bid agrees as follows during the performance of the Agreement:

- a. The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. As used herein, the word "treated" shall mean and include without limitation the following: recruited, whether by advertising or other means; compensation, whether in the form of rates or pay or other forms of compensation; selected for training, including apprenticeship; promoted; demoted; upgraded; downgraded; transferred; laid off; and terminated. The Contractor agrees to and shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment notices to be provided by the contracting officers setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- b. The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.
- c. The Contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers, with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under the equal opportunity clause of the Owner; and it shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- d. The Contractor shall submit in writing to the Owner its affirmative action plan, and each subcontractor and supplier of equipment or supplies shall submit to the Contractor its affirmative action plan. The responsibility for securing these affirmative action plans falls upon the Contractor and shall be on file at the office of the Contractor. The Contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by the Owner or its representative pursuant to the Contract Documents, and shall permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency of the



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Owner and by the Executive Secretary of the Owner for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the program.

- e. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as the Owner may direct as a means of enforcing the provisions of this equal opportunity clause, including penalties and sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in or is threatened with litigation as is necessary to protect the interests of the Owner and to effectuate the Owner's equal opportunity program and, in the case of contracts receiving Federal assistance, the Contractor or the Owner may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
 - f. The Contractor shall file and shall cause its subcontractors, if any, to file compliance reports with the Owner in the form and to the extent prescribed by the Owner or its representative. Compliance reports filed at such times as directed shall contain information as to the employment practices, policies, programs, and statistics of the Contractor and its subcontractors.
 - g. The Contractor shall include the provisions of this equal employment opportunity clause in every subcontract or purchase order, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
 - h. Refusal by the Contractor or subcontractor to comply with any portion of this program as herein stated and described will subject the offending party to any or all of the following penalties:
 - (1) Withholding of all future payments under the involved public contract to the Contractor in violation, until it is determined that the Contractor or subcontractor is in compliance with the provisions of the Agreement.
 - (2) Refusal of all future bids for any public contract with the Owner or any of its departments or divisions, until such time as the Contractor or subcontractor demonstrates that it has established and shall carry out the policies of the program as herein outlined.
 - (3) Cancellation of the public contract and declaration of forfeiture of the performance bond.
 - (4) In cases in which there is substantial or material violation or the threat of substantial or material violation of the compliance procedure or as may be provided by contract, appropriate proceedings may be brought to enforce these provisions, including enjoining within applicable laws of contractors, subcontractors, or other organizations, individuals, or groups who prevent, directly or indirectly, or seek to prevent, directly or indirectly, compliance with the policy as herein outlined.
2. A Project Labor Agreement (PLA) has been required for this project (See Appendix A if applicable). Prevailing Wages are required for this Project (See Appendix B).

Y. OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FUNDING

1. When this line is checked by the Owner, e.g. with an "X" or other mark, the Project is being funded in whole or part by the Ohio Public Works Commission ("OPWC"), and the requirements of the OPWC, attached to these Instructions to Bidders, apply.



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2. The OPWC requirements include that the Bidder include with its bid certification of agreement and compliance with certain statements and covenants regarding its subscription to the State's Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for State-assisted Construction Contracts.

END OF INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS



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OWNER-CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

***[Where Engineer is a Third Party Hired by Owner and
Engineer Has Construction Administration Duties]***

Owner:

The City of Canton
218 Cleveland Avenue SW
Canton, OH 44702
Telephone: 330.489.3283

Contract:

Ordinance: 81/2019
Alternates:

Contractor:

Telephone:
Fax:

Project: Centennial Plaza

This document is an agreement between the Owner and the Contractor for the Work described in the Contract Documents related to the Contract identified above for the Project defined above and is effective as of the date the Agreement is signed by the Owner (the "Effective Date").

The Owner and the Contractor agree as set forth in the following sections:

1. **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.** The Contract Documents consist of the following documents:

- A. Legal Notice;
- B. Instructions to Bidders;
- C. Bid Form;
- D. Owner-Contractor Agreement;
- E. General Conditions of the Contract for Construction (EJCDC C-700), as modified;
- F. Supplementary Conditions (when applicable);
- G. Drawings;
- H. Specifications;
- I. Addenda issued;
- J. Contractor's Personal Property Tax Affidavit (O.R.C. 5719.042);
- K. Statement of Claim Form; and
- L. Modifications issued after the execution of the contract, including:
 - i. A Change Order;
 - ii. A Work Change Directive; or,
 - iii. A written order for a minor change of the Work issued by the Owner or Engineer in accordance with the General Conditions.
- M. When this line is checked by the Owner, e.g. with an "X" or other mark, the State of Ohio Department of Transportation, Construction and Material Specifications, effective as of January 1, 2018, will be a Contract Document, but only as modified by the document titled *ODOT Manual Supplement*, prepared by Owner.

1.1 Notwithstanding anything in the Contract Documents to the contrary, in the event of any inconsistency, the provisions of this Agreement shall control over any other Contract Document, proposal, document, or other attachment. In the event inconsistencies, conflicts, or ambiguities between or among the Contract Documents are discovered after execution of the Agreement, Contractor shall provide the better quality or greater quantity of Work or comply with the more stringent requirements.



Note: Non-Contract Documents. The following are the reports and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the Site, if any, that the Engineer has used in preparing the Contract Documents. These are not Contract Documents. Geotechnical data is not a warranty of subsurface conditions and is not to be relied upon as a complete representation of all possible soil conditions. It is possible that there may be other reports, and/or tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the Site not prepared by or on behalf of Owner. The Owner makes no representation about such reports and/or tests, assuming they exist. Additional information, if needed by Contractor for geotechnical data or site survey, shall be obtained by the Contractor at no additional cost to Owner. The General Conditions, as modified, contain additional terms related to these reports and tests.

Contractor may rely upon the general accuracy of the "technical data" contained in such reports and drawings listed below, and except for such reliance on "technical data," Contractor shall not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer 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. For example, all interpolations and extrapolations of data performed by Contractor to estimate locations or quantities of subsurface strata are independent factual assumptions which Owner does not warrant. (Not applicable, if none are listed).

Note: Non-Contract Documents. The following are those reports and drawings related to any Hazardous Conditions at the Site, if any. These are not Contract Documents. The General Conditions, as modified, contain additional terms related to these reports and drawings. (None if none are listed).

2. ENGINEER RELATIONSHIP. The Contract Documents shall not be construed to create a contractual relationship of any kind between the Engineer and the Contractor or any Subcontractor or Material Supplier to the Project. The Engineer, however, shall be entitled to performance of the obligations of the Contractor intended for its benefit and to enforcement of such obligations, but nothing contained herein shall be deemed to give the Contractor or any third party any claim or right of action against the Engineer that does not otherwise exist without regard to this Contract. The Contractor and its Subcontractors shall not be deemed to be beneficiaries of any of the acts or services of the Engineer that are performed for the sole benefit of the Owner. The Contractor shall forward all communications to the Owner through the Engineer and hereby acknowledges and agrees that any instructions, reviews, advice, approvals, orders, or directives that are rendered to it by the Engineer are specifically authorized and directed by the Owner to the Contractor through the Engineer acting on behalf of the Owner.

Engineer will be performing construction administration duties as identified in the General Conditions, including, but not limited to: reviewing Applications for Payment, Change Proposals, Claims, and Shop Drawings; measuring Work quantities; and issuing Work Change Directives.

2.1 The Engineer is:
MKSK
462 S. Ludlow Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43215



3. TIME FOR COMPLETION AND PROJECT COORDINATION.

3.1 DATE OF COMMENCEMENT. The date of commencement of the Work shall be the date identified in the Notice to Proceed issued by the Owner, or by the Owner through the Engineer, to the Contractor, or if there is no Notice to Proceed, the Effective Date of this Agreement.

3.2 DATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION. The Project and Work for the Project consists of all labor, materials, equipment, and services necessary for construction of the Project, all in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications prepared by the Owner or Engineer. The Contractor shall achieve Substantial Completion of its Work on the Project, as defined in the General Conditions, within **277 calendar days** of the Date of Commencement (“Date of Substantial Completion”). The Contractor shall have its Work for the **Centennial Plaza** scope of work, referred to herein as the “Interim Milestone Scope,” substantially complete by **8/1/2020**. Substantial Completion is the time at which the Work has progressed to the point where the Work is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that the Work can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended.

3.2.1 DATE OF FINAL COMPLETION. The Contractor shall achieve Final Completion of its Work on the Project, as defined in the General Conditions, within **30 calendar days** of the Date of Substantial Completion (“Date of Final Completion”). Final Completion shall mean that the Work is complete in accordance with the Contract Documents and the Contractor has submitted to the Owner or Engineer all documents required to be submitted to the Owner or Engineer for final payment.

3.2.2 UTILITIES AND OPERATIONS. Contractor shall not interrupt utilities to facilities or existing operations without prior written notice and approval by Owner.

3.2.3 SHUTDOWN DATES. Due to events scheduled by the Owner and/or other Owner considerations, Contractor will not be able to perform Work on the Project on the following dates (there are no shutdown dates if none are listed):

Contractor’s Construction Schedule for performing the Work shall account for Contractor not being able to perform Work on these dates and the contractual dates for Substantial Completion and Final Completion will not be changed due to Contractor not being able to perform Work on these dates.

3.3 CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE. The Construction Schedule shall be developed by the Contractor as provided in the Contract Documents.

3.4 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES. If the Contractor does not have its Work on the Project Substantially Complete by the specified Date for Substantial Completion or Finally Complete by the Date of Final Completion, the Contractor shall pay the Owner (and the Owner may set off from sums coming due the Contractor) Liquidated Damages in the per diem amounts as set forth in the following tables, whichever may be applicable. “Contract Amount” of the Work will be determined by totaling the cost of all line items of Work.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES – DATE FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION OF OVERALL PROJECT

<u>Original Contract Amount</u>	<u>Dollars Per Day</u>
\$1.00 to \$500,000.00	\$ 750.00
\$500,000.01 to \$2,000,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
\$2,000,000.01 to \$10,000,000.00	\$ 1,300.00
\$10,000,000.01 to \$50,000,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
\$50,000,000.01 and greater	\$ 2,500.00



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LIQUIDATED DAMAGES – FINAL COMPLETION

<u>Original Contract Amount</u>	<u>Dollars Per Day</u>
\$1.00 to \$500,000.00	\$ 200.00
\$500,000.01 to \$2,000,000.00	\$ 250.00
\$2,000,000.01 to \$10,000,000.00	\$ 325.00
\$10,000,000.01 to \$50,000,000.00	\$ 500.00
\$50,000,000.01 and greater	\$ 625.00

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION FOR ANY INTERIM MILESTONE SCOPE WILL BE \$1,000 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY OF UNEXCUSED DELAY BEYOND THE MILESTONE.

The Contractor acknowledges that such amounts of Liquidated Damages represent a reasonable estimate of the actual damages for loss of or interference with the intended use of the Project that the Owner would incur if the Contractor's Work is not Substantially Complete by its Date for Substantial Completion or Finally Complete by the required date for Final Completion.

4. CONTRACT SUM (also called Contract Price). The Contract Sum to be paid by the Owner to the Contractor, as provided herein, for the satisfactory performance and completion of the Work and all of the duties, obligations, and responsibilities of the Contractor under this Agreement and the other Contract Documents is , subject to adjustment as set forth in the Contract Documents. The Contract Sum includes Allowances, Accepted Alternates, and all federal, state, county, municipal, and other taxes imposed by law, including but not limited to any sales, use, commercial activity, and personal property taxes payable by or levied against the Contractor on account of the Work or the materials incorporated into the Work. The Contractor will pay any such taxes. The Contract Sum includes the following:

4.1 Base Bid Amount: (Lump Sum Bid); and

4.2 Accepted Alternates, included in the Contract Sum:

Alternate No.	Description	Amount
1	NA	\$-
2	NA	\$-

4.3 Allowances included in the Contract Sum:

Allowance Description	Amount
Allowance #1: Production Equipment Allowance	\$250,000.00
Allowance #2: NA	\$-

4.4 If after Substantial Completion of its Work, the Contractor fails to submit its final payment application with all the documents required to be submitted with such application within ninety (90) days after written notice to do so from the Owner and without prejudice to any other rights and remedies the Owner may have available to it, the balance of the Contract Sum shall become the Owner's sole and exclusive property, and the Contractor shall have no further interest in or right to such balance.

5. RETAINAGE. Retainage applicable to the Contract by Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.12, .13, and .14 will be withheld as defined in the Modified General Conditions. The Contractor agrees that the financial institution selected by the Owner for deposit of retained funds is acceptable to the Contractor and will sign any documents requested related to said account.



6. GENERAL.

6.1 MODIFICATION. No modification or waiver of any of the terms of this Agreement or of any other Contract Documents will be effective against a party unless set forth in writing and signed by or on behalf of a party. In the case of the Owner, the person executing the modification or waiver must have express authority to execute the Modification on behalf of the Owner pursuant to a resolution that is duly adopted by the Owner. Under no circumstances will forbearance, including the failure or repeated failure to insist upon compliance with the terms of the Contract Documents, constitute the waiver or modification of any such terms. The parties acknowledge that no person has authority to modify this Agreement or the other Contract Documents or to waive any of its or their terms, except as expressly provided in this section.

6.2 ASSIGNMENT. The Contractor may not assign this Agreement without the written consent of the Owner, which the Owner may withhold in its sole discretion.

6.3 LAW AND JURISDICTION. All questions regarding the validity, intention, or meaning of this Agreement or any modifications of it relating to the rights and obligation of the parties will be construed and resolved under the laws of the State of Ohio. Any suit, which may be brought to enforce any provision of this Agreement or any remedy with respect hereto, shall be brought in the Common Pleas Court of the county in which the Project is located and each party hereby expressly consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of such court to the exclusion of any other court, including any U.S. District Court or any other federal court.

6.4 CONSTRUCTION. The parties acknowledge that each party has reviewed this Agreement and the other Contract Documents and entered into this Agreement as a free and voluntary act. Accordingly, the normal rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party will not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement, the other Contract Documents, or any amendments or exhibits to it or them.

6.5 APPROVALS. Except as expressly provided herein, the approvals and determinations of the Owner and Engineer will be subject to the sole discretion of the respective party and be valid and binding on the Contractor, provided only that they be made in good faith, i.e., honestly. If the Contractor challenges any such approval or determination, the Contractor has the burden of proving that it was not made in good faith by clear and convincing evidence.

6.6 PARTIAL INVALIDITY. If any term or provision of this Agreement is found to be illegal, unenforceable, or in violation of any laws, statutes, ordinances, or regulations of any public authority having jurisdiction, then, notwithstanding such term or provision, this Agreement will remain in full force and effect and such term will be deemed stricken; provided this Agreement will be interpreted, when possible, so as to reflect the intentions of the parties as indicated by any such stricken term or provision.

6.7 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. The Contractor, at its expense, will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the Work, including but not limited to Chapter 4115 of the Ohio Revised Code and Sections 153.59 and 153.60 of the Ohio Revised Code, which prohibit discrimination in the hiring and treatment of employees, with respect to which the Contractor agrees to comply and to require its subcontractors to comply.

6.7.1 NON-DISCRIMINATION. Contractor agrees:

- .1 That in the hiring of employees for the performance of Work under this Agreement or in any subcontract, neither the Contractor, subcontractor, or any person acting on behalf of either of them, shall by reason of race, creed, sex, disability as defined in Section 4112.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, or color discriminate against any citizen of the state in the employment of labor or workers who are qualified and available to perform the Work to which the employment relates.
- .2 That neither the Contractor, subcontractor, nor any person acting on behalf of either of them shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of Work under this Agreement on account of race, creed, sex, disability as defined in Section 4112.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, or color.



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- .3 That there shall be deducted from the amount payable to the Contractor by the Owner under this Agreement a forfeiture of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 153.60 for each person who is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of this Agreement.
- .4 That this Agreement may be canceled or terminated by the Owner and all money to become due hereunder may be forfeited for a second or subsequent violation of the terms of this section of this Agreement.

6.7.2 PREVAILING WAGE RATES. The Contractor and its subcontractors, regardless of tier, shall strictly comply with their obligation, if any, to pay their employees working on the Project site at the applicable prevailing wage rates for the type of work, including any changes thereto, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4115.

6.7.3 ETHICS. By signing and entering into this agreement with the Owner, the Contractor represents that it is familiar with all applicable ethics law requirements, including without limitation Sections 102.04 and 3517.13 of the Ohio Revised Code, and certifies that it is in compliance with such requirements. The Contractor understands that failure to comply with the ethics laws is, in itself, grounds for termination of this contract and may result in the loss of other contracts with the Owner.

6.8 JOB MEETINGS. The Contractor or one of its representatives with authority to bind the Contractor will attend all job meetings. The Owner anticipates that job meetings will be scheduled on a weekly basis during construction or as needed. The Contractor will ensure that its Subcontractors also hold regular job meetings at which safety issues and job matters are discussed as these relate to the Work being performed. Job meetings include, but are not limited to, pre-construction meetings, weekly job meetings, weekly safety tool box meetings, and monthly safety meetings.

6.9 PROPERTY TAX AFFIDAVIT. The Contractor's affidavit given under Section 5719.024, Ohio Revised Code, is incorporated herein.

6.10 WARRANTIES. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Contract Documents, including the Project Manual and Specifications, no warranties by Contractor shall be limited to any time shorter than the statute of limitations for written contracts in Ohio.

6.11 CONTRACTOR ATTESTATIONS.

- .1 Contractor attests that it has not scaled these contract documents to determine quantities for bids, as Contractor has field verified and taken its own dimensions to determine the quantities for its bid.
- .2 Contractor agrees that all the scales noted on the drawings are correct; so as to give it an "intent" of what is to be bid. Contractor has not relied on any other dimensions than what are noted in text and dimension lines.
- .3 Contractor has thoroughly read the Contract Documents and has asked any and all questions it has on the intent of the scope of work, or supposed errors and omissions contained in these drawings, during the bid process and prior to signing this Agreement.
- .4 Contractor will not be asserting a claim for additional time or money associated with the three issues listed above.
- .5 Contractor believes it has accurately interpreted the Contract Documents and has asked for clarification and received satisfactory response for all items not thoroughly addressed or appeared to be conflicting in the Contract Documents and has found all stipulations and requirements contained in this Agreement are as stated in the bid specifications and are enforceable according to Ohio Law, including but not limited to the Owner's right of offset, and the Owner's right to assess liquidated damages for work not completed according to the milestones listed on the project schedule contained in the Contract Documents.



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6.12 ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement and the other Contract Documents constitute the entire agreement among the parties with respect to their subject matter and will supersede all prior and contemporaneous, oral or written, agreements, negotiations, communications, representations, and understandings with respect to such subject matter, and no person is justified in relying on such agreements, negotiations, communications, representations, or understandings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their properly authorized representatives and agree that this Agreement is effective as of the date first set forth above.

Owner:

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By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Contractor:

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



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CERTIFICATE
(Section 5705.41, R.C.)

The undersigned, fiscal officer of the Owner, certifies that the moneys required to pay that part of the Contract Sum coming due during the current fiscal year, under the Agreement to which this Certificate is attached have been lawfully appropriated for such purpose and are in the appropriate account of the Owner, or in the process of collection to the credit of the appropriate account or fund, free from any previous encumbrances. Moneys due in excess of the Contract Sum shall require an additional and separate Fiscal Officer's Certificate.

DATED: _____

Fiscal Officer



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**BID GUARANTY AND
CONTRACT BOND**
(O.R.C. § 153.571)

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the undersigned _____
_____ ("Contractor") as principal and _____
_____ as surety are hereby held and firmly bound unto the **City of Canton** as
obligee in the penal sum of the dollar amount of the bid submitted by the principal to the obligee on _____
_____, 20___, to undertake the construction of the **Centennial Plaza Project** ("Project"). The
penal sum referred to herein shall be the dollar amount of the principal's bid to the obligee, incorporating
any additive or deductive Alternates made by the principal on the date referred to above to the obligee,
which are accepted by the obligee. In no case shall the penal sum exceed the amount of _____
_____ Dollars (\$_____). (If the foregoing blank is not filled in, the penal
sum will be the full amount of the principal's bid, including add Alternates. Alternatively, if the blank is filled
in the amount stated must not be less than the full amount of the bid including add Alternates, in dollars
and cents. A percentage is not acceptable.) For the payment of the penal sum well and truly to be made,
we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and
assigns.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20___.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the above named principal has
submitted a bid for work on the Project.

Now, therefore, if the obligee accepts the bid of the principal and the principal fails to enter into a
proper contract in accordance with the bid, plans, details, specifications, and bills of material; and in the
event the principal pays to the obligee the difference not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the penalty hereof
between the amount specified in the bid and such larger amount for which the obligee may in good faith
contract with the next lowest bidder to perform the work covered by the bid; or in the event the obligee does
not award the contract to the next lowest bidder and resubmits the project for bidding, the principal pays to
the obligee the difference not-to-exceed ten percent (10%) of the penalty hereof between the amount
specified in the bid, or the costs, in connection with the resubmission, of printing new contract documents,
required advertising, and printing and mailing notices to prospective bidders, whichever is less, then this
obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect; if the obligee accepts the bid
of the principal and the principal within ten (10) days after the awarding of the contract enters into a proper
contract in accordance with the bid, plans, details, specifications, and bills of material, which said contract
is made a part of this bond the same as though set forth herein.

