

**City of Beatrice, Nebraska
Regular BPW Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 30, 2025 at 12:00 PM
City Hall Conference Room
400 Ella Street
Beatrice, NE 68310**



Pledge of Allegiance

1. **ROLL CALL**
2. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 2.a. Approve agenda as submitted.
 - 2.b. Receive and place on file all notices pertaining to this meeting.
 - 2.c. Receive and place on file all materials having any bearing on this meeting.
 - 2.d. Approval of minutes of regular BPW Board meeting on July 2, 2025, as on file in the City Clerk's Office.
 - 2.e. Recommend approval of Change Order #3 increase in the amount of \$12,628.17 to M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc., for the Beatrice Lincoln Street Improvements, to the Mayor and City Council.
3. **PUBLIC HEARINGS/BIDS - None**
4. **RESOLUTIONS**
 - 4.a. Resolution executing Amendment No. 2, and any and all documents necessary, between WAPA and the City, to the Contract for Firm Electric Service, Contract No. 13-UGPR-1073.
 - 4.b. Resolution executing an Agreement retaining HDR, Inc., to evaluate electric generation equipment and to develop a comprehensive strategy for the procurement, permitting, and installation of electric generation.
5. **ORDINANCES - None**
6. **PUBLIC FORUM**
7. **DISCUSSIONS/REPORTS**
 - 7.a. Update on Current Projects.
8. **MISCELLANEOUS**
 - 8.a. The next regular BPW Board meeting is August 13, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

A regular meeting of the Beatrice Board of Public Works was held on the 2nd day of July, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 400 Ella Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

ROLL CALL

Attending: Boardmembers: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky

Absent: Moran

Acting Chairman Baehr announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve agenda as submitted.
- b. Receive and place on file all notices pertaining to this meeting.
- c. Receive and place on file all materials having any bearing on this meeting.
- d. Approval of minutes of regular meeting on June 11, 2025, as on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Moved by Zarybnicky, seconded by Hartley, that the items listed under the consent agenda, be approved, accepted, and/or ratified as presented.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/BIDS

There were no public hearings/bids.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution executing Amendment #1 to Master Agreement Work Order No. 2 between the City and Olsson, Inc., to retain Olsson, Inc., to add construction administrative services for the construction phase of the City's Water Main Crossing Replacement Project for the West Court Street Bridge

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, City Administrator/General Manager, explained to the Board this Amendment is to hire Olsson, Inc., to provide oversight for the Water Main Crossing Replacement project for the West Court Street Bridge, similar to other projects Olsson's has been involved in. The total cost for this project is \$28,589.60.

Rob Mierau, Water Superintendent, noted the pre-construction meeting was held yesterday and the project is anticipated to begin in the next few weeks. Boardmember Hartley inquired if there would be any traffic interruptions along Highway 136, as the Gage County Fair will be held during that time causing additional traffic and Mierau stated Highway 136 will remain open during this project, however, 1st Street will be closed during construction.

Moved by Leech, seconded by Hartley, that the Mayor and City Council execute Amendment #1 to Master Agreement Work Order No. 2 between the City and Olsson, Inc., adding construction administrative services for the construction phase of the City's Water Main Crossing Replacement Project for the West Court Street Bridge.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution executing the Master Services Agreement between the City and Caselle for accounting services and the addition of Check on Demand software, Maintenance Orders software, and cloud services for all current Caselle applications used by the City

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, City Administrator/General Manager, reported to the Board the City has had Caselle for its accounting services since 2013 and these changes are for additional services the City would like to begin utilizing. Hannah Bell, Finance Director, stated the Check on Demand software will allow refund checks to be written without having to create additional vendors through Accounts Payable. The Maintenance Orders software will allow for administrative staff to create an order, such as a damaged stop sign, which will be sent to the appropriate department or employee. Once the issue has been resolved, the employee can update the maintenance order to complete, and the submitter will be notified. Bell noted the City has been in discussion for several years regarding moving our data to a cloud hosted environment, however, in the past Caselle's platform was not sufficient and not feasible due to the cost. Caselle has made several improvements to their cloud platform, along with a lower cost, which now makes sense for the City to move forward. Bell noted having Caselle on an offsite server will help with possible cybersecurity threats. Acting Chairman Baehr inquired if there are any insurance benefits of having sensitive information stored on the cloud and Tempelmeyer noted there could be potential savings with the City's cybersecurity insurance.