Now also, if the said principal shall well and faithfully do and perform the things agreed by said
principal to be done and performed according to the terms of said contract; and shall pay all lawful claims
of subcontractors, materialmen, and laborers, for labor performed and materials furnished in the carrying
forward, performing, or completing of said contract; we agreeing and assenting that this undertaking shall
be for the benefit of any materialman or laborer having a just claim, as well as for the obligee herein; then
this obligation shall be void; otherwise the same shall remain in full force and effect; and surety shall
indemnify the obligee against all damage suffered by failure of the principal to perform the contract
according to its provisions and in accordance with the plans, details, specifications, and bills of material
therefor and to pay all lawful claims of subcontractors, materialmen, and laborers for labor performed or
material furnished in carrying forward, performing, or completing the contract and surety further agrees and
assents that this undertaking is for the benefit of any subcontractor, materialman, or laborer having a just
claim, as well as for the obligee; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the surety for
any and all claims hereunder shall in no event exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The said surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no modifications, omissions, or additions in or to
the terms of the said contract or in or to the plans or specifications therefore shall in any wise affect the



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obligations of said surety on its bond, and does hereby waive notice of any such modifications, omissions or additions to the terms of the contract or to the work or to the specifications.

Signed and sealed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

PRINCIPAL

By: _____

Printed Name & Title: _____

SURETY

By: _____

Printed Name & Title: _____

Surety's Address: _____

Surety's Telephone Number: _____

Surety's Fax Number: _____

SURETY'S AGENT

Surety's Agent's Address: _____

Surety's Agent's Telephone Number: _____

Surety's Agent's Fax Number: _____



NOTE: The Contract Bond form that follows is to be used ONLY by a bidder that is awarded a contract and submits a form of bid guaranty other than the combined Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond with its bid. If a bidder submits a combined Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond, then the bid guaranty becomes the contract bond when the contract is awarded.

AIA and EJCDC Bid Bond or Payment and Performance Bond forms are not acceptable for this Project.



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CONTRACT BOND
(O.R.C. § 153.57)

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the undersigned ("Contractor"), as principal, and _____, as surety, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the **City of Canton** ("Owner") as obligee, in the penal sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____), for the payment of which well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas, the above-named principal did on the _____ day of _____, 20____, enter into a contract with the Owner for construction of the **Centennial Plaza Project** ("Project"), which said contract is made a part of this bond the same as though set forth herein:

Now, if the said Contractor shall well and faithfully do and perform the things agreed by the Contractor to be done and performed according to the terms of said contract; and shall pay all lawful claims of subcontractors, materialmen, and laborers, for labor performed and materials furnished in the carrying forward, performing, or completing of said contract; we agreeing and assenting that this undertaking shall be for the benefit of any materialman or laborer having a just claim, as well as for the obligee herein; then this obligation shall be void; otherwise the same shall remain in full force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the surety for any and all claims hereunder shall in no event exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The said surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no modifications, omissions, or additions in or to the terms of the said contract or in or to the plans or specifications therefore shall in any wise affect the obligations of said surety on its bond, and does hereby waive notice of any such modifications, omissions or additions to the terms of the contract or to the work or to the specifications.

Signed and sealed this _____ day of _____, 20____.

(PRINCIPAL)

(SURETY)

By: _____

By: _____

Printed Name & Title: _____

Printed Name & Title: _____

Surety's Address: _____

Surety's Telephone Number: _____

Surety's Fax Number: _____

NAME OF SURETY'S AGENT

Surety's Agent's Address: _____

Surety's Agent's Telephone Number: _____

Surety's Agent's Fax Number: _____



**SECTION 00 41 13 - BID FORM - STIPULATED SUM
(SINGLE-PRIME CONTRACT)**

1.01 BID INFORMATION

- A. Bidder: _____.
- B. Project Name: **Centennial Plaza**
- C. Project Location: **Canton, Ohio**
- D. Owner: **City of Canton, Canton, OH.**
- E. Engineer / Landscape Architect: **MKSK**
- F. **Engineer / Landscape Architect Project Number: c18514**

1.02 DELIVER TO:

The City of Canton
ATTN: **Purchasing/Bids**
218 Cleveland Avenue SW
Canton, OH 44702

1.03 OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AND BASE BID

- A. Base Bid, Single-Prime (All Trades) Contract: The undersigned Bidder, having carefully examined the Procurement and Contracting Requirements, Conditions of the Contract, Drawings, Specifications, and all subsequent Addenda, as prepared by MKSK and Architect's consultants, having visited the site, and being familiar with all conditions and requirements of the Work, hereby agrees to furnish all material, labor, equipment and services, including all scheduled allowances, necessary to complete the construction of the above-named project, according to the requirements of the Procurement and Contracting Documents, for the stipulated sum of:
 - 1. _____ Dollars (\$_____).
 - 2. The above amount may be modified by amounts indicated by the Bidder on the attached Document 00 43 22 "Unit Prices Form" and Document 00 43 23 "Alternates Form."

1.04 BID GUARANTEE

- A. The undersigned Bidder agrees to execute a contract for this Work in the above amount and to furnish surety as specified within 10 days after a written Notice of Award, if offered within 60 days after receipt of bids, and on failure to do so agrees to forfeit to Owner the attached cash, cashier's check, certified check, U.S. money order, or bid bond, as liquidated damages for such failure, in the following amount constituting ten percent (10%) of the Base Bid amount above:
 - 1. _____ Dollars (\$_____).
- B. In the event Owner does not offer Notice of Award within the time limits stated above, Owner will return to the undersigned the cash, cashier's check, certified check, U.S. money order, or bid bond.



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1.05 TIME OF COMPLETION

- A. The undersigned Bidder proposes and agrees hereby to commence the Work of the Contract Documents on a date specified in a written Notice to Proceed to be issued by Landscape Architect, and shall fully complete the Work no later than August 1, 2020.

1.06 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

- A. The undersigned Bidder acknowledges receipt of and use of the following Addenda in the preparation of this Bid:
1. Addendum No. 1, dated _____.
 2. Addendum No. 2, dated _____.
 3. Addendum No. 3, dated _____.
 4. Addendum No. 4, dated _____.

1.07 BID SUPPLEMENTS

- A. The following supplements are a part of this Bid Form and are attached hereto.
1. Bid Form Supplement - Unit Prices.
 2. Bid Form Supplement - Allowances.
 3. Bid Form Supplement - Bid Bond Form (See Invitation to Bid and Owner/Contract agreement forms).

1.08 CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE

- A. The undersigned further states that it is a duly licensed contractor, for the type of work proposed, in Canton, OH and that all fees, permits, etc., pursuant to submitting this proposal have been paid in full.

1.09 Before completing the Bid Form, the undersigned represents that it has carefully reviewed the Legal Notice to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, this Bid Form, Form of Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond, Contractor's Affidavit (O.R.C. 5719.042), Owner-Contractor Agreement, General Conditions of the Contract (EJCDC C-700) (as modified for the Project), Drawings, Project Specifications, and other Contract Documents. Failure to comply with provisions of the Contract Documents may be cause for disqualification of the bid.

1.10 BONDS AND CONTRACT: If the undersigned is notified of bid acceptance, it agrees to furnish required bonds as indicated in the Instructions to Bidders.

1.11 COMPLETION OF WORK: In submitting a bid, the undersigned agrees to execute the Owner-Contractor Agreement in the form included in the Contract Documents and to complete its Work as required by the Contract Documents.

NOTE A: The wording of the Bid Form shall be used throughout, without change, alteration, or addition. Any change may cause it to be rejected.

NOTE B: Bidder is cautioned to bid only on the Brands or Standards specified.

NOTE C: If there is an inconsistency or conflict in the Bid amount, the lowest amount shall control, whether expressed in numbers or words.



2.01 BID:

Include the cost of all labor and material for the contract listed below. Bidder is to fill in all blanks related to the Bid Package for which a bid is being submitted. If no bid is submitted for an item, leave the item blank or insert "NO BID" in the blank. For alternate items, indicate whether the amount stated is in addition to or a deduction from the base bid amount (if there is no indication whether the amount for an alternate is an addition or a deduction, the amount shall be a deduction).

2.02 Bidder will complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents for the prices set forth in the attached Bid Schedule.

3.01 INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING

- A. The person signing for a sole proprietorship must be the sole proprietor or his authorized representative. The name of the sole proprietor must be shown below.
- B. The person signing for a partnership must be a partner or his authorized representative.
- C. The person signing for a corporation must be the president, vice president or other authorized representative; or he must show authority, by affidavit, to bind the corporation.
- D. The person signing for some other legal entity must show his authority, by affidavit, to bind the legal entity.

4.01 BIDDER CERTIFICATIONS. The Bidder hereby acknowledges that the following representations in this bid are material and not mere recitals:

1. **The Bidder acknowledges that this is a public project involving public funds, and that the Owner expects and requires that each successful Bidder adhere to the highest ethical and performance standards. The Bidder by submitting its bid pledges and agrees that (a) it will act at all times with absolute integrity and truthfulness in its dealings with the Owner and the Design Professional, (b) it will use its best efforts to cooperate with the Owner and the Design Professional and all other Contractors on the Project and at all times will act with professionalism and dignity in its dealings with the Owner, Design Professional and other Contractors, (c) it will assign only competent supervisors and workers to the Project, each of whom is fully qualified to perform the tasks that are assigned to him/her, and (d) it has read, understands and will comply with the terms of the Contract Documents.**
2. The Bidder represents that it has had a competent person carefully and diligently review each part of the Contract Documents, including any Divisions of the Specifications and parts of the Drawings that are not directly applicable to the Work on which the Bidder is submitting its bid. By submitting its bid, each Bidder represents and agrees, based upon its careful and diligent review of the Contract Documents, that it is not aware of any conflicts, inconsistencies, errors or omissions in the Contract Documents for which it has not notified the Owner in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the bid opening. If there are any such conflicts, inconsistencies, errors or omissions in the Contract Documents, the Bidder (i) will provide the labor, equipment or materials of the better quality or greater quantity of Work; and/or (ii) will comply with the more stringent requirements. The Bidder will not be entitled to any additional compensation for any conflicts, inconsistencies, errors or omissions that would have been discovered by such careful and diligent review, unless it has given such prior written notice to Owner.
3. The Bidder represents that it has had a competent person carefully and diligently inspect and examine the entire site for the Project and the surrounding area, including all parts of the site applicable to the Work for which it is submitting its bid, and carefully correlate the results of the inspection with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Bidder agrees that its bid shall include all costs attributable to site and surrounding area conditions that would have been



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discovered by such careful and diligent inspection and examination of the site and the surrounding area, and the Bidder shall not be entitled to any Change Order, additional compensation, or additional time on account of conditions that could have been discovered by such an investigation.

4. The Bidder represents, understands and agrees that a) the Claim procedures in the General Conditions as modified for the Project are material terms of the Contract Documents, b) if it has a Claim, it will have its personnel provide complete and accurate information to complete and submit the Statement of Claim form on a timely basis, c) the proper completion and timely submission of a Statement of Claim form is a condition precedent to any change in the Contract Sum or the Contract Time(s), and d) the proper and timely submission of the Statement of Claim form provides the Owner with necessary information so that the Owner may investigate the Claim and mitigate its damages.
5. The Bidder represents that the bid contains the name of every person interested therein and is based upon the Standards specified by the Contract Documents.
6. The Bidder and each person signing on behalf of the Bidder certifies, and in the case of a bid by joint venture, each member thereof certifies as to such member's entity, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief: (a) the Base Bid, any Unit Prices and any Alternate bid in the bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication or agreement, or for the purpose of restricting competition as to any matter relating to such Base Bid, Unit Prices or Alternate bid with any other Bidder; (b) unless otherwise required by law, the Base Bid, any Unit Prices and any Alternate bid in the bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the Bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Bidder prior to the bid opening, directly or indirectly, to any other Bidder who would have any interest in the Base Bid, Unit Prices or Alternate bid; (c) no attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder to induce any other Person to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition; and (d) the statements made in this Bid Form are true and correct.
7. The Bidder will execute the form of Owner/Contractor Agreement in the form included with the Contract Documents, if a Contract is awarded on the basis of this bid, and if the Bidder does not execute the Contract Form for any reason, other than as authorized by law, the Bidder and the Bidder's Surety are liable to the Owner.
8. The Bidder certifies that the upon the award of a Contract, the Contractor will ensure that all of the Contractor's employees, while working on the Project site, will not purchase, transfer, use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol or abuse prescription drugs in any way.
9. The Bidder agrees to furnish any information requested by the Owner's authorized representative to evaluate that the Bidder has submitted the lowest and best bid and that the bid is responsive to the specifications.
10. The Bidder certifies that it has no unresolved findings for recovery issued by the Auditor of State.
11. The Bidder certifies that it is aware of and in compliance with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 3517.13 regarding campaign contributions.

LEGAL NAME OF BIDDER: _____

BIDDER IS (check one): sole proprietor partnership corporation other legal entity



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NAME & TITLE OF PERSON LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO BIND BIDDER TO A CONTRACT:

Name Title

DATE SIGNED: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

FAX: _____

FEDERAL TAX I.D. # _____

When the Bidder is a partnership or a joint venture, state name and address of each partner in the partnership or participant in the joint venture below:

Name

Address

Name

Address

Name

Address

Name

Address

Name

Address

END OF SECTION



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CONTRACTOR'S QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

Centennial Plaza Project

SUBMITTED TO: The City of Canton
ATTN: **Purchasing/Bids**
218 Cleveland Avenue SW
Canton, OH 44702

SUBMITTED BY: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRINCIPAL OFFICE: _____

- Corporation
- Partnership
- Individual
- Joint Venture
- Other

NAME OF PROJECT: **Centennial Plaza** Project

1. ORGANIZATION

- 1.1 How many years has your organization been in business as a Contractor in the construction industry?
- 1.2 How many years has your organization been in business under its present business name?
 - 1.2.1 Under what other or former names has your organization operated?
- 1.3 If your organization is a corporation, answer the following:
 - 1.3.1 Date of incorporation:
 - 1.3.2 State of incorporation:
 - 1.3.3 President's name:
 - 1.3.4 Vice President's name(s):
 - 1.3.5 Secretary's name:
 - 1.3.6 Treasurer's name:
- 1.4 If your organization is a partnership, answer the following:



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- 1.4.1 Date of organization:
 - 1.4.2 Type of partnership (if applicable):
 - 1.4.3 Name(s) of general partner(s):
 - 1.5 If your organization is individually owned, answer the following:
 - 1.5.1 Date of organization:
 - 1.5.2 Name of owner:
 - 1.6 If the form of your organization is other than those listed above, describe it and name the principals:
2. LICENSING
- 2.1. List jurisdictions and trade categories in which your organization is legally qualified to do business, and indicate registration or license numbers, if applicable.
 - 2.2. List jurisdictions in which your organization's partnership or trade name is filed.
 - 2.3. List any suspension or revocations of any professional license of any director, officer, owner, or managerial employees of the Contractor, to the extent that any work to be performed on this Project is within the field of such licensed profession.
3. EXPERIENCE
- 3.1. List the categories of work that your organization normally performs with its own forces.
 - 3.2. Claims and Lawsuits (If the answer to any of the questions below is yes, please attach details.)
 - 3.2.1. Has your organization ever failed to complete any work?
 - 3.2.2. Has your organization ever failed to complete any work by the substantial completion date, final completion date, or in a timely manner?
 - 3.2.3. Within the last five (5) years has your organization or any of its officers prosecuted any Claims, had any Claims prosecuted against it or them, or been involved in or is currently involved in any mediation or arbitration proceedings or lawsuits related to any construction project, or has any judgments or awards outstanding against it or them? Has your organization had any extension requests, fines and penalties imposed, or contract defaults? If the answer is yes, please attach the details for each Claim, including the names and telephone numbers of the persons who are parties, the amount of the Claim, the type of Claim and the basis for the Claim, and the outcome.

Note: As used in this document "Claim" means a Claim initiated under the Contract Documents for a project or relating to the Work for a project, including Claims made against performance bonds secured by the Contractor on other construction projects.
 - 3.3. Has your organization ever failed to comply with federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations, including but not limited to the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Ohio Prevailing Wage laws, and Ohio ethics laws? If the answer is yes, please attach details and reason(s) for each instance and the outcome including any fines or penalties imposed.
 - 3.4. Within the last five years, has any officer or principal of your organization ever been an officer or principal of another organization when it failed to complete a construction contract? If the answer is yes, please attach details for each instance, including the names and telephone numbers of the persons who are parties to the contract, and the reason(s) the contract was not completed.



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3.5. On a separate sheet, list construction projects your organization has in progress with an original Contract Sum of more than \$10,000,000, giving the name of project, owner and its telephone number, design professional and its telephone number, contract amount, percent complete and scheduled completion date.

3.5.1. State total amount of work in progress and under contract:

3.6. Provide the following information for each contract your organization has had during the last five (5) years, including current contracts, where the Contract Sum is fifty percent (50%) or more of the bid amount for this Project, including add alternates. Include details regarding timeliness of performance and quality of work. List the original contract price for each project, the amount of any change orders or cost overruns on each, the reasons for the change orders or cost overruns, and your organization's record for complying with and meeting completion deadlines on construction projects. If there are more than ten (10) of these contracts, only provide information on the most recent ten (10) contracts, including current contracts.

Project And Work	Contract Sum	Owner's Representative & Telephone Number	Engineer's Or Architect's Representative Name & Telephone Number	Additional Comments



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3.7. Provide the following information for each project your organization has had during the last five (5) years, which your organization believes is of comparable or greater size and complexity than the Owner's project. Include details regarding how such projects demonstrate your organization's ability and capacity to perform a substantial portion of the Project with its own work force. If there are more than five (5) of these projects, only provide information on the most recent five (5) projects, including current projects.

Project And Work	Contract Sum	Owner's Representative & Telephone Number	Engineer's Or Architect's Representative Name & Telephone Number	Additional Comments

3.7.1. State average annual amount of construction work your organization has performed during the last five years.

3.7.2. If any of the following members of your organization's management -- president, chairman of the board, or any director -- operates or has operated another construction company during the last five (5) years, identify the member of management and the name of the construction company.

3.7.3. If your organization is operating under a trade name registration with the Secretary of State for the State of Ohio, identify the entity for which the trade name is registered. If none, state "none."

3.7.4. If your organization is a division or wholly-owned subsidiary of another entity or has another relationship with another entity, identify the entity of which it is a division or wholly-owned subsidiary or with which it has another relationship and also identify the nature of the relationship. If none, state "not applicable."

3.8. On a separate sheet, list the construction education, training, construction experience, and tenure with your organization for each person who will fill a management role on the Project, including without limitation the Project Executive, Project Engineer, Project Manager, and Project Superintendent. For each person listed, include with the other information the last three projects on which the person worked and the name and telephone number of the Design Professional and the Owner.

3.9. Describe the size and experience of your organization's work force and your equipment and facilities, in relation to your organization's ability to complete the Project successfully and on time.

4. REFERENCES

4.1. Trade References:

4.2. Bank References:

4.3. Surety:

4.3.1. Name of bonding company:

4.3.2. Name and address of agent:



5. FINANCING

5.1 Financial Statement (May be required, but only post-bid. Not a requirement to provide with bid.)

5.1.1 Attach a financial statement, preferably audited, including your organization's latest balance sheet and income statement showing the following items:

Current Assets (e.g., cash, joint venture accounts, accounts receivable, notes receivable, accrued income, deposits, materials inventory and prepaid expenses);

Net Fixed Assets;

Other Assets;

Current Liabilities (e.g., accounts payable, notes payable, accrued expenses, provision for income taxes, advances, accrued salaries and accrued payroll taxes); and

Other Liabilities (e.g., capital, capital stock, authorized and outstanding shares par values, earned surplus and retained earnings).

5.1.2 Name and address of firm preparing attached financial statement, and date thereof.

5.1.3 Is the attached financial statement for the identical organization named on page one?

5.1.4 If not, explain the relationship and financial responsibility of the organization whose financial statement is provided (e.g., parent-subsidiary).

5.2 Will the organization whose financial statement is attached act as guarantor of the contract for construction?

5.3 Attach additional documentation or explanations demonstrating your organization's financial responsibility, adequate resources and availability of credit, its means and ability to procure insurance and acceptable performance bonds required for the Project.

6. Does your organization participate in a drug-free workplace program? Provide your organization's record for both resolved and unresolved findings of the Auditor of the State of Ohio for recovery as defined in Section 9.24 of the Ohio Revised Code.

7. List any projects within the previous five years where a public entity determined that your organization was not a responsible bidder, including the name of the public entity, the reasons given by the public entity, and an explanation thereof.

8. Additional Criteria. Pursuant to the Codified Ordinance of the City of Canton, Chapter 105, the Owner, in its discretion, reserves the right to request additional information and documentation relating to the foregoing and related to any of the criteria listed in Paragraph I.6 of the Instructions to Bidders from Bidders after the bid opening. The Owner may consider such information and documentation in determining which bid is lowest and best. The Owner, in its discretion, may consider and give such weight to any and all criteria as it deems appropriate.

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Certification. The undersigned certifies for the reliance of the Owner that after diligent investigation, to the best of the undersigned's belief, the information provided with this Contractor's Qualification Statement is true, accurate and not misleading.

SIGNATURE:

Dated this ____ day of _____ 20__.

Name of Organization: _____

By: _____
[print name]

Signature: _____

Title: _____

State of _____

County of _____

_____, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the information provided herein is true and sufficiently complete so as not to be misleading.

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

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

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[Where Third Party Engineer Performs Construction Administration Duties]

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ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY

1.01 *Defined Terms*

- A. Wherever used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents, a term printed with initial capital letters or with all capital letters, including the term's singular and plural forms, will have the meaning indicated in the definitions below. 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 or Owner-Contractor Agreement*—The written instrument, executed by Owner and Contractor, that sets forth the Contract Price and Contract Times, identifies the parties and the Engineer, and designates the specific items that are Contract Documents.
 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. *Bid*—The offer of a Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.
 5. *Bidder*—An individual or entity that submits a Bid to Owner.
 6. *Bidding Documents*—The Bidding Requirements, the proposed Contract Documents, and all Addenda.
 7. *Bidding Requirements*—The advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Bond or other Bid security, if any, the Bid Form, and the Bid with any attachments.
 8. *Change Order*—A document 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, or other revision to the Contract, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract.
 9. *Change Proposal*—A written request by Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth herein, seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Owner concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract.
 10. *Claim*—(a) A demand or assertion by Owner directly to Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with any procedural requirements set forth herein, seeking an adjustment of Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Contract Documents; contesting Engineer's decision regarding a Change Proposal; seeking resolution of a contractual issue that Engineer has declined to address; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract; or (b) a demand or assertion by Contractor directly to Owner, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth herein, seeking an adjustment of Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting Owner's decision regarding a Change Proposal; or



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seeking resolution of a contractual issue that Owner has declined to address. A demand for money or services by a third party is not a Claim.

11. *Constituent of Concern*—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive materials, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to (a) the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. §§9601 et seq. (“CERCLA”); (b) the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. §§5501 et seq.; (c) the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. §§6901 et seq. (“RCRA”); (d) the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §§2601 et seq.; (e) the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq.; (f) the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.; or (g) any other federal, state, or local statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, resolution, code, order, or decree regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.
12. *Contract*—The entire and integrated written contract between the Owner and Contractor concerning the Work. The Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, whether written or oral.
13. *Contract Documents*—Those items so designated in the Agreement, and which together comprise the Contract. Only printed or hard copies of the items 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.
14. *Contract Price*—The money that Owner has agreed to pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents as stated in the Agreement (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 13.03 in the case of Unit Price Work).
15. *Contract Times*—The number of days or the dates stated in the Agreement by which Contractor shall: (a) achieve Milestones, if any; (b) achieve Substantial Completion; and (c) complete the Work so that it is ready for final payment.
16. *Contractor*—The individual or entity with which Owner has contracted for performance of the Work and has entered into the Agreement.
17. *Cost of the Work*—See Paragraph 13.01 for definition.
18. *Design Professional*- architects; civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and other engineers; interior designers; landscape architects; and others whose services have traditionally been considered "professional" activities, require licensing or registration by the state, or otherwise require the knowledge and application of design principles appropriate to the project at hand.
19. *Drawings*—The part of the Contract Documents prepared or approved by the Engineer that 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.
20. *Effective Date of the Contract*—The date, indicated in the Agreement, on which the Contract becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, it means the date on which the Agreement is signed by the Owner.
21. *Engineer*—The individual or entity named identified in the Agreement.



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22. *Field Order*—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times.
23. *General Requirements*—Sections of Division 1 of the Specifications. The General Requirements pertain to all sections of the Specifications.
24. *Hazardous Environmental Condition*—The presence at the Site of Constituents of Concern in such quantities or circumstances that may present a danger to persons or property exposed thereto. The presence at the Site of materials that are necessary for the execution of the Work, or that are to be incorporated in the Work, and that are controlled and contained pursuant to industry practices, Laws and Regulations, and the requirements of the Contract, does not establish a Hazardous Environmental Condition.
25. *Laws and Regulations; Laws or Regulations*—Any and all applicable laws, *statutes*, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and orders of any and all governmental bodies, agencies, authorities, and courts having jurisdiction.
26. *Liens*—Charges, security interests, or *encumbrances* upon Contract-related funds, real property, or personal property.
27. *Milestone*—A principal event in the performance of the Work that the Contract requires Contractor to achieve by an *intermediate* completion date or by a time prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work.
28. *Notice of Award*—The written notice by Owner to a Bidder of Owner’s acceptance of the Bid.
29. *Notice to Proceed*—A written notice by Owner to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Times will commence to run and on which Contractor may start to perform the Work. *Owner*—The individual or entity with which *Contractor* has contracted regarding the Work, and which has agreed to pay Contractor for the performance of the Work, pursuant to the terms of the Contract. The Owner is the City of Canton.
30. *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. The Progress Schedule is sometimes called the Construction Schedule.
31. *Project*—The total undertaking to be accomplished for Owner by engineers, contractors, and others, including planning, study, design, construction, testing, commissioning, and start-up, and of which the Work to be performed under the Contract Documents is a part.
32. *Project Manual*—The written documents prepared for, or made available for, procuring and constructing the Work, including but not limited to the Bidding Documents or other construction procurement documents, geotechnical and existing conditions information, the Agreement, bond forms, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, and Specifications. The contents of the Project Manual may be bound in one or more volumes.
33. *Resident Project Representative*—The authorized representative of Engineer assigned to assist Engineer at the Site. As used herein, the term Resident Project Representative or “RPR” includes any assistants or field staff of Resident Project Representative.



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34. *Samples*—Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are *representative* of some portion of the Work and that establish the standards by which such portion of the Work will be judged.
35. *Schedule of Submittals*—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, of required submittals and the time requirements for Engineer’s review of the submittals and the performance of related construction activities.
36. *Schedule of Values*—For non unit price items, 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.
37. *Shop Drawings*—All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or *information* that are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Contractor and submitted by Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work. Shop Drawings, whether approved or not, are not Drawings and are not Contract Documents.
38. *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, and such other lands furnished by Owner which are designated for the use of Contractor.
39. *Specifications*—The part of the Contract that consists of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards, and workmanship as applied to the *Work*, and certain administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable to the Work.
40. *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.
41. *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. Substantial Completion is further defined as (i) that degree of completion of the Project’s operating facilities or systems sufficient to provide Owner the full time, uninterrupted, and continuous beneficial operation of the Work; ii) all required functional, performance, and acceptance or startup testing has been successfully demonstrated for all components, devices, equipment, and instrumentation and control; and (iii) all traffic control and safety devices are in place and operational to the satisfaction of Engineer in accordance with the requirements of the Specifications.
42. *Successful Bidder*—The Bidder whose Bid the Owner accepts, and to which the Owner makes an award of contract, subject to stated conditions.
43. *Supplementary Conditions*—The part of the Contract Documents that amends or supplements these General Conditions.
44. *Supplier*—A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, materialman, or vendor having a direct contract with Contractor or with any Subcontractor to furnish materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work by Contractor or a Subcontractor.



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45. *Technical Data*—Those items expressly identified as Technical Data in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to either (a) subsurface conditions at the Site, or physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site (except Underground Facilities) or (b) Hazardous Environmental Conditions at the Site. If no such express identifications of Technical Data have been made with respect to conditions at the Site, then the data contained in boring logs, recorded measurements of subsurface water levels, laboratory test results, and other factual, objective information regarding conditions at the Site that are set forth in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor are hereby defined as Technical Data with respect to conditions at the Site under Paragraphs 5.03, 5.04, and 5.06.
46. *Underground Facilities*—All underground pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or attachments, and any encasements containing such facilities, including but not limited to those that convey electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, fiber optic transmissions, cable television, water, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems.
47. *Unit Price Work*—Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.
48. *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; furnishing, installing, and incorporating all materials and equipment into such construction; and may include related services such as testing, start-up, and commissioning, all as required by the Contract Documents.
49. *Work Change Directive*—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract, 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 respond 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 words and terms discussed in the following paragraphs are not defined but, when used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents, have the indicated meaning.
- B. *Intent of Certain Terms or Adjectives:*
 1. The Contract Documents include the terms “as allowed,” “as approved,” “as ordered,” “as directed” or terms of like effect or import to authorize an exercise of professional judgment by Engineer. In addition, the adjectives “reasonable,” “suitable,” “acceptable,” “proper,” “satisfactory,” or adjectives of like effect or import are used to describe an action or determination of Engineer as to the Work. It is intended that such exercise of professional judgment, action, or determination will be solely to evaluate, in general, the Work for compliance with the information in the Contract Documents and with the design concept of the Project as a



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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 Article 10 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 15.03 or 15.04).

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. If the Contract Documents establish an obligation of Contractor with respect to specific services, materials, or equipment, but do not expressly use any of the four words “furnish,” “install,” “perform,” or “provide,” then Contractor shall furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- F.** Unless stated otherwise in the Contract Documents, words or phrases that have a well-known technical or construction industry or trade meaning are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meaning.

ARTICLE 2 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

2.01 *Delivery of Bonds and Evidence of Insurance*

- A. **Bonds:** 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.



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- B. *Evidence of Contractor's Insurance:* When Contractor delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Owner, Contractor shall also deliver to Owner, with copies to each named insured and additional insured identified in the Modified General Conditions Owner-approved copies of certificates of insurance, copies of endorsements, and other evidence of insurance which either of them or any additional insured may reasonably request, which Contractor is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with Article 6.

2.02 *Copies of Documents*

- A. Owner shall furnish to Contractor one fully executed Agreement in electronic format.
- B. Owner shall maintain and safeguard at least one original printed record version of the Contract. Owner shall make such original printed record version of the Contract available to Contractor for review. Owner may delegate the responsibilities under this provision to Engineer.

2.03 *Before Starting Construction*

- A. *Preliminary Schedules:* Within 10 days after the Effective Date of the Contract (or as otherwise specifically required by the Contract Documents), 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;
 2. a preliminary Schedule of Submittals; and
 3. for Work items not covered by unit prices, a preliminary Schedule of Values 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 shall be broken down into labor & materials. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work. The total of the Schedule of Values prepared for the Work items not covered by unit prices, as required by these Modified General Conditions, shall not exceed the Bid submitted for said Work, unless such amount is adjusted as provided in the Contract Documents.

2.04 *Preconstruction Conference; Designation of Authorized Representatives*

- 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 2.03.A, procedures for handling Shop Drawings, Samples, and other submittals, processing Applications for Payment, electronic or digital transmittals, and maintaining required records.
- B. At this conference Owner and Contractor each shall designate, in writing, a specific individual to act as its authorized representative with respect to the services and responsibilities under the Contract. Such individuals shall have the authority to transmit and receive information, render decisions relative to the Contract, and otherwise act on behalf of each respective party.

2.05 *Initial Acceptance of Schedules*

- A. No progress payment shall be made to Contractor until acceptable schedules are submitted to Engineer and Owner.



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1. The Construction/Progress Schedule shall be prepared as provided in the Contract Documents.
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. For non-unit price Work, Contractor's Schedule of Values will be acceptable to Owner and Engineer as to form and substance if it provides a reasonable allocation of the Contract Price to the component parts of the Work. Such prices shall be broken down into labor & materials. Once approved by the Owner and Engineer, the Contractor will not change the allocation of the Contract Price to the component parts of the Work without the Owner and Engineer's written approval. The Owner and/or Engineer thereafter may from time to time require the Contractor to adjust such schedule if the Owner and/or Engineer determines it to be in any way unreasonable or inaccurate. The Contractor then shall adjust the schedule of values as required by the Owner and/or Engineer within ten (10) days.

2.06 *Electronic Transmittals*

- A. Except as otherwise stated elsewhere in the Contract, the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor may transmit, and shall accept, Project-related correspondence, text, data, documents, drawings, information, and graphics, including but not limited to Shop Drawings and other submittals, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website.
- B. When transmitting items in electronic media or digital format, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the items resulting from the recipient's use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used in the drafting or transmittal of the items, or from those established in applicable transmittal protocols.

ARTICLE 3 – DOCUMENTS: INTENT, REQUIREMENTS, 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. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, if there is a discrepancy between the electronic or digital versions of the Contract Documents (including any printed copies derived from such electronic or digital versions) and the printed record version, the printed record version shall govern.
- D. The Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, and agreements, whether written or oral.
- E. Engineer will issue clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents as provided herein.

3.02 *Reference Standards*

- A. Standards Specifications, Codes, Laws and Regulations



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1. Reference in the Contract Documents to standard specifications, manuals, reference standards, or codes of any technical society, organization, or association, or to Laws or Regulations, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the standard specification, manual, reference standard, code, or Laws or Regulations in effect at the time of opening of Bids (or on the Effective Date of the Contract 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, reference standard, 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, Engineer, or any of Owner's officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the Contract Documents.

3.03 *Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies*

A. *Reporting Discrepancies:*

1. *Contractor's Verification of Figures and Field Measurements:* In addition to its obligations under the Instructions to Bidders, before undertaking each part of the Work, Contractor shall carefully study the Contract Documents, and check and verify pertinent figures and dimensions therein, particularly with respect to applicable field measurements. Contractor shall promptly report in writing to Engineer any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy that Contractor discovers, or has actual knowledge of, and shall not proceed with any Work affected thereby until the conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification or interpretation by Owner, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to Paragraph 11.01.
2. *Contractor's Review of Contract Documents:* If, before or during the performance of the Work, Contractor discovers any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy within the Contract Documents, or between the Contract Documents and (a) any applicable Law or Regulation, (b) actual field conditions, (c) any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or (d) any instruction of any Supplier, then Contractor shall promptly report it to Engineer in writing. Contractor shall not proceed with the Work affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15) until the conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification or interpretation by Engineer, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to Paragraph 11.01.
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 had actual knowledge thereof or Contractor failed to perform its obligations under the Instructions to Bidders.
4. In addition to its obligations under the Instructions to Bidders, if Contractor proceeds with work that Contractor had actual knowledge or should have known that a conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy existed as indicated above, correction or work constructed without notification to Engineer shall be at Contractor's expense, (except in an emergency as authorized by Paragraph 7.15).



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B. *Resolving Discrepancies:*

1. Except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents, the provisions of the part of the Contract Documents prepared by or for Engineer shall take precedence in resolving any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy between such provisions of the Contract Documents and:
 - a. the provisions of any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or the instruction of any Supplier (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference as a Contract Document); or
 - 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).
2. Within the Contract Documents, requirements of the Agreement shall take precedence over the Modified General Conditions, which shall take precedence over the Specifications, which shall take precedence over the Drawings.
3. Within a particular Contract Document, figure dimensions on Drawings shall take precedence over general Drawings. Specific instructions or specifications shall take precedence over the general instructions or specifications.

3.04 *Requirements of the Contract Documents*

- A. During the performance of the Work and until final payment, Contractor and Owner shall submit to the Engineer all matters in question concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents (sometimes referred to as requests for information or interpretation—RFIs), or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents, as soon as possible after such matters arise. Engineer will be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge of the acceptability of the Work thereunder.
- B. Engineer will, with reasonable promptness, render a written clarification, interpretation, or decision on the issue submitted, or initiate an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents. Engineer's written clarification, interpretation, or decision will be final and binding on Contractor, unless it appeals by filing a Claim.
- C. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on resolution of such a matter in question, either party may pursue resolution as provided in Article 12.

3.05 *Reuse of Documents*

- A. Contractor and its Subcontractors and Suppliers 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 its consultants, including electronic media editions, or reuse any such Drawings, Specifications, other documents, or copies thereof on extensions of the Project or any other project without written consent of Owner and Engineer and specific written verification or adaptation by Engineer; or
 2. have or acquire any title or ownership rights in any other Contract Documents, reuse any such Contract Documents for any purpose without Owner's express written consent, or violate any copyrights pertaining to such Contract Documents.



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- B. The prohibitions 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.

ARTICLE 4 – COMMENCEMENT AND PROGRESS OF THE WORK

4.01 *Commencement of Contract Times; Notice to Proceed*

- A. The Contract Times will commence to run in accordance with Section 3 of the Agreement.

4.02 *Starting the Work*

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

4.03 *Reference Points*

- A. Owner shall provide engineering surveys to establish reference points for construction which in the 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 Professional Surveyor (P.S.) registered in the state of Ohio. Contractor is referred to the General Requirements for additional requirements for laying out the Work.

4.04 *Progress Schedule*

- A. Contractor shall adhere to the Construction Schedule established in accordance with the Contract Documents.

- 1. The Date for Substantial Completion shall be changed or modified only by Change Order, other Modification, or a Claim that is Finally Resolved, regardless of the date in the Construction Schedule.**

- 2. The float in the Construction Schedule and any updates to it shall belong to the Owner. Float shall mean the amount of time by which activities may be delayed without affecting the Contract Date for Substantial Completion.

- 3. The Contractor's obligation to furnish scheduling information is a material term of its Contract. If the Contractor fails to furnish requested scheduling information in writing within five (5) days of a request for such information from the Engineer or Owner, the Contractor shall pay and the Owner may withhold from the Contractor Liquidated Damages at the rate of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) a day for each calendar day thereafter that the Contractor fails to furnish the requested information.

- B. **THE PERIODS OF TIME IN THE PROJECT CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE ARE OF THE ESSENCE TO THIS CONTRACT. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROSECUTE ITS WORK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE.**



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1. **Notice of Delays.** As a condition precedent to any increase in the Contract Price and/or Contract Times, the Contractor shall give the Owner and the Engineer verbal notice of any delay affecting its Work within two (2) business days of the commencement of the delay. In addition and also as a condition precedent to any increase in the Contract Price and/or Contract Times, the Contractor shall give the Owner and Engineer written notice of the delay within ten (10) business days of the commencement of the delay with specific recommendations about how to minimize the effect of the delay. The written notice of the delay shall conspicuously state that it is a **“NOTICE OF DELAY.”** A notice of delay shall not constitute the submission of a Claim. Contract Times shall only be changed as provided in the Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that these notice provisions are material terms of the Contract Documents and give the Owner the opportunity to take action to minimize the cost and/or effect of delays.

4.05 *Delays in Contractor’s Progress*

- A. **Excusable, Compensable Delays.** If Owner, Engineer, 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 Times and Contract Price. Contractor’s entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor’s ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- B. **Non-Excusable Delays.** Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor. Delay, disruption, and interference attributable to and within the control of a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed to be within the control of Contractor.
- C. **Excusable, Non-Compensable Delays.** If Contractor’s performance or progress is delayed, disrupted, or interfered with by unanticipated causes not the fault of and beyond the control of Owner, Contractor, and those for which they are responsible, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Times. 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. Such an adjustment shall be Contractor’s sole and exclusive remedy for the delays, disruption, and interference described in this paragraph; it being understood and agreed that the Contractor has included in the Contract Price a contingency for the risk of such delays. Causes of delay, disruption, or interference that may give rise to an adjustment in Contract Times under this paragraph include but are not limited to the following:
 1. severe and unavoidable natural catastrophes such as fires, floods, epidemics, and earthquakes;
 2. weather conditions as provided in Paragraph 4.05.H;
 3. acts or failures to act of utility owners (other than those performing other work at or adjacent to the Site by arrangement with the Owner, as contemplated in Article 8); and
 4. acts of war or terrorism.
- D. **Delays, disruption, and interference to the performance or progress of the Work resulting from the existence of a differing subsurface or physical condition, an Underground Facility that was not shown or indicated by the Contract Documents, or not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, and those resulting from Hazardous Environmental Conditions, are governed by Article 5.**



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- E. Paragraph 8.03 governs delays, disruption, and interference to the performance or progress of the Work resulting from the performance of certain other work at or adjacent to the Site.
- F. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for any delay, disruption, or interference if such delay is concurrent with a delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor.
- G. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times under this paragraph within 30 days of the commencement of the delaying, disrupting, or interfering event.
- H. Weather Delays. When the Contractor is prevented from completing any part of the Work on the critical path within the Contract Time due to weather conditions, if a Claim is made as provided for in these Modified General Conditions, the Contract Time will be extended by one (1) day for each work day lost due to weather that delays Work on the critical path in excess of those in the following table:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Number of Workdays Lost Due To Weather</u>
<u>January</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>February</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>March</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>April</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>May</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>June</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>July</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>August</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>September</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>October</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>November</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>December</u>	<u>6</u>

- I. A work day will be lost due to weather only when weather conditions reduce production by more than 50 percent on Work on the critical path. Production shall be measured by hours worked. The Contractor shall have the burden of establishing that weather conditions reduced the production by more than 50 percent on Work on the critical path.

ARTICLE 5 – AVAILABILITY OF LANDS; SUBSURFACE AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS; HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

5.01 *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.
- B. Upon reasonable written request, Owner shall furnish Contractor with a Notice of Commencement prepared for the Project, conforming to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 1311.252.
- 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.



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5.02 Use of Site and Other Areas

A. *Limitation on Use of Site and Other Areas:*

1. Contractor shall confine construction equipment, temporary construction facilities, the storage of materials and equipment, and the operations of workers to the Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas permitted by Laws and Regulations, and shall not unreasonably encumber the Site and such other adjacent areas with construction equipment or other materials or equipment. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for (a) damage to the Site; (b) damage to any such other adjacent areas used for Contractor's operations; (c) damage to any other adjacent land or areas; and (d) for injuries and losses sustained by the owners or occupants of any such land or areas; provided that such damage or injuries result from the performance of the Work or from other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible.
2. If a damage or injury claim is made by the owner or occupant of any such land or area because of the performance of the Work, or because of other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible, Contractor shall (a) take immediate corrective or remedial action as required by Paragraph 7.12, or otherwise; (b) promptly attempt to settle the claim as to all parties through negotiations with such owner or occupant, or otherwise resolve the claim by arbitration or other dispute resolution proceeding, or at law; and (c) to the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against any such claim, and against all 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 directly or indirectly, in whole or in part by, alleged to have been caused by, or based upon, Contractor's performance of the Work, or because of other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible.

B. *Removal of Debris During Performance of the Work:* During the progress of the Work the Contractor shall keep the Site and other adjacent 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 and adjacent areas all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery, and surplus materials and shall restore to original condition all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

D. *Loading of 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 structures or land to stresses or pressures that will endanger them.