Moved by Zarybnicky, seconded by Hartley, that the Mayor and City Council execute the Master Services Agreement between the City and Caselle for accounting services and the addition of Check on Demand software, Maintenance Orders software, and cloud services for all current Caselle applications used by the City.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution executing the Cost of Service and Rate Design Study Proposal, and any and all documents necessary to retain JK Energy Consulting, LLC, for professional services to conduct a cost of service and rate design study of the City's electric rate structure

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, City Administrator/General Manager, explained to the Board the City has its energy capacity locked in until 2030. Tempelmeyer noted the City has utilized John Krajewski of JK Energy for a number of years. JK Energy will conduct a rate study to help the City determine if any changes are necessary moving forward. Tempelmeyer noted if the findings show a rate increase may be necessary after 2030, the City would have the option of implementing smaller increases over the next few years instead of implementing a large increase all at once. Boardmember Zarybnicky inquired if the City can provide input. Pat Feist, Electric Superintendent, noted Krajewski has been good to work with. Feist noted while Krajewski is providing his recommendation, the City makes the final decision on how to move forward with the information provided to best suit its needs.

Moved by Hartley, seconded by Leech, that the Mayor and City Council execute the Cost of Service and Rate Design Study Proposal, and any and all documents necessary to retain JK Energy Consulting, LLC, for professional services to conduct a cost of service and rate design study of the City's electric rate structure.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one appeared at public forum.

DISCUSSIONS/REPORTS

Review of Board Policy #159 – Procedural Policies for Utility Disconnection

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, City Administrator/General Manager, explained to the Board state law recently changed to allow utility customers to provide disconnect notices via electronic delivery, such as email or text messaging, provided the customer elects to receive notices that way. The proposed policy would allow the City to begin utilizing that delivery method. Boardmember Hartley inquired if the customer must acknowledge receipt and Tempelmeyer stated they do not have to acknowledge receipt, further noting today, notices are sent via regular first-class mail and not certified mail.

Moved by Zarybnicky, seconded by Hartley, that Board Policy #164 – Procedural Policies for Utility Disconnection, be adopted to replace Board Policy #159.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Hartley, Leech, Zarybnicky
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Update on Current Projects

James Burroughs, City Engineer, reported Lincoln Street, 25th to 27th Street, improvements are progressing. Caspers Construction is completing the ADA concrete replacement for the mill and overlay project, as Cather and Sons subcontractor. Burroughs noted bids were received for the 4th & 5th Street Downtown Improvement Project, with R.L. Tiemann Construction as the low bidder. A recommendation will be provided to the Council at their next meeting. One (1) bid was received a few months ago for the Chautauqua Park Pickleball Terrace Seating Project. Due to the bid being hire than anticipated, the City began negotiations with Lottman Construction, who provided a quote to complete the work. Their quote and a change order extending the completion time frame will be presented at the next Council meeting for approval.

Rob Mierau, Water Superintendent, reported the pipe for the Water Main Crossing Replacement project for the West Court Street Bridge is anticipated to be delivered July 25, 2025, with construction beginning the following week. Mierau stated the maintenance project on the north water tower is near completion and will likely be placed back into service early next week. The watermain installation for Corral Crossing

is underway and is anticipated to be completed within the next week, weather permitting.

Pat Feist, Electric Superintendent, stated crews have been rebuilding two (2) overhead lines. A crew has also been working on substation repairs and maintenance. Feist noted a complete rebuild of the substation located near Exmark will begin this fall.

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, City Administrator/General Manager, noted all departments have submitted their budgets and meetings will begin next week. Tempelmeyer noted the proposed budget will be presented to the Board in August.

Hannah Bell, Finance Director, reported to the Board May financials will be presented at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular BPW Board Meeting will be July 16, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 400 Ella Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Acting Chairman Baehr congratulated Doug Kennedy, KWBE News Director, on his forty-five (45) years with KWBE and wished him a happy retirement. Kennedy's last day with KWBE is July 3, 2025.

Moved by Zarybnicky, seconded by Hartley, that the meeting be adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Roll Call: Yea: Baehr, Leech, Hartley, Zarybnicky
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.



JEO Consulting Group Inc.

Change Order Details

220686.01 - Beatrice Lincoln Street Improvements

Description	220686.01 Beatrice Lincoln Street Improvements
Prime Contractor	M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc. P.O. Box 83 Wahoo, NE 68066
Change Order	3
Status	Pending
Date Created	07/18/2025
Type	Changed Conditions
Summary	Add Additional Work to the Contract
Change Order Description	Add an Area Inlet Structure and Pipe Run at Sta. 107+24. Remove and Replace 55 LF of Curb and Gutter to tie Curb Line Into Last Years Project.
Awarded Project Amount	\$554,222.30
Authorized Project Amount	\$568,938.30
Change Order Amount	\$12,628.17
Revised Project Amount	\$581,566.47

E - Contract time adjustment:

Extending the substantial and final completion dates for the project due to utility delays, weather delays, and additional work that has been added into the project.