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5.03 *Subsurface and Physical Conditions*

- A. *Reports and Drawings:* The Agreement identifies:
1. those reports known to Owner of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site;
 2. those drawings known to Owner of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site (except Underground Facilities); and
 3. Technical Data contained in such reports and drawings.
 4. It is possible that there may be other reports, and/or tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the Site not prepared by or on behalf of Owner. The Owner makes no representation about such reports and/or tests, assuming they exist.
- B. *Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized:* Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data contained in such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. If no such express identification has been made, then Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data (as defined in Article 1) contained in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor. Except for such reliance on Technical Data, Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, 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. For example, interpolations and extrapolations of Technical Data performed by Contractor to estimate locations or quantities of subsurface strata are independent factual assumptions which Owner does not warrant.

5.04 *Differing Subsurface or Physical Conditions*

- A. *Notice by Contractor:* If Contractor believes that any subsurface or physical condition that is uncovered or revealed at the Site 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 5.03 is materially inaccurate; or
 2. is of such a nature as to require a change in the Drawings or Specifications; 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, as a condition precedent to any increase in the Contract Price and/or an extension of the Contract Times shall, within 48 hours after becoming aware thereof and



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before further disturbing the subsurface or physical conditions or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15), notify Owner and Engineer in writing about such condition. Contractor shall not further disturb such condition or perform any Work in connection therewith (except with respect to an emergency) until receipt of a written statement permitting Contractor to do so.

- B. *Engineer's Review:* After receipt of written notice as required by the preceding paragraph, Engineer will promptly review the subsurface or physical condition in question; determine the necessity of Owner's obtaining additional exploration or tests with respect to the condition; conclude whether the condition falls within any one or more of the differing site condition categories in Paragraph 5.04.A above; obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor; prepare recommendations to Owner regarding determine conditions for the Contractor's resumption of Work in connection with the subsurface or physical condition in question and the need for any change in the Drawings or Specifications; and advise Owner in writing of Engineer's findings, conclusions, and recommendations.
- C. *Owner's Statement to Contractor Regarding Site Condition:* After receipt of Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, Owner shall issue a written statement to Contractor (with a copy to Engineer) regarding the subsurface or physical condition in question, addressing the resumption of Work in connection with such condition and indicating whether any change in the Drawings or Specifications will be made, and adopting or rejecting Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, in whole or in part.
- D. *Possible Price and Times Adjustments:*
1. Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that the existence of a differing subsurface or physical condition, or any related delay, disruption, or interference, causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - a. such condition must fall within any one or more of the categories described in Paragraph 5.04.A;
 - 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 Paragraph 13.03; and
 - c. 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.
 2. Contractor shall not be entitled to any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times with respect to a subsurface or physical condition if:
 - a. Contractor knew or should have known of the existence of such condition at the time Contractor made a 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 otherwise; or
 - b. the existence of such condition reasonably could have been discovered or revealed as a result of any examination, investigation, exploration, test, or study of the Site and contiguous areas expressly required by the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents to be conducted by or for Contractor prior to Contractor's making such commitment; or



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c. Contractor failed to give the written notice as required by Paragraph 5.04.A.

3. If Owner and Contractor agree regarding Contractor's entitlement to and the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then any such adjustment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
4. Contractor may submit a Change Proposal regarding its entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after Owner's issuance of the Owner's written statement to Contractor regarding the subsurface or physical condition in question.

5.05 *Underground Facilities*

- A. *Contractor's Responsibilities:* The information and data shown or indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to existing Underground Facilities at or adjacent to the Site is based on information and data furnished to Owner or Engineer by the owners of such Underground Facilities, or by others. Unless it is otherwise expressly provided elsewhere in these Modified General Conditions:
 1. Owner and Engineer do not warrant or guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any such information or data provided by others; and
 2. the cost of all of the following will be included in the Contract Price, and Contractor shall have full responsibility for:
 - a. protecting all Underground Facilities in a manner at least as cautious and protective of safety and of underground facilities as those methods identified in Ohio Revised Code Sections 3781.25 and 3781.30;
 - b. coordination of the Work with the owners (including Owner) of such Underground Facilities, during construction; and
 - c. the safety and protection of all existing Underground Facilities at the Site, and repairing any damage thereto resulting from the Work.
- B. *Notice by Contractor:* If Contractor believes that an Underground Facility that is uncovered or revealed at the Site was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, then 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 7.15), identify the owner of such Underground Facility and give written notice to that owner and to Owner and Engineer.
- C. *Engineer's Review:* Engineer will promptly review the Underground Facility and conclude whether such Underground Facility was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy; obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor; prepare recommendations to Owner regarding the Contractor's resumption of Work in connection with the Underground Facility in question; and determine the extent, if any, to which a change is required in the Drawings or Specifications to reflect and document the consequences of the existence or location of the Underground Facility; and advise Owner in writing of Engineer's findings, conclusions, and recommendations. During such time, Contractor shall be responsible for the safety and protection of such Underground Facility.



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- D. *Owner's Statement to Contractor Regarding Underground Facility:* After receipt of Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, Owner shall issue a written statement to Contractor (with a copy to Engineer) regarding the Underground Facility in question, addressing the resumption of Work in connection with such Underground Facility, indicating whether any change in the Drawings or Specifications will be made, and adopting or rejecting Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations in whole or in part.
- E. *Possible Price and Times Adjustments:*
1. Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that any existing Underground Facility at the Site that was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, or any related delay, disruption, or interference, causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - a. Contractor did not know of and could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of or to have anticipated the existence or actual location of the Underground Facility in question;
 - 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 Paragraph 13.03;
 - c. 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; and
 - d. Contractor gave the notice required in Paragraph 5.05.B.
 2. If Owner and Contractor agree regarding Contractor's entitlement to and the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then any such adjustment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
 3. Contractor may submit a Change Proposal regarding its entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after Owner's issuance of the Owner's written statement to Contractor regarding the Underground Facility in question.

5.06 *Hazardous Environmental Conditions at Site*

- A. *Reports and Drawings:* The Agreement identifies:
1. Reports and drawings known to Owner relating to Hazardous Environmental Conditions that have been identified at or adjacent to the Site; and
 2. Technical Data contained in such reports and drawings.
- B. *Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized:* Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data expressly identified in the Contract Documents with respect to such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. If no such express identification has been made, then Contractor may rely on the accuracy of the Technical Data (as defined in Article 1) contained in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor. Except for such reliance on Technical Data, Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors with respect to:



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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 removing or remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition encountered, uncovered, or revealed at the Site unless such removal or remediation is expressly identified in the Contract Documents to be within the scope of the Work.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for controlling, containing, and duly removing all Constituents of Concern brought to the Site by Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or anyone else for whom Contractor is responsible, and for any associated costs; and for the costs of removing and remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition created by the presence of any such Constituents of Concern.
- E. If Contractor encounters, uncovers, or reveals a Hazardous Environmental Condition whose removal or remediation is not expressly identified in the Contract Documents as being within the scope of the Work, or if Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible creates a Hazardous Environmental Condition, then Contractor shall immediately: (1) secure or otherwise isolate such condition; (2) stop all Work in connection with such condition and in any area affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15); and (3) 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. Promptly after consulting with Engineer, Owner shall take such actions as are necessary to permit Owner to timely obtain required permits and provide Contractor the written notice required by Paragraph 5.06.F. If Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible created the Hazardous Environmental Condition in question, then Owner may remove and remediate the Hazardous Environmental Condition, and impose a set-off against payments to account for the associated costs.
- F. Contractor shall not resume Work in connection with such Hazardous Environmental Condition or in any affected area until after Owner has obtained any required permits related thereto, and delivered written notice to Contractor either (1) specifying that such condition and any affected area is or has been rendered safe for the resumption of Work, or (2) specifying any special conditions under which such Work may be resumed safely.
- G. 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, then within 30 days of Owner's written notice regarding the resumption of Work, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or Owner may impose a set-off.
- H. 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,



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then Owner may order the portion of the Work that is in the area affected by such condition to be deleted from the Work, following the contractual change procedures in Article 11. Owner may have such deleted portion of the Work performed by Owner's own forces or others in accordance with Article 8.

- I. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, 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 a Hazardous Environmental Condition created by Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible. Nothing in this Paragraph 5.06.I shall obligate Contractor to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence.
- J. The provisions of Paragraphs 5.03, 5.04, and 5.05 do not apply to the presence of Constituents of Concern or to a Hazardous Environmental Condition uncovered or revealed at the Site.

ARTICLE 6 – BONDS AND INSURANCE

6.01 *Performance, Payment, and Other Bonds*

- A. Contractor shall furnish a Contract Bond in the 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. Such bond shall be in the form that meets the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code. If the Contractor submitted a combined Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond with its bid for the Work, that form of Bond shall satisfy the Contractor's requirement to provide a Contract Bond. 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 except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (as amended and supplemented) by the Financial Management Service, Surety Bond Branch, U.S. Department of the Treasury and meet the other requirements of the Contract Documents. A bond signed by an agent or attorney-in-fact must be accompanied by a certified copy of that individual's authority to bind the surety. The evidence of authority shall show that it is effective on the date the agent or attorney-in-fact signed the accompanying bond.
- C. Contractor shall obtain the required bonds from surety companies that are duly licensed or authorized in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located to issue bonds in the required amounts.
- D. If the surety on a bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt or becomes insolvent, or its right to do business is terminated in any state or jurisdiction where any part of the Project is located, or the surety ceases to meet the requirements above, then 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 bond and surety requirements above.
- E. If Contractor has failed to obtain a required bond, Owner may exclude the Contractor from the Site and exercise Owner's termination rights under Article 16.



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- F. Upon request, Owner shall provide a copy of the payment bond to any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other person or entity claiming to have furnished labor or materials used in the performance of the Work.
- G. *Material Default or Termination.* If the Owner notifies the Contractor's surety that the Contractor is in material default, the surety will complete its investigation of the claimed material default within 21 days. The surety is advised to start looking for a replacement contractor upon notice of material default. As part of its investigation, the surety shall promptly visit the offices of the Contractor, Engineer, and Owner to inspect and copy the available Project records. The Owner, Engineer, and Contractor, upon written request by the surety, shall make such records available during regular business hours for such inspection and copying. The Owner and Engineer's making such records available as provided herein shall satisfy the Owner's obligation to the surety to furnish documents for the investigation. The surety will provide the Owner with the results of its investigation, including any written reports or documents.

If the Owner terminates the Contract and the surety proposes to take over the Work, the surety shall do so no later than the expiration of the 21-day investigation period or 10 days after the date the Owner terminates the Contract, whichever is later. If the Owner terminates the Contract, and the surety proposes to provide a replacement contractor, the replacement contractor shall not be the Contractor or a contractor comprised of mostly Contractor's employees, unless the Owner agrees in writing. In the event the Surety takes over the Project, the surety's obligation shall not be limited to the penal sum of the Bond.

If the surety does not propose an acceptable contractor as required by this Paragraph 6.01.G, the Owner may complete the Work by such means as it deems appropriate. In the event the Owner agrees to accept a replacement contractor, the replacement contractor shall furnish its own bond for the replacement contractor's scope of work, and neither the Contractor nor the surety shall be relieved of their obligations under the Contract Documents.

This Paragraph 6.01.G is in addition to any other rights of the Owner under the Contract Documents and is not intended to create any rights of the surety, including but not limited to the right to take over the Contractor's obligations.

In the event of the Contractor's termination and if the surety does not takeover the Work as provided in this Paragraph 6.01.G, the Owner may take possession of and use all materials, facilities, and equipment at the Project Site or stored off-site for which Owner has paid in whole or in part.

6.02 Insurance—General Provisions

- A. Owner and Contractor shall obtain and maintain insurance as required in this Article and in the Contract Documents.
- B. All insurance required by the Contract to be purchased and maintained by Owner or Contractor shall be obtained from insurance companies that are duly licensed or authorized, in the state or jurisdiction in which the Project is located, to issue insurance policies for the required limits and coverages. Unless a different standard is indicated in the Modified General Conditions, all companies that provide insurance policies required under this Contract shall have an A.M. Best rating of A-VII or better.



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- C. Contractor shall deliver to Owner, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in this Article, in the Modified General Conditions, or elsewhere in the Contract Documents), 3 certificates of insurance, copies of endorsements, or when specifically requested by the Owner, 3 certified copies of the insurance policies and a receipt evidencing full payment on the premiums, and other evidence of insurance requested by Owner establishing that Contractor has obtained and is maintaining the policies, coverages, and endorsements required by the Contract. Upon request by Owner or any other insured, Contractor shall also furnish other evidence of such required insurance, including but not limited to copies of policies and endorsements, and documentation of applicable self-insured retentions and deductibles. Contractor may block out (redact) any confidential premium or pricing information contained in any policy or endorsement furnished under this provision.
- D. Owner shall deliver to Contractor, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in this Article, the Modified General Conditions, or elsewhere in the Contract Documents), certificates of insurance establishing that Owner has obtained and is maintaining the policies, coverages, and endorsements required of Owner by the Contract (if any). Upon request by Contractor or any other insured, Owner shall also provide other evidence of such required insurance (if any), including but not limited to copies of policies and endorsements, and documentation of applicable self-insured retentions and deductibles. Owner may block out (redact) any confidential premium or pricing information contained in any policy or endorsement furnished under this provision.
- E. Failure of Owner to demand such certificates or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of Owner to identify a deficiency in compliance from the evidence provided shall not be construed as a waiver of Contractor's obligation to obtain and maintain such insurance.
- F. If either party does not purchase or maintain all of the insurance required of such party by the Contract, 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.
- G. If Contractor has failed to obtain and maintain required insurance, Owner may exclude the Contractor from the Site, impose an appropriate set-off against payment, and exercise Owner's termination rights under Article 16.
- H. Without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if a party has failed to obtain required insurance, the other party may elect to obtain equivalent insurance to protect such other party's interests at the expense of the party who was required to provide such coverage, and the Contract Price shall be adjusted accordingly.
- I. By requiring such insurance and insurance limits herein, Owner does not represent that insurance coverage and limits established in this Contract necessarily will be adequate to protect Contractor or Contractor's interests.
- J. The insurance and insurance limits required herein shall not be deemed as a limitation on Contractor's liability under the indemnities granted to Owner and other individuals and entities in the Contract Documents.



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6.03 Contractor's Insurance

- A. *Workers' Compensation*: Contractor shall purchase and maintain workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance for:
1. claims under workers' compensation, disability benefits, and other similar employee benefit acts.
 2. United States Longshoreman and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and Jones Act coverage (if applicable).
 3. claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of Contractor's employees (by stop-gap endorsement in monopolist worker's compensation states).
 4. Foreign voluntary worker compensation (if applicable).
- B. *Commercial General Liability—Claims Covered*: Contractor shall purchase and maintain commercial general liability insurance, covering all operations by or on behalf of Contractor, on an occurrence basis, against:
1. claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than Contractor's employees.
 2. claims for damages insured by reasonably available personal injury liability coverage.
 3. 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.
- C. *Commercial General Liability—Form and Content*: Contractor's commercial liability policy shall be written on a 1996 (or later) ISO commercial general liability form (occurrence form) and include the following coverages and endorsements:
1. Products and completed operations coverage:
 - a. Such insurance shall be maintained for three years after final payment.
 - b. Contractor shall furnish Owner and each other additional insured (as identified in these Modified General Conditions or elsewhere in the Contract Documents) evidence of continuation of such insurance at final payment and three years thereafter.
 2. Blanket contractual liability coverage, to the extent permitted by law, including but not limited to coverage of Contractor's contractual indemnity obligations in Paragraph 7.18.
 3. Broad form property damage coverage.
 4. Severability of interest.
 5. Underground, explosion, and collapse coverage.
 6. Personal injury coverage.
 7. Additional insured endorsements that include both ongoing operations and products and completed operations coverage through ISO Endorsements CG 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01 (together); or CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07 04 (together); or their equivalent.
 8. For design professional additional insureds, ISO Endorsement CG 20 32 07 04, "Additional Insured—Engineers, Architects or Surveyors Not Engaged by the Named Insured" or its equivalent.



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- D. *Automobile liability*: Contractor shall purchase and maintain automobile liability insurance against 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. The automobile liability policy shall be written on an occurrence basis.
- E. *Umbrella or excess liability*: Contractor shall purchase and maintain umbrella or excess liability insurance written over the underlying employer's liability, commercial general liability, and automobile liability insurance described in the paragraphs above. Subject to industry-standard exclusions, the coverage afforded shall follow form as to each and every one of the underlying policies.
- F. *Contractor's pollution liability insurance*: Contractor shall purchase and maintain a policy covering third-party injury and property damage claims, including clean-up costs, as a result of pollution conditions arising from Contractor's operations and completed operations. This insurance shall be maintained for no less than three years after final completion.
- G. *Additional insureds*: The Contractor's commercial general liability, automobile liability, umbrella or excess, and pollution liability policies shall include and list as additional insureds Owner and Engineer, and any individuals or entities identified in the Modified General Conditions; include coverage for the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, 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 (including as applicable those arising from both ongoing and completed operations) on a non-contributory basis. Contractor shall obtain all necessary endorsements to support these requirements.
- H. *Contractor's professional liability insurance*: If Contractor will provide or furnish professional services under this Contract, through a delegation of professional design services or otherwise, then Contractor shall be responsible for purchasing and maintaining applicable professional liability insurance. This insurance shall provide protection against claims arising out of performance of professional design or related services, and caused by a negligent error, omission, or act for which the insured party is legally liable. It shall be maintained throughout the duration of the Contract and for a minimum of two years after Substantial Completion. If such professional design services are performed by a Subcontractor, and not by Contractor itself, then the requirements of this paragraph may be satisfied through the purchasing and maintenance of such insurance by such Subcontractor.
- I. *General provisions*: The policies of insurance required by this Paragraph 6.03 shall:
1. include at least the specific coverages provided in this Article.
 2. be written for not less than the limits of liability provided in this Article and in the Modified General Conditions, or required by Laws or Regulations, whichever is greater:
 - a. Commercial General Liability ("CGL"): Bodily injury (including death and emotional distress) and property damage with limits of \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate. CGL shall include: (i) Premises-Operation, (ii) Explosion and Collapse Hazard, (iii) Underground Hazard, (iv) Independent Contractors' Protective, (v) Broad Form Property Damage, including Completed Operations, (vi) Contractual Liability, (vii) Products and Completed Operations, (viii) Personal/Advertising Injury, (ix) Stopgap liability with Ohio Intentional Tort endorsement for \$1,000,000 limit, and (x) per project aggregate endorsement.



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- b. Automobile Liability, covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the Work: Bodily injury (including death and emotional distress) and property damage with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 per person and \$1,000,000 each accident.
 - c. Such policies shall be supplemented by an umbrella policy, also written on an occurrence basis, to provide additional protection to provide coverage in the total amount of \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$1,000,000 aggregate for contracts with Contract Price of \$250,000 or less; \$2,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for contracts with a Contract Price greater than \$250,000 but less than or equal to \$500,000; \$3,000,000 each occurrence and \$3,000,000 aggregate for contracts with a Contract Price greater than \$500,000 but less than or equal to \$1,000,000; and \$5,000,000 each occurrence and \$5,000,000 aggregate for contracts with a Contract Price greater than \$1,000,000.
3. 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 Contractor. Within three days of receipt of any such written notice, Contractor shall provide a copy of the notice to Owner, Engineer, and each other insured under the policy.
 4. remain in effect at least until final payment (and longer if expressly required in this Article) and at all times thereafter when Contractor may be correcting, removing, or replacing defective Work as a warranty or correction obligation, or otherwise, or returning to the Site to conduct other tasks arising from the Contract Documents.
 5. be appropriate for the Work being performed and provide protection from claims that 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.
 6. include products and completed operations insurance.
 7. include contractual liability insurance covering Contractor's indemnity obligations under Paragraphs 5.02 and 7.18.
 8. with respect to products and completed operations insurance remain in effect for at least two years after final payment.
 - a. Contractor shall furnish Owner and each other additional insured identified in these Modified General 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.
- J. The coverage requirements for specific policies of insurance must be met by such policies, and not by reference to excess or umbrella insurance provided in other policies.
- K. The following provisions shall also apply to the insurance provided by the Contractor:
1. Contractor's insurance shall be primary and non-contributory.
 2. Insurance policies shall be written on an occurrence basis only.



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3. The Contractor shall require all Subcontractors to provide Workers' Compensation, CGL, and Automobile Liability Insurance with the same minimum limits specified herein, unless the Owner agrees to a lesser amount.
4. Owner shall be named as a certificate holder on the policies of insurance maintained by Contractor. The Contractor shall provide each additional insured with a certificate of insurance.
5. The additional insured endorsement shall be ISO 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01 or their equivalents so that Completed Operations liability extends to the additional insured after the completion of the Project.

6.04 *Property Insurance*

- A. *Builder's Risk*: Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall purchase and maintain builder's risk insurance upon the Work on a completed value basis, in the amount of the full insurable replacement cost thereof (subject to such deductible amounts as may be provided in the Contract Documents or required by Laws and Regulations). This insurance shall:
 1. include the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor as named insureds, and all Subcontractors, and any individuals or entities required by the Contract Documents to be insured under such builder's risk policy, as insureds or named insureds. For purposes of the remainder of this Paragraph 6.05, Paragraphs 6.06 and 6.07, and any corresponding sections in the Contract Documents, the parties required to be insured shall collectively be referred to as "insureds."
 2. be written on a builder's risk "all risk" policy form that shall at least include insurance for physical loss or damage to the Work, temporary buildings, falsework, and materials and equipment in transit, and shall insure against at least the following perils or causes of loss: fire; lightning; windstorm; riot; civil commotion; terrorism; vehicle impact; aircraft; smoke; theft; vandalism and malicious mischief; mechanical breakdown, boiler explosion, and artificially generated electric current; earthquake; volcanic activity, and other earth movement; flood; collapse; explosion; debris removal; demolition occasioned by enforcement of Laws and Regulations; water damage (other than that caused by flood); and such other perils or causes of loss as may be specifically required by the Contract Documents. If insurance against mechanical breakdown, boiler explosion, and artificially generated electric current; earthquake; volcanic activity, and other earth movement; or flood, are not commercially available under builder's risk policies, by endorsement or otherwise, such insurance may be provided through other insurance policies acceptable to Owner and Contractor.
 3. cover, as insured property, at least the following: (a) the Work and all materials, supplies, machinery, apparatus, equipment, fixtures, and other property of a similar nature that are to be incorporated into or used in the preparation, fabrication, construction, erection, or completion of the Work, including Owner-furnished or assigned property; (b) spare parts inventory required within the scope of the Contract; and (c) temporary works which are not intended to form part of the permanent constructed Work but which are intended to provide working access to the Site, or to the Work under construction, or which are intended to provide temporary support for the Work under construction, including scaffolding, form work, fences, shoring, falsework, and temporary structures.
 4. cover expenses incurred in the repair or replacement of any insured property (including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers and architects).



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5. extend to cover damage or loss to insured property while in temporary storage at the Site or in a storage location outside the Site (but not including property stored at the premises of a manufacturer or Supplier).
 6. extend to cover damage or loss to insured property while in transit.
 7. allow for partial occupation or use of the Work by Owner, such that those portions of the Work that are not yet occupied or used by Owner shall remain covered by the builder's risk insurance.
 8. allow for the waiver of the insurer's subrogation rights, as set forth below.
 9. provide primary coverage for all losses and damages caused by the perils or causes of loss covered.
 10. not include a co-insurance clause.
 11. include an exception for ensuing losses from physical damage or loss with respect to any defective workmanship, design, or materials exclusions.
 12. include performance/hot testing and start-up.
 13. be maintained in effect, subject to the provisions herein regarding Substantial Completion and partial occupancy or use of the Work by Owner, until the Work is complete.
- B. *Notice of Cancellation or Change:* All the policies of insurance (and the certificates or other evidence thereof) required to be purchased and maintained in accordance with this Paragraph 6.05 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 the purchasing policyholder. Within three days of receipt of any such written notice, the purchasing policyholder shall provide a copy of the notice to each other insured.
- C. *Deductibles:* The purchaser of any required builder's risk or property insurance shall pay for costs not covered because of the application of a policy deductible.
- D. *Partial Occupancy or Use by Owner:* If Owner will occupy or use a portion or portions of the Work prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work as provided in Paragraph 15.04, then Owner (directly, if it is the purchaser of the builder's risk policy, or through Contractor) will provide notice of such occupancy or use to the builder's risk insurer. The builder's risk insurance shall not be canceled or permitted to lapse on account of any such partial use or occupancy; rather, those portions of the Work that are occupied or used by Owner may come off the builder's risk policy, while those portions of the Work not yet occupied or used by Owner shall remain covered by the builder's risk insurance.
- E. *Additional Insurance:* If Contractor elects to obtain other special insurance to be included in or supplement the builder's risk or property insurance policies provided under this Paragraph 6.05, it may do so at Contractor's expense.
- F. *Insurance of Other Property:* If the express insurance provisions of the Contract do not require or address the insurance of a property item or interest, such as tools, construction equipment, or other personal property owned by Contractor, a Subcontractor, or an employee of Contractor or a Subcontractor, then the entity or individual owning such property item will be responsible for deciding whether to insure it, and if so in what amount.



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6.05 *Waiver of Rights*

- A. All policies purchased in accordance with Paragraph 6.05, expressly including the builder's risk policy, 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 insureds thereunder, or against Engineer or its consultants, or their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors. Owner and Contractor waive all rights against each other and the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and 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 Engineer, its consultants, all Subcontractors, all individuals or entities identified in the Modified General Conditions as insureds, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and 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 or Contractor as trustee or fiduciary, or otherwise payable under any policy so issued.
- B. Owner waives all rights against Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, 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 occupancy or use pursuant to Paragraph 15.04, after Substantial Completion pursuant to Paragraph 15.03, or after final payment pursuant to Paragraph 15.06.
- C. Any insurance policy maintained by Owner covering any loss, damage or consequential loss referred to in Paragraph 6.06.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, or the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors of each and any of them.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that the agreement under which a Subcontractor performs a portion of the Work contains provisions whereby the Subcontractor waives all rights against Owner, Contractor, all individuals or entities identified in the Modified General Conditions as insureds, the Engineer and its consultants, and the officers, directors, members, 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 builder's risk insurance and any other property insurance applicable to the Work.

6.06 *Receipt and Application of Property Insurance Proceeds*

- A. Any insured loss under the builder's risk and other policies of insurance required by Paragraph 6.05 will be adjusted and settled with the named insured that purchased the policy. Such named insured shall act as fiduciary for the other insureds, and give notice to such other insureds that adjustment



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and settlement of a claim is in progress. Any other insured may state its position regarding a claim for insured loss in writing within 15 days after notice of such claim.

- B. Proceeds for such insured losses may be made payable by the insurer either jointly to multiple insureds, or to the named insured that purchased the policy in its own right and as fiduciary for other insureds, subject to the requirements of any applicable mortgage clause. A named insured receiving insurance proceeds under the builder's risk and other policies of insurance required by Paragraph 6.05 shall distribute such proceeds in accordance with such agreement as the parties in interest may reach, or as otherwise required under the dispute resolution provisions of this Contract or applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. If no other special agreement is reached, the damaged Work shall be repaired or replaced, the money so received applied on account thereof, and the Work and the cost thereof covered by Change Order, if needed.

ARTICLE 7 – CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.01 *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.
- 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.

7.02 *Labor; Working Hours*

- A. Contractor shall provide competent, suitably qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the Site.
- 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, Monday through Friday. Contractor will not perform Work on a Saturday, Sunday, Shut Down Dates as defined in the Agreement, or any City-recognized holiday. Contractor may perform Work outside regular working hours or on Saturdays, Sundays, Shut Down Dates as defined in the Agreement, or legal holidays only with Owner's written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld. Contractor (and Subcontractor) regular working hours consist of 8 up to 10 working hours within an 11-hour period between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., on a regularly scheduled basis, excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays. Overtime work is work in excess of 40 hours per week. Contractor must receive advanced written approval from the Owner prior to performing work on weekends or City Holidays. Approval of such weekend and/or holiday work is in the Owner's sole discretion.



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7.03 *Services, Materials, and Equipment*

- A. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide and assume full responsibility for all services, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities, and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the performance, testing, start up, and completion of the Work, whether or not such items are specifically called for in the Contract Documents.
- B. All materials and equipment incorporated into the Work shall be of good quality and new, except as otherwise 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. Contractor warrants that all materials and equipment are suitable and fit for the intended use of such materials and equipment and are free from defects in material, workmanship, or design. The foregoing applies whether the materials or equipment are specified in the Contract Documents.
- 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.

7.04 *“Or Equals”*

- A. Substitutions prior to the receipt of bids shall be governed by the Instructions to Bidders. Substitutions after the entry into the Agreement shall be governed by these Modified General Conditions. Unless the specification or description contains or is followed by words reading that no like, equivalent, or “or equal” item is permitted, Contractor may request that Engineer authorize the use of other items of material or equipment, or items from other proposed suppliers under the circumstances described below.
 1. If Engineer in its sole discretion determines that an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor is functionally equal to that named and sufficiently similar so that no change in related Work will be required, Engineer shall deem it an “or equal” item. For the purposes of this paragraph, 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
 - 4) it is not objectionable to Owner.
 - 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



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- 2) it will conform substantially to the detailed requirements of the item named in the Contract Documents.
- B. *Contractor's Expense:* Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed "or equal" item at Contractor's expense.
- C. *Engineer's Evaluation and Determination:* Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time to evaluate each "or-equal" request. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed "or-equal" item. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No "or-equal" item will be ordered, furnished, installed, or utilized until Engineer's review is complete and Engineer determines that the proposed item is an "or-equal", which will be evidenced by an approved Shop Drawing or other written communication. Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.
- D. *Effect of Engineer's Determination:* Neither approval nor denial of an "or-equal" request shall result in any change in Contract Price. The Engineer's denial of an "or-equal" request shall be final and binding, and may not be reversed through an appeal under any provision of the Contract Documents.
- E. *Treatment as a Substitution Request:* If Engineer determines that an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor does not qualify as an "or-equal" item, Contractor may request that Engineer considered the proposed item as a substitute pursuant to Paragraph 7.05.

7.05 Substitutes

- A. Unless the specification or description of an item of material or equipment required to be furnished under the Contract Documents contains or is followed by words reading that no substitution is permitted, Contractor may request that Engineer authorize the use of other items of material or equipment under the circumstances described below. To the extent possible such requests shall be made before commencement of related construction at the Site.
1. Contractor shall submit sufficient information as provided below to allow Engineer to determine if the item of material or equipment proposed is functionally equivalent to that named and an acceptable substitute therefor. Engineer will not accept requests for review of proposed substitute items of material or equipment from anyone other than Contractor.
 2. The requirements for review by Engineer will be as set forth in Paragraph 7.05.B, as supplemented by the Specifications, and as Engineer may decide is appropriate under the circumstances.
 3. 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:
 - a. shall certify that the proposed substitute item will:
 - 1) perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design,
 - 2) be similar in substance to that specified, and
 - 3) be suited to the same use as that specified.
 - b. will state:
 - 1) the extent, if any, to which the use of the proposed substitute item will necessitate a change in Contract Times,



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- 2) whether use of the proposed substitute item in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner for other work on the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute item, and
 - 3) whether incorporation or use of the proposed substitute item in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty.
- c. will identify:
- 1) all variations of the proposed substitute item from that specified, and
 - 2) available engineering, sales, maintenance, repair, and replacement services.
- d. shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs or credits that will result directly or indirectly from use of such substitute item, including but not limited to changes in Contract Price, shared savings, costs of redesign, and claims of other contractors affected by any resulting change.
- B. *Engineer's Evaluation and Determination:* Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time to evaluate each substitute request, and to obtain comments and direction from Owner. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed substitute item. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No substitute will be ordered, furnished, installed, or utilized until Engineer's review is complete and Engineer determines that the proposed item is an acceptable substitute. Engineer's determination will be evidenced by a Field Order or a proposed Change Order accounting for the substitution itself and all related impacts, including changes in Contract Price or Contract Times. Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.
- C. *Special Guarantee:* Owner may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute.
- D. *Reimbursement of Engineer's Cost:* Engineer will record Engineer's costs in evaluating a substitute proposed or submitted by Contractor. Whether or not Engineer approves a substitute so proposed or submitted by Contractor, Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for evaluating each such proposed substitute. Contractor shall also reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for making changes in the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner) resulting from the acceptance of each proposed substitute.
- E. *Contractor's Expense:* Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed substitute at Contractor's expense.
- F. *Effect of Engineer's Determination:* If Engineer approves the substitution request, Contractor shall execute the proposed Change Order and proceed with the substitution. The Engineer's denial of a substitution request shall be final and binding, and may not be reversed through an appeal under any provision of the Contract Documents. Contractor may challenge the scope of reimbursement costs imposed under Paragraph 7.05.D, by timely submittal of a Change Proposal.
- 7.06 *Concerning Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Others*
- A. Contractor may retain Subcontractors and Suppliers for the performance of parts of the Work. Such Subcontractors and Suppliers must be acceptable to Owner.
 - B. Contractor shall retain specific Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities for the performance of designated parts of the Work if required by the Contract Documents to do so.



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- C. Subsequent to the submittal of Contractor's Bid or final negotiation of the terms of the Contract, Owner may not require Contractor to retain any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity to furnish or perform any of the Work against which Contractor has reasonable objection.
- D. Prior to entry into any binding subcontract or purchase order, Contractor shall submit to Owner the identity of the proposed Subcontractor or Supplier (unless Owner has already deemed such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier acceptable, during the bidding process or otherwise). Such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed acceptable to Owner unless Owner raises a substantive, reasonable objection within five days.
- E. Owner may require the replacement of any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity retained by Contractor to perform any part of the Work. Owner also may require Contractor to retain specific replacements; provided, however, that Owner may not require a replacement to which Contractor has a reasonable objection. If Contractor has submitted the identity of certain Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities for acceptance by Owner, and Owner has accepted it (either in writing or by failing to make written objection thereto), then Owner may subsequently revoke the acceptance of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity so identified solely on the basis of substantive, reasonable objection after due investigation. Contractor shall submit an acceptable replacement for the rejected Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity.
- F. If Owner requires the replacement of any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity retained by Contractor to perform any part of the Work, Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, with respect to the replacement.
- G. 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 the right of Owner to the completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- H. On a monthly basis Contractor shall submit to Engineer a complete list of all Subcontractors and Suppliers having a direct contract with Contractor, and of all other Subcontractors and Suppliers known to Contractor at the time of submittal.
- I. 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.
- J. Contractor shall be solely responsible for scheduling and coordinating the work of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and all other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work.
- K. Contractor shall restrict all Subcontractors, Suppliers, and such other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work from communicating with Engineer or Owner, except through Contractor or in case of an emergency, or as otherwise expressly allowed herein.
- L. 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.
- M. All Work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be pursuant to an appropriate contractual agreement that specifically binds the Subcontractor or Supplier to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of Owner and Engineer.



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- N. Owner may furnish to any Subcontractor or Supplier, to the extent practicable, information about amounts paid to Contractor on account of Work performed for Contractor by the particular Subcontractor or Supplier.
- O. 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 create any obligation on the part of Owner or Engineer to pay or to see to the payment of any money due any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity except as may otherwise be required by Laws and Regulations.

7.07 *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, members, 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 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.

7.08 *Permits*

- A. Responsibility for permits will be established by the Instructions to Bidders.
- B. A copy of each permit obtained by Owner is available at Owner's office. Contractor shall examine the permits and conform to the requirements contained therein, and such requirements are hereby made part of these Contract Documents as though the same were set forth herein. Failure to examine the permit(s) will not relieve Contractor from compliance with the requirements stated therein.

7.09 *Taxes*

- 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.
- B. Materials purchased for use or consumption in connection with the proposed Work will be exempt from the State of Ohio Sales Tax, as provided in Section 5739.02 of the Ohio Revised Code, and also



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from the State of Ohio Use Tax, as provided in Section 5741.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. A Construction Tax Exempt Certificate is included with the Bid Documents.

- C. Purchases by the Contractor of expendable items, such as form lumber, tools, oil, greases, fuel, or equipment rentals, are subject to the application of Ohio Sales or Use Taxes.
- D. Contractor shall withhold any income taxes due to the Owner for wages, salaries, and commissions paid to its employees for work done under this Agreement and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall, by the terms of its subcontract, be required to withhold any such income taxes due for work performed under this Agreement.

7.10 *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 or takes any other action knowing or having reason to know that it is contrary to Laws or Regulations, Contractor shall bear all resulting costs and losses, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, 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 such Work or other action. It shall not be Contractor's responsibility to make certain that the Work described in the Contract Documents is in accordance with Laws and Regulations, but this shall not relieve Contractor of Contractor's obligations under Paragraph 3.03.
- C. Owner or Contractor may give notice to the other party of any changes after the submission of Contractor's Bid (or after the date when Contractor became bound under a negotiated contract) in Laws or Regulations having an effect on the cost or time of performance of the Work, including but not limited to changes in Laws or Regulations having an effect on procuring permits and on sales, use, value-added, consumption, and other similar taxes. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times resulting from such changes, then within 30 days of such notice Contractor may submit a Change Proposal.
- D. Prevailing Wage Rates. If indicated in the Agreement or Instructions to Bidders, each laborer, worker, or mechanic employed by Contractor, Subcontractor, or other persons performing Work on the Project shall be paid not less than the applicable prevailing rate of wages pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4115.

7.11 *Record Documents*

- A. Contractor shall maintain in a safe place at the Site two printed record copies of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, written interpretations and clarifications, and approved Shop Drawings. Contractor shall keep such record documents in good order and annotate them to show changes made during construction. These record documents, together with all approved Samples, will be available to Engineer for reference. The Contractor shall deliver these record documents, samples, and shop drawings to the Engineer,



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no later than the date for Substantial Completion, for the Engineer's review and transmittal to the Owner.

7.12 *Safety and Protection*

- A. Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Such responsibility does not relieve Subcontractors of their responsibility for the safety of persons or property in the performance of their work, nor for compliance with applicable safety Laws and Regulations. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:
 - 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, other work in progress, utilities, and Underground Facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.
- B. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Laws and Regulations relating to the safety of persons or property, or to the protection of persons or property from damage, injury, or loss; and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall notify Owner; the owners of adjacent property, Underground Facilities, and other utilities; and other contractors and utility owners performing work at or adjacent to the Site, when prosecution of the Work may affect them, and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation, and replacement of their property or work in progress.
- C. Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of Owner's safety programs, if any. The Contract Documents identify any Owner's safety programs that are applicable to the Work.
- D. Contractor shall inform Owner and Engineer of the specific requirements of Contractor's safety program with which Owner's and Engineer's employees and representatives must comply while at the Site.
- E. All damage, injury, or loss to any property referred to in Paragraph 7.12.A.2 or 7.12.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 at its expense (except damage or loss attributable to the fault of Drawings or Specifications or to the acts or omissions of Owner or Engineer 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).
- F. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection 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 15.06.B that the Work is acceptable (except as otherwise expressly provided in connection with Substantial Completion).



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- G. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection shall resume whenever Contractor or any Subcontractor or Supplier returns to the Site to fulfill warranty or correction obligations, or to conduct other tasks arising from the Contract Documents.

7.13 *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.
- B. Contractor shall keep at the Site at all times during the progress of the Work as required by law a competent person to comply with OSHA trenching and excavation requirements. The competent person shall be one who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surrounding, or working conditions that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

7.14 *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.

7.15 *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.

7.16 *Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals*

A. *Shop Drawing and Sample Submittal Requirements:*

1. Before submitting a Shop Drawing or Sample, Contractor shall have:
 - a. reviewed and coordinated the Shop Drawing or Sample with other Shop Drawings and Samples and with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents;
 - b. determined and verified all field measurements, quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information with respect thereto;
 - c. determined and verified the suitability of all materials and equipment offered with respect to the indicated application, fabrication, shipping, handling, storage, assembly, and installation pertaining to the performance of the Work; and
 - d. determined and verified all information relative to Contractor's responsibilities for means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto.



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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 of that submittal, and that Contractor approves the 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 set forth in a written communication separate from the Shop Drawings or Sample submittal; and, in addition, in the case of Shop Drawings by a specific notation made on each Shop Drawing submitted to Engineer for review and approval of each such variation.
- B. *Submittal Procedures for Shop Drawings and Samples:* Contractor shall submit Shop Drawings and Samples to Engineer for review and approval in accordance with the accepted Schedule of Submittals. Each submittal will be identified as Engineer may require.
1. *Shop Drawings:*
 - a. Contractor shall submit the number of copies required in the Specifications.
 - 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 7.16.D.
 2. *Samples:*
 - a. Contractor shall submit the number of Samples required in the Specifications.
 - b. Contractor shall 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 7.16.D.
 3. 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. *Other Submittals:* Contractor shall submit other submittals to Engineer in accordance with the accepted Schedule of Submittals, and pursuant to the applicable terms of the Specifications.
- 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 or to safety precautions or programs incident thereto.
 3. Engineer's review and approval of a separate item as such will not indicate approval of the assembly in which the item functions.



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4. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample 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 7.16.A.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 will document any such approved variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents in a Field Order.
5. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample shall not relieve Contractor from responsibility for complying with the requirements of Paragraph 7.16.A and B.
6. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample, or of a variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents, shall not, under any circumstances, change the Contract Times or Contract Price, unless such changes are included in a Change Order.
7. Neither Engineer's receipt, review, acceptance or approval of a Shop Drawing, Sample, or other submittal shall result in such item becoming a Contract Document.
8. Contractor shall perform the Work in compliance with the requirements and commitments set forth in approved Shop Drawings and Samples, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 7.16.D.4.

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.
2. Contractor shall furnish required submittals with sufficient information and accuracy to obtain required approval of an item with no more than the number of submittal reviews specified in Paragraph 15.01.E.4 of these Modified General Conditions. Engineer will record Engineer's time for reviewing a subsequent submittal of a Shop Drawings, sample, or other item requiring approval, and Contractor shall be responsible for Engineer's charges to Owner for such time in accordance with Paragraph 15.01.E.4. Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges.
3. If Contractor requests a change of a previously approved submittal item, Contractor shall be responsible for Engineer's charges to Owner for its review time, and Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges, unless the need for such change is beyond the control of Contractor.

7.17 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 officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors shall be entitled to rely on 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



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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;
 6. the issuance of a notice of acceptability by Engineer;
 7. any inspection, test, or approval by others; or
 8. any correction of defective Work by Owner.
- D. If the Contract requires the Contractor to accept the assignment of a contract entered into by Owner, then the specific warranties, guarantees, and correction obligations contained in the assigned contract shall govern with respect to Contractor's performance obligations to Owner for the Work described in the assigned contract.
- E. Upon final payment, the Contractor must assign and transfer to Owner all guarantees, warranties, and agreements from and with all contractors, subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, and manufacturers regarding their performance, quality of workmanship, or quality of materials supplied in connection with the work. Contractor represents and warrants that all such guarantees, warranties, and agreements will be in place and enforceable by the Owner in accordance with their terms. The Owner, however, will not assume through any assignment or transfer required under this subparagraph any of the Contractor's payment obligations to any entities.