Increases/Decreases

Line Number	Item ID	Unit	Unit Price	Current		Change		Revised	
				Quantity	Amount	Quantity	Amount	Quantity	Amount
Section: 1 - Lincoln Street Improvements									
0090	9	CY	\$18.300	837.000	\$15,317.10	8.500	\$155.55	845.500	\$15,472.65
Earthwork Measured in Embankment (Established Quantity)									
Reason: Additional grading required for drainage into the new ADS Nyloplast Inline Drain Basin.									
0160	16	SY	\$2.100	2,286.000	\$4,800.60	230.000	\$483.00	2,516.000	\$5,283.60
Erosion Contol Type 1B									
Reason: For additional graded area.									
0170	17	AC	\$5,140.000	0.470	\$2,415.80	0.050	\$257.00	0.520	\$2,672.80
Seeding									
Reason: For additional graded area.									
0240	24	EA	\$772.000	3.000	\$2,316.00	1.000	\$772.00	4.000	\$3,088.00
Storm Sewer Tap									

Line Number	Item ID	Unit	Unit Price	Current	Change	Revised			
				Quantity	Amount	Quantity	Amount	Quantity	Amount

Reason: Tap existing storm sewer pipe to tie in new structure and pipe run to city storm sewer.

0360	9000-32	EA	\$2,370.000	1.000	\$2,370.00	1.000	\$2,370.00	2.000	\$4,740.00
ADS Nyloplast 15" Inline Drain									

Reason: Storm sewer area inlet structure to improve drainage near the trail and school from last years project.

5 items			Totals		\$27,219.50		\$4,037.55		\$31,257.05
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New Items

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Line Number	Item ID	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension
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Section: 1 - Lincoln Street Improvements

0390	9000-35	LF	52.000	\$79.200	\$4,118.40
12" HDPE Pipe					

Reason: New pipe run at station 107+26 to improve drainage from previous project.

0400	9000-37	LF	55.000	\$7.730	\$425.15
Saw Concrete Curb					

Reason: Saw cuts to remove curb and gutter section

0410	9000-36	LF	55.000	\$11.410	\$627.55
Remove Concrete Curb & Gutter					

Line Number	Item ID	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension
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Reason: Removing Curb and Gutter section to tie last years project into this project. Road width didn't line up.

0420	9000-38	SY	12.200	\$6.280	\$76.62
Subgrade Preparation Curb					

Reason: Preparation of subgrade under where new curb and gutter will be installed.

0430	9000-39	LF	55.000	\$60.780	\$3,342.90
Install 24"-30" Concrete Curb & Gutter					

Reason: New concrete curb and gutter to tie last years project into this years Lincoln St. improvement project. Lane width of old Lincoln St. does not match existing roadway.

5 items Total: \$8,590.62

Time Limit Changes

Type	Original Deadline	Current Deadline	Pending Extension	Pending Deadline
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Completion Date	08/01/2025	08/01/2025	11.0 Days	08/12/2025
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Substantial Completion includes the following. Earthworks, Excluding final grading Above grade and below grade piping and valves Manholes Aggregate Surfacing Concrete Paving

Reason: Utility and weather delays. Additional work added to the contract.


1 time limit

New Time Limits

Type	Pending Deadline	Pending Cost per Day
Completion Date	08/26/2025	\$0.00
Final Completion		
1 time limit		

When authorized, the contractor agrees to perform the work outlined above in accordance with provisions of the contract documents

10- **Contractor** ME Collins Contracting -  **Date** 7-18-25

Engineer  **Date** 7/21/0225

Owner _____ **Date** _____

RESOLUTION NUMBER _____

WHEREAS, on or about March 31, 2015, the City of Beatrice (“City”) and the Western Area Power Administration (“WAPA”) entered into a Contract for Firm Electric Service, effective December 31, 2020 through December 31, 2050 (“Contract No. 13-UGPR-1073”).

WHEREAS, on or about July 21, 2025, the City executed Amendment No. 1 to said Contract to amend Exhibit “B” and Exhibit “C” of said Contract; and

WHEREAS, on or about July 17, 2025, WAPA modified the General Power Contract Provisions (“GPCP”); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to execute Amendment No. 2 to said Contract in order to incorporate the new GCPC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor, City Administrator, and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 2, and any and all documents necessary, between WAPA and the City, to the Contract for Firm Electric Service, Contract No. 13-UGPR-1073, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, and incorporated by this reference.