7.18 *Indemnification*

- A. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, and in addition to any other obligations of Contractor under the Contract or otherwise, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims (whether alleged or proven), demands, 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 or any breach of Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the breach of any warranty provided in the Contract Documents.
- B. In any and all claims against Owner or Engineer or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors 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



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whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Paragraph 7.18.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.

7.19 *Delegation of Professional Design Services*

- A. Contractor will not be required to provide professional design services unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless such services are required to carry out Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures. Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable Laws and Regulations.
- B. If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials, or equipment are specifically required of Contractor by the Contract Documents, 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, 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, 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 7.16.D.1.
- E. Contractor shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria specified by Owner or Engineer.

ARTICLE 8 – OTHER WORK AT THE SITE

8.01 *Other Work*

- A. In addition to and apart from the Work under the Contract Documents, the Owner may perform other work at or adjacent to the Site. Such other work may be performed by Owner's employees, or through contracts between the Owner and third parties. Owner may also arrange to have third-party utility owners perform work on their utilities and facilities at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. If Owner performs other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, or through contracts for such other work, then Owner shall give Contractor written notice thereof prior to starting any such other work. If Owner has advance information regarding the start of any utility work at or adjacent to the Site, Owner shall provide such information to Contractor.



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- C. Contractor shall afford each other contractor that performs such other work, each utility owner performing other work, and Owner, if Owner is performing other work with Owner's employees, proper and safe access to the Site, and provide a reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of such other work. 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 such work; provided, however, that Contractor may cut or alter others' work with the written consent of Engineer and the others whose work will be affected.
- D. If the proper execution or results of any part of Contractor's Work depends upon work performed by others under this Article 8, 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.

8.02 *Coordination*

- A. If Owner intends to contract with others for the performance of other work at or adjacent to the Site, to perform other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, or to arrange to have utility owners perform work at or adjacent to the Site, the Owner will provide for the coordination of the work at the Site in the Contract Documents.

8.03 *Legal Relationships*

- A. Contractor shall take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damaging, delaying, disrupting, or interfering with the work of Owner, any other contractor, or any utility owner performing other work at or adjacent to the Site. If Contractor fails to take such measures and as a result damages, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the work of any such other contractor or utility owner, then Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor, and assign to such other contractor or utility owner the Owner's contractual rights against Contractor with respect to the breach of the obligations set forth in this paragraph.
- B. When Owner is performing other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, Contractor shall be liable to Owner for damage to such other work, and for the reasonable direct delay, disruption, and interference costs incurred by Owner as a result of Contractor's failure to take reasonable and customary measures with respect to Owner's other work. In response to such damage, delay, disruption, or interference, Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor.
- C. If Contractor damages, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the work of any other contractor, or any utility owner performing other work at or adjacent to the Site, through Contractor's failure to take reasonable and customary measures to avoid such impacts, or if any claim arising out of Contractor's actions, inactions, or negligence in performance of the Work at or adjacent to the Site is made by any such other contractor or utility owner against Contractor, Owner, or Engineer, then Contractor shall (1) promptly attempt to settle the claim as to all parties through negotiations with such other contractor or utility owner, or otherwise resolve the claim by arbitration or other dispute resolution proceeding or at law, and (2) indemnify Owner and Engineer as required under Paragraph 7.18.



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ARTICLE 9 – OWNER’S RESPONSIBILITIES

9.01 *Communications to Contractor*

- A. Except as otherwise provided in these Modified General Conditions, Owner shall issue all communications to Contractor through Engineer or the Resident Project Representative.

9.02 *Replacement of Engineer*

- A. Owner may at its discretion appoint an engineer to replace Engineer. The replacement engineer’s status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Engineer.

9.03 *Furnish Data*

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

9.04 *Pay When Due*

- A. Owner shall make payments to Contractor when they are due as provided in the Agreement.

9.05 *Lands and Easements; Reports, Tests, and Drawings*

- A. Owner’s duties with respect to providing lands and easements are set forth in Paragraph 5.01.
- B. Owner’s duties with respect to providing engineering surveys to establish reference points are set forth in Paragraph 4.03.
- C. Article 5 refers to Owner’s identifying and making available to Contractor copies of reports of explorations and tests of conditions at the Site, and drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site.

9.06 *Insurance*

- A. Owner’s responsibilities, if any, with respect to purchasing and maintaining liability and property insurance are set forth in Article 6.

9.07 *Change Orders*

- A. Owner’s responsibilities with respect to Change Orders are set forth in Article 11.

9.08 *Inspections, Tests, and Approvals*

- A. Owner’s responsibility with respect to certain inspections, tests, and approvals is set forth in Paragraph 14.02.B.

9.09 *Limitations on Owner’s Responsibilities*

- 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.

9.10 *Undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition*

- A. Owner’s responsibility in respect to an undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition is set forth in Paragraph 5.06.



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9.11 *Evidence of Financial Arrangements*

- A. Upon request of Contractor, Owner shall furnish Contractor reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to satisfy Owner's obligations under the Contract Documents (including obligations under proposed changes in the Work).

9.12 *Safety Programs*

- A. While at the Site, Owner's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable requirements of Contractor's safety programs of which Owner has been informed.
- B. Owner shall furnish copies of any applicable Owner safety programs to Contractor.

ARTICLE 10 – ENGINEER'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

10.01 *Owner's Representative*

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

10.02 *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 10.08. 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.

10.03 *Project Representative*

- A. Owner may furnish a Resident Project Representative to assist Engineer at the Site, assist Engineer in providing more extensive observation of the progress and quality of the Work, and assist in carrying out the Engineer's other responsibilities under the Contract Documents and its agreement with the Owner



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- B. The duties and responsibilities of the Resident Project Representative may include, but not be limited to, the following:
1. Review schedules and amendment thereto.
 2. Attend conferences and meetings with Contractor.
 3. Serve as liaison between Owner, Engineer, and Contractor.
 4. Conduct on-site observation of the work.
 5. Observe tests, equipment, and system startups.
 6. Report to Engineer and Owner when clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents are needed. Consider, evaluate, and report to Engineer and Owner, Contractor's requests for modification.
 7. Maintain orderly records, keep a daily log (when on a part-time basis, keep log for days visiting site).
 8. Before project completion, prepare final list of items to be completed or corrected and make recommendations to Owner concerning acceptance of the Work.
 9. Review Payment Applications from Contractor.
- C. The Resident Project Representative shall not:
1. Authorize any deviation from the Contract Documents or substitutions of materials or equipment, unless authorized by Owner.
 2. Undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractor, or Contractor's superintendent.
 3. Advise on, issue directions relative to, or assume control over any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction.
 4. Advise on, issue directions regarding, or assume control over safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.
 5. Accept shop drawing or sample submittals from anyone other than Contractor.
 6. Exceed limitations of Engineer's authority as set forth in the Contract Documents.
 7. Authorize Owner to occupy the Project in whole or in part.
 8. Participate in specialized field or laboratory tests or inspections conducted by others except as specifically authorized by Engineer.

10.04 *Rejecting Defective Work*

- A. Owner has the authority to reject Work in accordance with Article 14.

10.05 *Shop Drawings, Change Orders and Payments*

- A. Engineer's authority, and limitations thereof, as to Shop Drawings and Samples, are set forth in Paragraph 7.16.



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- B. 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, are set forth in Paragraph 7.19.
- C. Engineer's authority as to Change Orders is set forth in Article 11.
- D. Engineer's authority as to Applications for Payment is set forth in Article 15.

10.06 *Determinations for Unit Price Work*

- A. Engineer will determine the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor as set forth in Paragraph 13.03.
- B. Unit Price Work for which a typical cross section or other detail from the Contract Documents applies shall be paid only up to the quantity determined by using the dimensions provided in the typical cross section or other detail. By way of example, this provision means that if a typical trench width detail in the Drawings shows a maximum width of 30 inches, all pay quantities associated with the actual work of constructing the detail shall be calculated using a trench width not greater than 30 inches. This means that the actual pay quantity could also be less than that based upon a 30 inch wide trench, if the actual trench width is smaller and otherwise in conformance with the Contract Documents, but the Contractor would not be paid more if the actual trench width exceeds 30 inches. Contractor is responsible for determining what actual trench width may be required due to field conditions and applicable laws and regulations existing at the time of its bid.

10.07 *Decisions on Requirements of Contract Documents and Acceptability of Work*

- A. Engineer will render decisions regarding the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge the acceptability of the Work, pursuant to the specific procedures set forth herein for initial interpretations, Change Proposals, and acceptance of the Work. In rendering such decisions and judgments, Engineer will not show partiality to Owner or Contractor, and will not be liable to Owner, Contractor, or others in connection with any proceedings, interpretations, decisions, or judgments conducted or rendered in good faith.

10.08 *Limitations on Engineer's Authority and Responsibilities*

- A. Neither Engineer's authority or responsibility under this Article 10 or under any other provision of the Contract, 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.



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- 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 15.06.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 10.08 shall also apply to the Resident Project Representative, if any.

10.09 *Compliance with Safety Program*

- A. While at the Site, Engineer's employees and representatives will comply with the specific applicable requirements of Owner's and Contractor's safety programs (if any) of which Engineer has been informed.

ARTICLE 11 – AMENDING THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS; CHANGES IN THE WORK

11.01 *Amending and Supplementing Contract Documents*

- A. The Contract Documents may be amended or supplemented by a Change Order, a Work Change Directive, or a Field Order.
 - 1. *Change Orders:*
 - a. If an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents includes a change in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, such amendment or supplement must be set forth in a Change Order. A Change Order also may be used to establish amendments and supplements of the Contract Documents that do not affect the Contract Price or Contract Times.
 - 2. *Work Change Directives:* A Work Change Directive will not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times but is evidence that the parties expect that the modification ordered or documented by a Work Change Directive will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order, following negotiations by the parties as to the Work Change Directive's effect, if any, on the Contract Price and Contract Times; or, if negotiations are unsuccessful, by a determination under the terms of the Contract Documents governing adjustments, expressly including Paragraph 11.04 regarding change of Contract Price. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after the completion of the Work set out in the Work Change Directive.
 - 3. *Field Orders:* Engineer may authorize minor changes in the Work if the changes do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times and are compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. Such changes will be accomplished by a Field Order and will be binding on Owner and also on Contractor, which shall perform the Work involved promptly. If Contractor believes that a Field Order justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then before proceeding with the Work at issue, Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal as provided herein.



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11.02 *Owner-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. Such changes shall be supported by Engineer's recommendation, to the extent the change involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters. Such changes may be accomplished by a Change Order, if Owner and Contractor have agreed as to the effect, if any, of the changes on Contract Times or Contract Price; or by a Work Change Directive. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall promptly proceed with the Work involved; or, in the case of a deletion in the Work, promptly cease construction activities with respect to such deleted Work. Added or revised Work shall be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents. Nothing in this paragraph shall obligate Contractor to undertake work that Contractor reasonably concludes cannot be performed in a manner consistent with Contractor's safety obligations under the Contract Documents or Laws and Regulations. The agreement on any Change Order shall constitute a final settlement of all matters relating to the change in the Work that is the subject of the Change Order, including but not limited to, all direct, indirect, and cumulative costs associated with such change and any and all adjustments to the Contract Sum and the Date for Substantial Completion.
- 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 Work Change Directive, a Claim may be made therefor as provided in Article 12.

11.03 *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, except in the case of an emergency as provided in Paragraph 7.15 or in the case of uncovering Work as provided in Paragraph 14.05.

11.04 *Change of Contract Price*

- A. The Contract Price may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Price shall comply with the provisions of Paragraph 11.06. Any Claim for an adjustment of Contract Price shall comply with the provisions of Article 12.
- B. 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 13.03); or]
 2. where the parties do reach a mutual agreement to a lump sum, then by that mutually agreed lump sum (which may include an allowance for overhead and profit not necessarily in accordance with Paragraph 11.04.C.2); or
 3. where the parties do not reach mutual agreement to a lump sum, then on the basis of the Cost of the Work (determined as provided in Paragraph 13.01) plus a Contractor's fee for overhead and profit (determined as provided in Paragraph 11.04.C).



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- C. *Contractor's Fee*: When applicable, the Contractor's fee for overhead and profit shall be determined as follows, and is the maximum total allowable amount:
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 13.01.B.1 and 13.01.B.2, the Contractor's fee shall be 15 percent;
 - b. for costs incurred under Paragraph 13.01.B.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 Paragraphs 11.01.C.2.a and 11.01.C.2.b is that the Contractor's fee shall be based on: (1) a fee of 15 percent of the costs incurred under Paragraphs 13.01.A.1 and 13.01.A.2 by the Subcontractor that actually performs the Work, at whatever tier, and (2) with respect to Contractor itself and to any Subcontractors of a tier higher than that of the Subcontractor that actually performs the Work, a fee of five percent of the amount (fee plus underlying costs incurred) attributable to the next lower tier Subcontractor; provided, however, that for any such subcontracted work the maximum total fee to be paid by Owner shall be no greater than 27 percent of the costs incurred by the Subcontractor that actually performs the work;
 - d. no fee shall be payable on the basis of costs itemized under Paragraphs 13.01.B.4, 13.01.B.5, and 13.01.C;
 - 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 11.04.C.2.a through 11.04.C.2.e, inclusive.

11.05 *Change of Contract Times*

- A. The Contract Times may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Times shall comply with the provisions of Paragraph 11.06. Any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Times shall comply with the provisions of Article 12.
- B. An adjustment of the Contract Times shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Paragraph 4.05, concerning delays in Contractor's progress.

11.06 *Change Proposals*

- A. Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal to Engineer to request an adjustment in the Contract Times or Contract Price; appeal an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents; contest a set-off against payment due; or seek other relief under the Contract. The Change Proposal shall specify any proposed change in Contract Times or Contract Price, or both, or other proposed relief, and explain the reason for the proposed change, with citations to any governing or applicable provisions of the Contract Documents.



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1. *Procedures:* Contractor shall submit each Change Proposal to Engineer promptly (but in no event later than 30 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto, or after such initial decision. The Contractor shall submit supporting data, including the proposed change in Contract Price or Contract Time (if any), to the Engineer and Owner within 15 days after the submittal of the Change Proposal. The supporting data shall be accompanied by a written statement that the supporting data are accurate and complete, and that any requested time or price adjustment is the entire adjustment to which Contractor believes it is entitled as a result of said event. Engineer will advise Owner regarding the Change Proposal, and consider any comments or response from Owner regarding the Change Proposal.
 2. *Engineer's Action:* Engineer will review each Change Proposal and, within 30 days after receipt of the Contractor's supporting data, either deny the Change Proposal in whole, approve it in whole, or deny it in part and approve it in part. Such actions shall be in writing, with a copy provided to Owner and Contractor. If Engineer does not take action on the Change Proposal within 30 days, then either Owner or Contractor may at any time thereafter submit a letter to the other party indicating that as a result of Engineer's inaction the Change Proposal is deemed denied, thereby commencing the time for appeal of the denial under Article 12.
 3. *Binding Decision:* Engineer's decision will be final and binding upon Owner and Contractor, unless Owner or Contractor appeals the decision by filing a Claim under Article 12.
- B. *Resolution of Certain Change Proposals:* If the Change Proposal does not involve the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), the acceptability of the Work, or other engineering or technical matters, then Engineer will notify the parties that the Engineer is unable to resolve the Change Proposal. For purposes of further resolution of such a Change Proposal, such notice shall be deemed a denial, and Contractor may choose to seek resolution under the terms of Article 12.
- 11.07 *Execution of Change Orders*
- A. Owner and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders covering:
1. 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;
 2. changes in Contract Price resulting from an Owner set-off, unless Contractor has duly contested such set-off;
 3. changes in the Work which are: (a) ordered by Owner pursuant to Paragraph 11.02, (b) required because of Owner's acceptance of defective Work under Paragraph 14.04 or Owner's correction of defective Work under Paragraph 14.07, or (c) agreed to by the parties, subject to the need for Engineer's recommendation if the change in the Work involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters; and
 4. changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or other changes, which embody the substance of any final and binding results under Paragraph 11.06, or Article 12.
- B. If Owner or Contractor refuses to execute a Change Order that is required to be executed under the terms of this Paragraph 11.07, it shall be deemed to be of full force and effect, as if fully executed.



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11.08 *Notification to Surety*

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

ARTICLE 12 – CLAIMS

12.01 *Claims*

- A. *Claims Process:* The following disputes between Owner and Contractor shall be submitted to the Claims process set forth in this Article:
 1. Appeals by Contractor of Engineer's decisions regarding Change Proposals;
 2. Disputes that Engineer has been unable to address because they do not involve the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), the acceptability of the Work, or other engineering or technical matters.
- B. *Submittal of Claim:* As a condition precedent to a change in the Contract Price or the Contract Terms, for each Claim the Contractor shall deliver a fully completed Statement of Claim Form, a copy of which form is a Contract Document, to the Engineer and the Owner, within 21 days of the start of the underlying cause of the Claim. The Contractor shall be responsible for substantiating its Claim. The Contractor's failure to deliver a fully completed Statement of Claim form shall be an irrevocable waiver of Contractor's right to any form of additional compensation, be it in time or money, arising out of the Claim or the circumstances underlying the Claim. Further, Contractor's obligation to deliver a fully completed Statement of Claim form within such 21 day period is a material term of the Contract Documents and provides the Owner with the opportunity to mitigate its damages.
- C. *Review and Resolution:* Engineer will review each Claim and, within 45 days after receipt of the Statement of Claim Form, 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. In the event the Engineer does not take action on a Claim within said 45 days, the Claim shall be denied.
- D. *Final and Binding Results:* Engineer's written action under Paragraph 12.01.C or denial pursuant to Paragraphs 12.01.C.3 or 12.01.D will be final and binding upon Owner and Contractor, unless Owner or Contractor invokes the dispute resolution procedures set forth in Article 17.
- E. *False or Fraudulent Claim.* The Contractor shall not knowingly present or cause to be presented to the Owner a false or fraudulent Claim. Knowingly shall have the same meaning as in Section 3729(b) USC of the Federal False Claims Act. If the Contractor knowingly presents or causes to be presented a false or fraudulent Claim, then the Contractor shall be liable to the Owner for the same civil penalty



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and damages as the United States Government would be entitled to recover under such Section 3729(a) USC and shall also indemnify and hold the Owner harmless from all costs and expenses, including Owner's attorneys' and consultants' fees and expenses incurred in investigating and defending against such Claim and in pursuing the collection of such penalty, damages, and fees and expenses.

- F. *Claim Documentation.* Within ten (10) days of written request from the Owner, Contractor shall make available to Owner or its representative any books, records, or other documents in its possession or to which it has access, including but not limited to Contractor's daily logs/reports, original estimates of Work and applicable agreements, correspondence with subcontractors and suppliers, internal correspondence (including e-mail), accounting records, and other information from which the Contractor's records, and other information from which the Contractor's costs may be derived. To the extent permitted by law, the Owner shall keep the Project accounting records and estimate for the Project confidential. As requested by the Owner, the Contractor shall provide such documents and information in paper copies and/or computer format (including the format of the Contractor's accounting software and/or ASCII format). The Contractor's provision of the requested documents and information shall be a condition precedent to any further proceeding under the Contract Documents or to payment of an Application for Payment.
- G. Failure to provide the requested documents shall be a material breach of the Contract, and Contractor shall indemnify Owner for all of Owner's 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 Contractor's failure to comply with this provision. If the Contractor fails to provide the requested documents, the Contractor shall be precluded from presenting such documents in any subsequent dispute resolution proceedings, if the data was reasonably available at the time of the request.

ARTICLE 13 – COST OF THE WORK; ALLOWANCES

13.01 *Cost of the Work*

- A. *Purposes for Determination of Cost of the Work:* The term Cost of the Work means the sum of all costs necessary for the proper performance of the Work at issue, as further defined below. The provisions of this Paragraph 13.01 are used for two distinct purposes:
1. To determine Cost of the Work when Cost of the Work is a component of the Contract Price, under cost-plus-fee, time-and-materials, or other cost-based terms; or
 2. To determine the value of a Change Order, Change Proposal, Claim, set-off, or other adjustment in Contract Price. When the value of any such adjustment is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, Contractor is entitled only to those additional or incremental costs required because of the change in the Work or because of the event giving rise to the adjustment.
- B. *Costs Included:* Except as otherwise may be agreed to in writing by Owner, costs included in the Cost of the Work shall be in amounts no higher than those prevailing in the locality of the Project, shall not include any of the costs itemized in Paragraph 13.01.C, and shall include only the following items:
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



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shall include, without limitation, superintendents, foremen, and other personnel employed full time on the Work. Payroll costs for employees not employed full time on the Work shall be apportioned on the basis of their time spent on the Work. Payroll costs shall include, but not be limited to, salaries and wages plus the cost of fringe benefits, which shall include social security contributions, unemployment, excise, and payroll taxes, workers' compensation, health and retirement benefits, bonuses, sick leave, and 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 13.01.
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. Construction Equipment and Machinery
 - 1) Rentals of all construction equipment and machinery, and the parts thereof 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.
 - 2) Costs for equipment and machinery owned by Contractor and used on the Work will be paid at a rate shown for such equipment in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Distributors' rental rate manual. An hourly rate will be computed by dividing the monthly rates by 176. These computed rates will include all operating costs. Costs will include the



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time the equipment or machinery is in use on the changed Work and the costs of transportation, loading, unloading, assembly, dismantling, and removal when directly attributable to the changed Work. The cost of any such equipment or machinery, or parts thereof, shall cease to accrue when the use thereof is no longer necessary for the changed Work. Equipment or machinery with a value of less than \$1,000 will be considered small tools. Costs for equipment and machinery owned by Contractor for which Contractor is seeking monetary compensation due to the equipment and machinery being idled through no cause of Contractor will be paid at half of the Associated Equipment Distributors' rate.

- d. Sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes related to the Work, and for which Contractor is liable, as imposed by Laws and Regulations.
- e. Fees for permits and licenses.
- f. 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.
- g. Losses and damages (and related expenses) caused by damage to the Work, not compensated by insurance or otherwise, sustained by Contractor in connection with the performance of the Work (except losses and damages within the deductible amounts of property insurance established in accordance with Paragraph 6.05), 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.
- h. The cost of utilities, fuel, and sanitary facilities at the Site.
- i. Minor expenses such as communication service at the Site, express and courier services, and similar petty cash items in connection with the Work.
- j. The portion of the costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance that Contractor is required by the Contract Documents to purchase and maintain, that can be attributed to this Contract.

C. *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, expeditors, timekeepers, clerks, and other personnel employed by Contractor, whether at the Site or in Contractor's principal or branch office for general administration of the Work and not specifically included in the agreed upon schedule of job classifications referred to in Paragraph 13.01.B.1 or specifically covered by Paragraph 13.01.B.4. The payroll costs and other compensation excluded here 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.



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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 Paragraph 13.01.B.
- D. *Contractor's Fee:* When the Work as a whole 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, Change Proposal, Claim, set-off, or other 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 11.04.C.
- E. *Documentation:* Whenever the Cost of the Work for any purpose is to be determined pursuant to this Article 13, 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.

13.02 Allowances

- A. It is understood that Contractor has included in the Contract Price all allowances so named in the Contract Documents and shall cause the Work so covered to be performed for such sums and by such persons or entities as may be acceptable to Owner and Engineer.
- B. *Cash Allowances:* Contractor agrees that:
1. 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
 2. Contractor's costs for unloading and handling on the Site, labor, installation, overhead, profit, and other expenses contemplated for the cash allowances have been included in the Contract Price and not in the allowances, and no demand for additional payment on account of any of the foregoing will be valid.
- C. *Contingency Allowance:* Contractor agrees that a contingency allowance, if any, is for the sole use of Owner to cover unanticipated costs.
- D. Prior to final payment, an appropriate Change Order will be issued 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.

13.03 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. Payments to Contractor for Unit Price Work will be based on actual quantities.



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- 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. 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 the following paragraph.
- E. Within 30 days of Engineer's written decision under the preceding paragraph, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or Owner may file a Claim, seeking an adjustment in the Contract Price 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;
 - 2. there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and
 - 3. Contractor believes that it 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 14 – TESTS AND INSPECTIONS; CORRECTION, REMOVAL OR ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE WORK

14.01 *Access to Work*

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

14.02 *Tests, Inspections, and Approvals*

- A. All Work is subject to testing to indicate compliance with Contract Document requirements. Duplicate copies of test results required shall be submitted to Engineer. Testing laboratories used by Contractor are subject to the approval of Owner. Tests and inspection of work may be conducted by Owner or an independent laboratory employed by Owner. Tests may also be performed in the field by Engineer as a basis for acceptance of the Work. Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work (or specific parts thereof) for all required inspections and tests, and shall cooperate with inspection and testing personnel to facilitate required inspections and tests. Samples required for testing shall be furnished by Contractor at no cost to Owner. In the event that completed Work does not conform to specification requirements during the initial test, the Work shall be corrected and retested for conformance. The entire cost of retesting completed Work shall be borne by Contractor. This shall include the extra cost for inspection to Owner which will be deducted from the final amount due Contractor.
- B. Owner shall retain and pay for the services of an independent inspector, testing laboratory, or other qualified individual or entity to perform all inspections and tests expressly required by the Contract



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Documents to be furnished and paid for by Owner, except that costs incurred in connection with tests or inspections of covered Work shall be governed by the provisions of Paragraph 14.05.

- C. If Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction require any Work (or part thereof) specifically to be inspected, tested, or approved by an employee or other representative of such public body, Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such inspections, tests, or approvals, pay all costs in connection therewith, and furnish Engineer the required certificates of inspection or approval.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for arranging, obtaining, and paying for all inspections and tests required:
 - 1. by the Contract Documents, unless the Contract Documents expressly allocate responsibility for a specific inspection or test to Owner;
 - 2. to attain Owner's and Engineer's acceptance of materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work;
 - 3. by manufacturers of equipment furnished under the Contract Documents;
 - 4. for testing, adjusting, and balancing of mechanical, electrical, and other equipment to be incorporated into the Work; and
 - 5. for acceptance of materials, mix designs, or equipment submitted for approval prior to Contractor's purchase thereof for incorporation in the Work.

Such inspections and tests shall be performed by independent inspectors, testing laboratories, or other qualified individuals or entities acceptable to Owner and Engineer. Tests required by the Contract Documents to be performed by Contractor that require test certificates to be submitted to Owner and Engineer for acceptance shall be made by an independent testing laboratory or agency licensed or certified in accordance with Laws and Regulations and applicable state and local statutes. In the event state license or certification is not required, testing laboratories or agencies shall meet the following applicable requirements:

- a. "Recommended Requirements for Independent Laboratory Qualification," published by the American Council of Independent Laboratories.
 - b. Basic requirements of ASTM E329, "Standard Specification for Agencies Engaged in the Testing and/or Inspection of Materials used in Construction" as applicable.
 - c. Calibrate testing equipment at reasonable intervals by devices of accuracy traceable to either the National Institute of Standards and Technology or accepted values of natural physical constants.
- E. If the Contract Documents require the Work (or part thereof) to be approved by Owner, Engineer, or another designated individual or entity, then Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such approvals.
 - F. If any Work (or the work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered by Contractor without written concurrence of Owner or Engineer, Contractor shall, if requested by Owner or Engineer, uncover such Work for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor had given Owner and Engineer timely notice of Contractor's intention to



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cover the same and Owner and Engineer had not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice.

14.03 *Defective Work*

- A. *Contractor's Obligation:* It is Contractor's obligation to assure that the Work is not defective.
- B. *Engineer's Authority:* Engineer has the authority to determine whether Work is defective, and to reject defective Work.
- C. *Notice of Defects:* Prompt notice of all defective Work of which Owner or Engineer has actual knowledge will be given to Contractor.
- D. *Correction, or Removal and Replacement:* Promptly after receipt of written notice of defective Work and so as not to delay the Project, Contractor shall correct all such defective Work, whether or not fabricated, installed, or completed, or, if Owner or Engineer has rejected the defective Work, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective.
- E. *Preservation of Warranties:* When correcting defective Work, Contractor shall take no action that would void or otherwise impair Owner's special warranty and guarantee, if any, on said Work.
- F. *Costs and Damages:* In addition to its correction, removal, and replacement obligations with respect to defective Work, Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to defective Work, including but not limited to the cost of the inspection, testing, correction, removal, replacement, or reconstruction of such defective Work, fines levied against Owner by governmental authorities because the Work is defective, and the costs of repair or replacement of work of others resulting from defective Work. Prior to final payment, if Owner and Contractor are unable to agree as to the measure of such claims, costs, losses, and damages resulting from defective Work, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.

14.04 *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 for 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, the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents with respect to the Work shall be incorporated in a Change Order. If the parties are unable to agree as to the decrease in the Contract Price, reflecting the diminished value of Work so accepted, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15. If the acceptance of defective Work occurs after final payment, Contractor shall pay an appropriate amount to Owner.

14.05 *Uncovering Work*

- A. Engineer has the authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.



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- B. If any Work is covered contrary to the written request of Engineer, then Contractor shall, if requested by Engineer, uncover such Work for Engineer's observation, and then replace the covering, all at Contractor's expense.
- C. If Engineer considers it necessary or advisable that covered Work be observed by Engineer or inspected or tested by others, then 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, and provide all necessary labor, material, and equipment.
 - 1. If it is found that the uncovered Work is defective, Contractor shall be responsible for all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, and testing, and of satisfactory replacement or reconstruction (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others); and pending Contractor's full discharge of this responsibility the Owner shall be entitled to impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.
 - 2. If the uncovered Work is not found to be defective, Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing, replacement, and reconstruction. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount or extent thereof, then Contractor may submit a Change Proposal within 30 days of the determination that the Work is not defective.

14.06 *Owner May Stop the Work*

- A. If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment, fails to comply with any requirements of the Contract Documents, or fails to perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, then 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.

14.07 *Owner May Correct Defective Work*

- A. If Contractor fails within two (2) business days of a written notice from Owner or Engineer, or such longer time as may be stated in such notice, to correct, or take reasonable steps to commence to correct, defective Work, or to remove and replace, or take reasonable steps to remove and replace, rejected Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.03.D or as required by Engineer, or if Contractor fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract Documents, then Owner may correct or remedy any such deficiency. In such case an appropriate Change Order shall be issued deducting from payments then or thereafter due the Contractor all the 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 14.07. If payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are not sufficient to cover such amounts, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. In exercising the rights and remedies under this Paragraph 14.07, 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, and incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site



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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.

- B. 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 14.07.

ARTICLE 15 – PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR; SET-OFFS; COMPLETION; CORRECTION PERIOD

15.01 *Progress Payments*

- A. *Basis for Progress Payments:* The Schedule of Values established as provided in Article 2 will serve as the basis for progress payments and will be incorporated into a form of Application for Payment acceptable to Engineer. The Engineer-approved version of the Application for Payment form, which includes information on completed Schedule of Values items, is to be used by the Contractor when making an Application for Progress Payment. Progress payments on account of Unit Price Work will be based on the number of units completed during the pay period, as determined under the provisions of Paragraph 13.03. Progress payments for cost-based Work will be based on Cost of the Work completed by Contractor during the pay period.

B. *Applications for Payments:*

1. At least by the 20th day of the month (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 any other supporting documentation required by the Contract Documents or by the Engineer. The Application for Payment will be in the form and submitted with the number of copies of it and all related documents as 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, a warehouse bond, 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 Contractor's Affidavit with List of Subcontractors and Suppliers with Amounts Withheld; including a certification that Contractor has paid all of its subcontractors and suppliers who were due to be paid with the proceeds of the prior Application for Payment, all using the form provided by Owner and included in the Project Manual.
3. *Retainage.* Partial payments to Contractor for labor performed shall be made at the rate of 92 percent of the amount invoiced through the Application for Payment that shows the total Contract Completion at 50 percent or greater, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 153.14. After the Contract is 50 percent complete as evidenced by payments in the amount of at least 50 percent of the Contract Price to Contractor, no additional funds shall be retained from payments for labor.



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4. Contractor shall submit one original (unless a different quantity is otherwise agreed upon) on 8-1/2 by 11 paper of each lien waiver submitted.
5. Contractor shall submit six copies (unless a different quantity is otherwise agreed upon) of each pay request for approval.
6. No advanced payment for shop drawing preparation will be made. Shop drawing costs will be paid when equipment and materials are delivered and suitably stored on the site.
7. All stored equipment and materials for which payment is requested shall have five copies (unless a different quantity is otherwise agreed upon) of invoices included with the pay request. Equipment shall be identified thoroughly on the invoices, including serial numbers.
8. Payment for the stored equipment and material which are on the site shall not exceed the invoiced amount for each item, less the Contract retainage. The overhead and profit for the stored items shall not be invoiced until the item is installed.
9. Payment for off-site storage is normally reserved for sensitive or very large pieces of equipment that in Engineer's opinion would not be practical to have stored on the site. Payment for off-site stored items shall be limited to 75% of the invoiced value of the item, less Contract retainage. Contractor shall reimburse Owner the Cost of inspecting off-site stored items. When off-site storage is approved, Contractor shall provide Insurance Certificates and Document of Ownership to Owner.

C. *Review of Applications:*

1. Engineer will, within 10 working days after receipt of each Application for Payment, including each resubmittal, 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 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, the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents, a final determination of quantities and classifications for Unit Price Work under Paragraph 13.03, and 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.



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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. 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 money 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 15.01.C.2.
6. Engineer will recommend reductions in payment (set-offs) necessary in Engineer's opinion to protect Owner from loss because:
 - a. the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - b. the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - c. Owner has been required to correct defective Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.07, or has accepted defective Work pursuant to Paragraph 14.04;
 - d. Owner has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible;
 - e. Engineer has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any of the events that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify termination for cause under the Contract Documents; or
 - f. the Contractor is in default of any other Agreement it has with the Owner.

D. Payment Becomes Due:

1. Thirty days after presentation of the Application for Payment to Owner with Engineer's recommendation, the amount recommended (subject to any Owner set-offs) will become due,



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and when due will be submitted to the appropriate funding sources for processing (up to 90 days) and payment to contractor.

E. Reductions in Payment by Owner:

1. In addition to any reductions in payment (set-offs) recommended by Engineer, Owner is entitled to impose a set-off against payment based on any of the following:
 - a. claims have been made against Owner on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance or furnishing of the Work, or Owner has incurred costs, losses, or damages on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance or furnishing of the Work, including but not limited to claims, costs, losses, or damages from workplace injuries, adjacent property damage, non-compliance with Laws and Regulations, and patent infringement;
 - b. Contractor has failed to take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damage, delay, disruption, and interference with other work at or adjacent to the Site;
 - c. Contractor has failed to provide and maintain required bonds or insurance;
 - d. Owner has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible;
 - e. Owner has incurred extra charges or engineering costs related to submittal reviews, evaluations of proposed substitutes, tests and inspections, or return visits to manufacturing or assembly facilities;
 - f. the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - g. Owner has been required to correct defective Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.07, or has accepted defective Work pursuant to Paragraph 14.04;
 - h. the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - i. an event that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify a termination for cause has occurred;
 - j. liquidated damages have accrued as a result of Contractor's failure to achieve Milestones, Substantial Completion, or final completion of the Work;
 - k. 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;
 - l. there are other items entitling Owner to a set off against the amount recommended.
2. If Owner imposes any set-off against payment, whether based on its own knowledge or on the written recommendations of Engineer, Owner will give Contractor written notice (with a copy to Engineer) stating the reasons for such action and the specific amount of the reduction, and promptly pay Contractor any amount remaining after deduction of the amount so withheld. Owner shall promptly pay Contractor the amount so withheld, or any adjustment thereto agreed to by Owner and Contractor, if Contractor remedies the reasons for such action. The reduction imposed shall be binding on Contractor unless it duly submits a Change Proposal contesting the reduction.



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3. Upon a subsequent determination that Owner's refusal of payment was not justified, the amount wrongfully withheld shall be treated as an amount due as determined by Paragraph 15.01.C.1 and subject to interest as provided in the Agreement.
4. Items entitling Owner to retain set-offs from the amount recommended include, but are not limited, to the following:
 - a. Owner compensation to Engineer at an average rate of \$200 per each extra personnel hour for labor plus expenses, if applicable, because of the following Contractor-caused events:
 - 1) Return visits to manufacturing facilities to witness factory testing or retesting;
 - 2) Submittal review in excess of two reviews by Engineer for substantially the same Submittal, in accordance with Paragraph 7.16.E of these Modified General Conditions;
 - 3) Evaluation of proposed substitutes and in making changes to Contract Documents occasioned thereby, in accordance with Paragraph 7.05 of these Modified General Conditions; and
 - 4) Overtime worked by Contractor necessitating Engineer or anyone else to work overtime in accordance with Paragraph 7.02 of these Modified General Conditions.
 - b. Liability for liquidated damages incurred by Owner as set forth in the Contract Documents.

15.02 *Contractor's Warranty of Title*

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials, and equipment furnished under the Contract will pass to Owner free and clear of (1) all Liens and other title defects, and (2) all patent, licensing, copyright, or royalty obligations, no later than seven days after the time of payment by Owner.

15.03 *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 and request that Engineer issue a certificate of Substantial Completion. Contractor shall at the same time submit to Owner and Engineer an initial draft of punch list items to be completed or corrected before final payment.
- 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 preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion which shall fix the date of Substantial Completion. Engineer shall attach to the certificate a punch list of items to be completed or corrected before final payment. Owner shall have seven days after receipt of the preliminary certificate during which to make written objection to Engineer as to any provisions of the certificate or attached punch list. If, after considering the objections to the provisions of the preliminary certificate, Engineer concludes that the Work is not substantially complete, Engineer will, within 14 days after submission of the preliminary certificate to Owner, notify Contractor in writing that the Work is not substantially complete, stating the reasons therefor. If Owner does not object to the provisions of the certificate, or if despite consideration of Owner's objections Engineer concludes that the Work is substantially complete, then Engineer will, within said 14 days, execute and deliver to Owner and Contractor a



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final certificate of Substantial Completion (with a revised punch list of items to be completed or corrected) reflecting such changes from the preliminary certificate as Engineer believes justified after consideration of any objections from Owner.

- D. At the time of receipt of the preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion, Owner and Contractor will confer regarding Owner's use or occupancy of the Work following Substantial Completion, review the builder's risk insurance policy with respect to the end of the builder's risk coverage, and confirm the transition to coverage of the Work under a permanent property insurance policy held by Owner. Unless Owner and Contractor agree otherwise in writing, Owner shall bear responsibility for security, operation, protection of the Work, property insurance, maintenance, heat, and utilities upon Owner's use or occupancy of the Work.
- E. After Substantial Completion the Contractor shall promptly begin work on the punch list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment. In appropriate cases Contractor may submit monthly Applications for Payment for completed punch list items, following the progress payment procedures set forth above.
- F. Owner shall have the right to exclude Contractor from the Site after the date of Substantial Completion subject to allowing Contractor reasonable access to remove its property and complete or correct items on the punch list.
- G. *Time for Completion of Items on Tentative List and Remedies.* The time fixed by the Engineer for the completion of all items on the list accompanying the tentative certificate of Substantial Completion shall not be greater than thirty (30) days. The Contractor shall complete all items on the list within such 30-day period. If the Contractor fails to do so, the Owner in its discretion may perform the Work by itself or others and the cost thereof shall be charged to the Contractor. The Contractor irrevocably designates the Owner as the Contractor's attorney-in-fact to execute a Change Order deducting such cost from the balance of the Contract Price and also any additional costs or expenses incurred by the Owner arising out of or related to the failure of the Contractor to complete such items, including but not limited to attorneys', consultants', and Engineer's fees. The Contractor's warranties under the Contract Documents shall remain in full force and effect and cover any remedial Work, even if performed by others. If more than one inspection by the Engineer for purposes of evaluating corrected Work is required, it will be performed at the Contractor's expense.

15.04 *Partial Use or Occupancy*

- 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. At any time Owner may request in writing that Contractor permit Owner to use or occupy any such part of the Work that Owner believes to be substantially complete. If and when Contractor agrees that such part of the Work is substantially complete, Contractor, Owner, and Engineer will follow the procedures of Paragraph 15.03.A through E for that part of the Work.
 - 2. At any time Contractor may notify Owner and Engineer in writing that Contractor considers any such part of the Work substantially complete and request Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work.



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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 15.03 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. Owner may at any time request Contractor in writing to permit Owner to take over operation of any part of the Work although it is not substantially complete. A copy of such request will be sent to Engineer, and within a reasonable time thereafter, Owner, Contractor, and Engineer shall make an inspection of that part of the Work to determine its status of completion and will prepare a list of the items remaining to be completed or corrected thereon before final payment. If Contractor does not object in writing to Owner and Engineer that such part of the Work is not ready for separate operation by Owner, Engineer will finalize the list of items to be completed or corrected and will deliver such lists to Owner and Contractor together with a written recommendation as to the division of responsibilities pending final payment between Owner and Contractor with respect to security, operation, safety, maintenance, utilities, insurance, warranties, and guarantees for that part of the Work which will become binding upon Owner and Contractor at the time when Owner takes over such operation (unless they shall have otherwise agreed in writing and so informed Engineer). During such operation and prior to Substantial Completion of such part of the Work, Owner shall allow Contractor reasonable access to complete or correct items on said list and to complete other related Work.
5. No use or occupancy or separate operation of part of the Work may occur prior to compliance with the requirements of Paragraph 6.05 regarding builder's risk or other property insurance.

15.05 *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, or agreed portion thereof, is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies.

15.06 *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, annotated record documents (as provided in Paragraph 7.11), and other documents, Contractor may make application for final payment.
2. The final Application for Payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by:
 - a. all documentation called for in the Contract Documents;
 - b. consent of the surety, if any, to final payment;



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- c. satisfactory evidence that all title issues have been resolved such that title to all Work, materials, and equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any Liens or other title defects, or will so pass upon final payment.
 - d. a list of all disputes that Contractor believes are unsettled; and
 - e. a Contractor's Waiver and Release Agreement for itself as of the date of Final Application for Payment and Subcontractors-Suppliers Waiver and Release Agreements for each of its Subcontractors and Suppliers as of the date of the Final Application for Payment.
3. 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, or Owner at its option may issue joint checks payable to Contractor and specified Subcontractors and Suppliers.
 4. If Contractor is required to pay prevailing wages, prior to final payment and in accordance with ORC 4115.05, Contractor and its Subcontractors shall each file with Owner an affidavit certifying their compliance with ORC 4115.03 to ORC 4115.16 regarding wages.

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 have been fulfilled, Engineer will, within ten days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing Engineer's recommendation of final payment and present the Application for Payment to Owner for payment. Such recommendation shall account for any set-offs against payment that are necessary in Engineer's opinion to protect Owner from loss for the reasons stated above with respect to progress payments. 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 15.07. 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. Completion of Work: The Work is complete (subject to surviving obligations) when it is ready for final payment as established by the Engineer's written recommendation of final payment.

D. Payment Becomes Due: Thirty days after the presentation to Owner of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation, the amount recommended by Engineer (less any further sum Owner is entitled to set off against Engineer's recommendation, including but not limited to set-offs for liquidated damages and set-offs allowed under the provisions above with respect to progress payments) will become due and will be submitted to appropriate funding sources for processing (up to 90 days) and paid to Contractor.

15.07 Waiver of Claims

- A. The making of final payment will not constitute a waiver by Owner of claims or rights against Contractor. Owner expressly reserves claims and rights arising from unsettled Liens, from defective Work appearing after final inspection pursuant to Paragraph 15.05, from Contractor's failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein, from



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outstanding Claims by Owner, or from Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract Documents.

- B. The acceptance of final payment by Contractor will constitute a waiver by Contractor of all claims and rights against Owner other than those pending matters that have been duly submitted or appealed under the provisions of Article 17.

15.08 *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 Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas used by Contractor as permitted by Laws and Regulations, is found to be defective, then Contractor shall promptly, without cost to Owner and in accordance with Owner's written instructions:
 - 1. correct the defective repairs to the Site or such other adjacent areas;
 - 2. correct such defective Work;
 - 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 to 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. Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such correction or repair or such removal and replacement (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others).
- C. In special circumstances where a particular item of equipment is placed in continuous service before Substantial Completion of all the Work, the correction period for that item may start to run from an earlier date 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, 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 are in addition to all other obligations and warranties. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed as a substitute for, or limitation upon, or a waiver of, the provisions of any applicable statute of limitation or repose.



ARTICLE 16 – SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

16.01 *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 written notice to Contractor and Engineer. Such notice will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension. Any Change Proposal seeking such adjustments shall be submitted no later than 30 days after the date fixed for resumption of Work.

16.02 *Owner May Terminate for Cause*

- A. The occurrence of any one or more of the following events will constitute a default by Contractor and justify termination for cause:
1. Contractor's 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);
 2. Failure of Contractor to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Contract Documents;
 3. Contractor's disregard of Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction; or
 4. Contractor's disregard of the authority of Owner or Engineer.
- B. If one or more of the events identified in Paragraph 16.02.A occurs, then after giving Contractor (and any surety) three business days written notice that Owner is considering a declaration that Contractor is in default and termination of the contract, Owner may proceed to:
1. declare Contractor to be in default, and give Contractor (and any surety) notice that the Contract is terminated; and
 2. enforce the rights available to Owner under any applicable performance bond.
- Such termination shall be effective as of the date stated in the termination notice provided to Contractor.
- C. Subject to the terms and operation of any applicable performance bond, if Owner has terminated the Contract for cause, Owner may exclude Contractor from the Site, take possession of the Work, incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and complete the Work as Owner may deem expedient.
- D. Owner may not proceed with termination of the Contract under Paragraph 16.02.B if Contractor within three business days of receipt of notice of intent to terminate begins to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure.
- E. If Owner proceeds as provided in Paragraph 16.02.B, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is completed. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price exceeds the cost to complete the Work, including all related claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals) sustained by Owner, such excess will be paid to Contractor. If the cost to complete the Work including such related claims, costs, losses, and damages exceeds such unpaid balance, Contractor



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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.

- F. 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, or any rights or remedies of Owner against Contractor or any surety under any payment bond or performance bond. Any retention or payment of money due Contractor by Owner will not release Contractor from liability.

16.03 *Owner May Terminate For Convenience*

- A. Upon three business 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. Such termination shall be effective as of the date stated in the written notice. 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 compensation as set forth in the schedule of values or Bid Form in the case of unit prices;
 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; and
 3. other reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination, including costs incurred to prepare a termination for convenience cost proposal.
- B. Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated overhead, profits, or revenue, or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.
- C. Contractor shall require similar provisions contained in Paragraph 16.03 in each of its subcontracts to protect Contractor from claims by Subcontractors arising from the Owner's termination for convenience, or to minimize claims by such subcontractors. The remedy provided to Contractor under this Paragraph 16.03 shall be the Contractor's sole remedy in the event of termination for convenience by Owner.

16.04 *Contractor May Stop Work or Terminate*

- A. If, through no act or fault of Contractor, (1) the Work is suspended for more than 90 consecutive days by Owner or under an order of court or other public authority, or (2) Engineer fails to act on any Application for Payment within 30 days after it is submitted, or (3) Owner fails for 90 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 16.03.
- 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 90 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



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amounts due Contractor, including interest thereon. The provisions of this paragraph are not intended to preclude Contractor from submitting a Change Proposal for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times or otherwise for expenses or damage directly attributable to Contractor's stopping the Work as permitted by this paragraph.

ARTICLE 17 – FINAL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

17.01 *Methods and Procedures*

A. *Litigation, Settlement, Methods, and Procedures.*

1. Any dispute, claim, or other matter not settled by negotiation or mediation, shall be determined by the Court of Common Pleas for Stark County, Ohio, which shall be exclusive venue and jurisdiction over such matters and claims, to the exclusion of any other court, including any U.S. District Court.
2. In addition to Owner's entitlement to attorneys' fees set forth elsewhere in the Contract Documents, in the event that Contractor files a Claim or files an action against Owner, Owner shall be entitled to make an offer of settlement of the Claim to Contractor at any time up to the date of trial. Such offer of settlement shall not be admissible into evidence at the litigation except on the issue of entitlement to recovery of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses. If at any stage of the litigation, including any appeals, Contractor's claim is dismissed or found to be without merit, or if the damages awarded to Contractor on its claim do not exceed Owner's offer of settlement, Contractor shall be liable to Owner and shall reimburse Owner for all attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses incurred by Owner from the date of the offer of settlement until the date of the final adjudication and resolution of Contractor's claim.

ARTICLE 18 – MISCELLANEOUS

18.01 *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, by a commercial courier service or otherwise, to the individual or to a member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for which it is intended; or
 2. delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the sender of the notice.

18.02 *Computation of Times*

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

18.03 *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



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imposed or available by Laws or Regulations, by special warranty or guarantee, or by other provisions of the Contract. 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.

18.04 *Limitation of Damages*

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

18.05 *No Waiver*

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

18.06 *Survival of Obligations*

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

18.07 *Controlling Law*

- A. This Contract is to be governed by the law of the State of Ohio.

18.08 *Headings*

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

18.09 *Equal Employment Opportunity and Non-Discrimination.*

- A. The Contractor shall comply with, and shall require all Subcontractors of any tier to comply with, the applicable equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination statute and regulations of the State of Ohio.



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Bidders shall take notice that they are to comply with the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton, including but not limited to, the following:

1. Chapter 105.02 – Public Paving Time Restrictions.

All City public paving contracts shall include a provision for liquidated damages in order to provide the City reasonable compensation for actual damages due to a failure to ensure that asphalt paving take place on the City's road surfaces from May 1st to October 1st; and/or during optimal climatic conditions that are conducive to the best mix compacting and long term durability of the pavement, according to the highest and best practices of the asphalt paving industry.
(Ord. 270-2014. Passed 12-29-14.)

2. Chapter 105.03 – U.S. Steel Usage Required; Exception.

All City contracts shall stipulate or provide that all steel necessary in the construction of any work performed under such contracts shall be steel that is produced in the United States unless a specific product which is required is not produced by manufacturers in the United States in which event this prohibition does not apply. This section shall apply to only contracts awarded by the Board of Control of the City.
(Ord. 224-77. Passed 6-27-77.)

3. Chapter 105.05 – Materials to be Purchased Locally.

In all future contracts for the construction of buildings, structures, or other improvements under the Capital Improvement Budget, the following clause shall be printed or typewritten on each contract:
It is the desire of the City of Canton that all materials used in the construction covered by this contract shall be purchased in the Canton area except such materials which are unavailable in the Canton area.
(Res. 49-77. Passed 2-7-77.)

4. Chapter 105.06 – Minority Contract Provision.

a. All contracts with the City shall include the following clause:
The bidder agrees to expend at least \$_____ of the Contract in the event the contract is awarded to such bidder for minority/women's business enterprises. For purposes of this pledge, the term "minority/women's business enterprise" means a bona fide business established as a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority persons or women who have at least fifty-one percent (51%) ownership. "Minority" includes African Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, Hispanic/Latino Americans and Native American Indians. The minority or woman must have operational and managerial control, interest in capital, and earnings commensurate with the percentage of ownership. Minority/women's business enterprises may be employed as construction contractors, subcontractors, vendors or suppliers.
(Ord.185-2011. Passed 10-31-11.)

5. Chapter 105.12 – Local Bidder Preference.

a. The Board of Control, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of contracts to which this section is applicable, is authorized to award contracts to local bidders as hereinafter defined, whose bid is not more than five percent (5%) higher, subject to a maximum amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), than the lowest dollar bid submitted by non-local bidders. The Board of Control's decision in making such an award shall be final.



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- b. For purposes of this section, "local bidder" means an individual or business entity which at the time of the award of the contract has a headquarters, division, sales office, sales outlet, manufacturing facility, or similar significant business-related location in Stark County, Ohio.
- c. All contract specifications and/or bid documents that are distributed by Canton for the purpose of soliciting bids for goods and/or services shall contain the following notice: Prospective bidders will take notice that the City of Canton, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of this contract, may award a local bidder preference to any qualified bidder pursuant to Section 105.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton. The determination of whether a bidder qualifies for the local preference shall be made by Board of Control. The Board's decision shall be final. A copy of Section 105.12 is attached.
- d. This section shall be applicable to all contracts for equipment, goods, machinery, materials, supplies, vehicles and/or services, which are purchased, leased and/or constructed at a cost in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) and which require bidding pursuant to Ohio R.C. 735.05 through 735.09 and Ohio R.C. 737.03.
(Ord. 115-2018. Passed 5-14-18.)

6. Chapter 105.15 – City Income Tax

- a. No person, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10, unless the bidder is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of City income taxes, including any obligation to pay taxes withheld from employees under Section 182.05 and any payment on net profits under Section 182.06.
- b. Falsification of any information related to or any post-contractual violation of the requirement to pay City income taxes set forth in subsection (a) shall constitute cause for the rescission of the balance of the contract at the City's discretion.
- c. No partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which has as one of its partners, shareholders or owners a person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in such partnership, corporation or unincorporated association and who is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a), may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
- d. A person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in any partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a) may not be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
- e. A contract awarded under Sections 105.09 or 105.10 for a public improvement project, services other than personal or professional services, and personal or professional services shall not be binding or valid unless such contract contains the following provisions:

Said _____ hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out



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of the City. In addition to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.
(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

7. Chapter 182.30 – Contract Provisions

a. No contract on behalf of the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10 of the Codified Ordinances of Canton for a public improvement project, services other than personal or professional services, and personal or professional services shall be binding or valid unless such contract contains the following provisions:

Said _____ hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out of the City. In addition to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.

b. By entering into contract with the City of Canton _____ agrees with the City regarding the manner of withholding of City income taxes as provided in Section 718.011(F) of the Ohio Revised Code.

- i. Municipal income tax withholding provisions of Sections 718.011(B)(1) and 718.011(D) ORC shall not apply to qualifying wages paid to employees for work done or services performed or rendered inside the City or on City property.
- ii. _____ agrees to withhold income tax for the City from employees' qualifying wages earned inside the City or on City property, beginning with the first day of work done or services performed or rendered inside the City.

(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

8. Chapter 507.03 – Equal Employment Opportunity Clause.

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

1. The contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation or gender identity. The contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation or gender identity. As used herein, the word "treated" shall mean and include without limitation the following: recruited, whether by advertising or other means; compensation, whether in the form of rates or pay or other forms of compensation; selected for training, including apprenticeship; promoted; demoted; upgraded; downgraded; transferred; laid off; and terminated. The contractor agrees to and shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment notices to be provided by the contracting officers setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
2. The contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

(Ord. 153-2012. Passed 9-24-12.)

3. The contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers, with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or



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- understanding, a notice advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under the equal opportunity clause of the City; and he shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
4. The contractor shall submit in writing to the City his affirmative action plan, and each subcontractor and supplier of equipment or supplies shall submit to the general contractor his affirmative action plan. The responsibility for securing these affirmative action plans falls upon the general contractor and shall be on file at the office of the general contractor. The contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by the City or its representative pursuant to this chapter, and shall permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and by the Executive Secretary for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the program.
 5. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as the City may direct as a means of enforcing the provisions of this equal opportunity clause, including penalties and sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in or is threatened with litigation as the result of such direction by the City, the City will enter into such litigation as is necessary to protect the interests of the City and to effectuate the City's equal opportunity program and, in the case of contracts receiving Federal assistance, the contractor or the City may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
 6. The contractor shall file and shall cause his subcontractors, if any, to file compliance reports with the City in the form and to the extent prescribed by the City or its representative. Compliance reports filed at such times as directed shall contain information as to the employment practices, policies, programs and statistics of the contractor and his subcontractors.
 7. The contractor shall include the provisions of this equal employment opportunity clause in every subcontract or purchase order, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
 8. Refusal by the contractor or subcontractor to comply with any portion of this program as herein stated and described will subject the offending party to any or all of the following penalties:
 - A. Withholding of all future payments under the involved public contract to the contractor in violation, until it is determined that the contractor or subcontractor is in compliance with the provisions of this contract.
 - B. Refusal of all future bids for any public contract with the City or any of its departments or divisions, until such time as the contractor or subcontractor demonstrates that he has established and shall carry out the policies of the program as herein outlined.
 - C. Cancellation of the public contract and declaration of forfeiture of the performance bond.
 - D. In cases in which there is substantial or material violation or the threat of substantial or material violation of the compliance procedure or as may be provided by contract, appropriate proceedings may be brought to enforce these provisions, including the enjoining within applicable laws of contractors, subcontractors or other organizations, individuals or groups who prevent, directly or indirectly, or seek to prevent, directly or indirectly, compliance with the policy as herein outlined.

(Ord. 179-74. Passed 6-17-74.)



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STATEMENT OF CLAIM FORM

Claim No. ___ for Contractor

1. Name of Contractor: _____
2. Date written claim given: _____.
3. Contractor's representative to contact regarding the claim:
Name: _____ Title: _____
Telephone No. _____ (office) FAX No. _____
E-mail: _____
4. General description of claim:

5. Contract Documents. If the claim is based upon any part or provision in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to pages in the Drawings and/or paragraphs in the Specifications, Owner-Contractor Agreement, General Conditions or Supplementary General Conditions, state upon which parts or provisions the claim is based:

6. Delay claims:
 - 6.1 Date delay commenced: _____
 - 6.2 Duration of the delay: _____
 - 6.3 Apparent cause of the delay and part of critical path affected:

 - 6.4 Impact of the delay and recommendations for minimizing such impact:

7. Additional compensation. Set forth in detail all additional compensation to which the Contractor believes it is entitled with respect to this claim:

8. Instructions for Completing the Statement of Claim Form ("Instructions"). The Instructions are incorporated in this Form.



9. Truth of Claim. By submitting this claim, the Contractor and its representative certify that after conscientious and thorough review and to the best of his or her knowledge and belief a) the Contractor has complied fully with the Instructions, b) the information in this State of Claim is accurate, c) the Contractor is entitled to recover the compensation in paragraph 7, and d) the Contractor has not knowingly presented a false or fraudulent claim. The Contractor by its authorized representative must acknowledge this Statement of Claim before a notary public.

CONTRACTOR: _____

By: _____

Name and Title: _____

Date: _____

CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of _____,

County of _____, ss:

_____ first being sworn, states that after conscientious and thorough review, the statements made in attached Statement of Claim Form are complete and true to the best of his or her knowledge and belief.

Sworn to before me a notary public by _____ on _____, 20__.

Notary Public

WHEN COMPLETED, FORWARD A COPY OF THIS NOTICE AND STATEMENT OF CLAIM FORM TO THE OWNER AND ENGINEER.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE STATEMENT OF CLAIM FORM

1. Completing the Statement of Claim Form ("Claim Form") is a material term of the Contract. The Claim Form tells the Owner and Design Professional that the Contractor is making a Claim and that they need to act promptly to mitigate the effects of the occurrence giving rise to the Claim. The Claim Form also provides them with information so that they can mitigate such effects. The Contractor acknowledges that constructive knowledge of the conditions giving rise to the Claim through job meetings, correspondence, site observations, etc. is inadequate notice, because knowledge of these conditions does not tell the Owner and Engineer that the Contractor will be making a Claim and most often is incomplete.
2. If the space provided in the Claim Form is insufficient, the Contractor, as necessary to provide complete and detailed information, must attach pages to the Claim Form with the required information.
3. Paragraph 4. The Contractor must state what it wants, *i.e.*, time and/or compensation, and the reason why it is entitled to time and/or compensation.
4. Paragraph 5. The Contractor must identify the exact provisions of the Contract Documents it is relying on in making its Claim. For example, if the Claim is for a change in the scope of the Contractor's Work, the Contractor must identify the specific provisions of the Specifications, and the Plan sheets and details that provide the basis for the scope change.
5. Paragraph 6. This paragraph applies to delay claims, including delays that the Contractor believes result in constructive acceleration. The Contractor must identify the cause of the delay, party or parties responsible, and what the party did or did not do that caused the delay, *i.e.*, specific work activities. The Contractor acknowledges that general statements are not sufficient, and do not provide the Owner with sufficient information to exercise the remedies available to the Owner or to mitigate the effects of the delay.

For example, if the Contractor claims a slow response time on submittals caused a delay, the Contractor must identify the specific submittals, all relevant dates, and then show on the applicable schedule, by circling or highlighting, the activities immediately affected by the delays. Also for example, if the Contractor claims it was delayed by another Contractor, the Contractor must identify the delaying Contractor, specifically what the delaying Contractor did or did not do that caused the delay, and then show the applicable schedule, by circling or highlighting, the activities immediately affected by the delays. Further by example, if the Contractor seeks an extension of time for unusually severe weather, the Contractor must submit comparative weather data along with a record of the actual weather at the job site and job site conditions.

6. Paragraph 6.4. Time is of the essence under the Contract Documents. If there is a delay, it is important to know what can be done to minimize the impact of the delay. It therefore is important that the Contractor provide specific recommendations on how to do so.
7. Paragraph 7. The Contractor must provide a specific and detailed breakdown of the additional compensation it seeks to recover. For future compensation, the Contractor shall provide its best estimate of such compensation.
8. Paragraph 8 and Acknowledgment. By submitting this Claim, the Contractor and its representative certify that after conscientious and thorough review and to the best of his or her knowledge and belief a) the Contractor has complied fully with the Instructions, b) the information in this Claim Form is accurate, c) the Contractor is entitled to recover the compensation in paragraph 7, and d) the Contractor has not knowingly presented a false or fraudulent claim. The Contractor by its authorized representative must acknowledge this Statement of Claim before a notary public.

End of Instructions



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CONTRACTOR'S PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX AFFIDAVIT
(O.R.C. § 5719.042)

State of Ohio
County of _____, ss:

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the
(Name)

_____ of _____ with offices located at
(Title) (Contractor)

_____, and as its duly
(Address of Contractor)

authorized representative, states that effective this ____ day of _____, 20__,

(Name of Contractor)

() is charged with delinquent personal property taxes on the general list of personal property as set forth below:

<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u> (includes total amount due, plus penalties and interest thereon)
Stark	\$ _____

() is not charged with delinquent personal property taxes on the general list of personal property in Stark County.

(Affiant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me by the above-named affiant this ____ day of _____, 20__.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires
_____, 20__



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**CONTRACTOR'S FINAL WAIVER & RELEASE AFFIDAVIT
("AFFIDAVIT")**

Project: **Centennial Plaza**

In consideration for payment received from the City of Canton (the "City") in the amount requested in Contractor's Final Application for Payment to the City, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned Contractor hereby waives and releases any rights it has or may have to any and all types of claims relating to the Project, including without limitation claims of payment, Mechanic's Lien, stop notice, equitable lien, labor and material bond, breach of contract or unjust enrichment, or any other claim against the City, for any labor, materials, or equipment the undersigned may have delivered or provided to the Project, except for any Claims the undersigned has made by properly and timely submitting a Statement of Claim form. The undersigned further certifies that this Affidavit covers claims by all contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers who may have provided any labor, material, or equipment to the Project through the undersigned or at the undersigned's request. The undersigned acknowledges that all such contractors, subcontractors, sub-subcontractors and suppliers have signed an affidavit in the form of this Affidavit releasing any and all claims against the City, except for any Claims the undersigned has made by properly and timely submitting a written statement of its Claim. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that it has paid any and all welfare, pension, vacation or other contributions required to be paid on account of the employment by the undersigned of any laborers on the Project.

This Affidavit is for the benefit of, and may be relied upon by the City. The undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the foregoing, the Project, work of improvement, and real property from any and all claims, or liens that are or should have been released in accordance with this Affidavit.

Company Name

State of: _____ County of _____

Authorized Signature (Company Officer)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____

Title

day of _____

Notary Public: _____

Date

My Commission Expires: _____



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Centennial Plaza Project

PRE-BID SUBSTITUTION FORM

1. Note. Certain brands of material or apparatus are specified. Each bid will be based on these brands, which may be referred to in the Contract Documents as Standards. The use of another brand (referred to as a substitution or proposed equal in the Contract Documents, when a bidder or the contractor seeks to have a different brand of material or apparatus than that specified approved by the Owner for use in the Project) may be requested as provided in the Instructions to Bidders. Substitutions, however, unless approved and issued in an Addendum, will not be considered in determining which bidder to award the contract to.

2. The detailed procedures for submitting substitutions are set forth in Paragraph K of the Instructions to Bidders.

Specification Section	Brand or Name Specified	Proposed Substitution