SECTION 2. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025.

Attest:

Erin Saathoff, MMC, City Clerk

Robert Morgan, Mayor

Exhibit "A"

Contract Amendment No. 2
Contract No. 13-UGPR-1073
City of Beatrice, Nebraska

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program--Eastern Division

CONTRACT FOR FIRM ELECTRIC SERVICE TO

CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA

(General Power Contract Provisions)

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General Power Contract Provisions dated July 17, 2025

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program--Eastern Division

CONTRACT FOR FIRM ELECTRIC SERVICE TO

CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA

(General Power Contract Provisions)

1. PREAMBLE: This Contract is made on _____, between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Western Area Power Administration, hereinafter called Western, and the CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA, a municipal corporation duly organized under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter called Beatrice or Contractor, their successor and assigns, each sometimes hereinafter called the Party or all sometimes hereinafter collectively called the Parties, as part of Contract No. 13-UGPR-1073, dated March 31, 2015 (Original Contract), as amended, pursuant to the same authorities as the Original Contract, and subject to all the provisions as the Original Contract except as herein amended.

2. EXPLANATORY RECITALS:

2.1 The Parties previously entered into the Original Contract dated March 31, 2015, which provides for, among other things, the sale of firm electric power and energy to Beatrice through December 31, 2050.

2.2 Western's General Power Contract Provisions (GPCP) dated September 1, 2007, made part of the Original Contract, have been revised.

2.3 The Parties want to amend the Original Contract to incorporate the revised GPCP dated July 17, 2025.

2.4 Therefore, this Amendment No. 1 to the Original Contract will modify certain provisions of the Original Contract.

3. AGREEMENT: The Parties agree to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

4. TERM OF AMENDMENT: This Contract Amendment shall become effective on the date of its execution, and shall remain in effect concurrently with the Original Contract and shall terminate coincidentally therewith.

5. MODIFICATION OF THE GENERAL POWER CONTRACT PROVISIONS SECTION OF THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT: Section 18, "General Power Contract Provisions," of the Original Contract is hereby deleted, and the following new Section 18 shall be substituted therefor:

"18. GENERAL POWER CONTRACT PROVISIONS: The GPCP, effective July 17, 2025, attached hereto, are made part of this Contract the same as if they had been expressly set forth herein."

6. ORIGINAL CONTRACT TO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT: Except as expressly modified by this Contract Amendment, the Original Contract shall remain in full force and effect, and this Contract Amendment shall be subject to all provisions, except as herein modified, of the Original Contract.

7. USE OF DIGITAL SIGNATURES: The Parties agree that this Contract Amendment may be signed and executed by digital signature in accordance with Western's policy. A digital signature is the same as a handwritten signature and shall be considered valid and acceptable.

8. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS: This Contract Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts and, upon execution and delivery by each Party, the executed and delivered counterparts together shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument as if all Parties had signed the same instrument. Any signature page of this Contract Amendment may be detached by any counterpart of this Contract Amendment without impairing the legal effect of any signatures thereon, and may be attached to another counterpart of this Contract Amendment identical in form hereto, by having attached to it one or more signature pages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Contract Amendment to be executed the day and year first above written.

WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

By _____

Title _____ Vice President of Power Marketing

_____ for Upper Great Plains Region

Address _____ P.O. Box 35800

_____ Billings, MT 59107-5800

(SEAL)

CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA

By _____

Attest:

Title _____

By _____

Address _____ P.O. Box 279

Title _____

_____ Beatrice, NE 68310-0279

WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION
GENERAL POWER CONTRACT PROVISIONS

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WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION
GENERAL POWER CONTRACT PROVISIONS

I. APPLICABILITY.

1. Applicability.

1.1 These General Power Contract Provisions (Provisions) shall be a part of the contract to which they are attached. In the event these Provisions differ from requirements of the contract, specific terms set forth in the contract shall prevail.

1.2 If the Contractor has member utilities which are either directly or indirectly receiving benefits from the contract, then the Contractor shall require such members to comply with Provisions 10, 17, 18, 19, 29, 30, 36, 43, 44, and 45 of these General Power Contract Provisions.

II. DELIVERY OF SERVICE PROVISIONS.

2. Character of Service.

Electric energy supplied or transmitted under the contract will be three-phase, alternating current, at a nominal frequency of sixty (60) hertz (cycles per second).

3. Use of Capacity or Energy in Excess of Contract Obligation.

The Contractor is not entitled to use Federal power, energy, or capacity in amounts greater than the Western contract delivery obligation in effect for each type of service provided for in the contract except with the approval of Western. Unauthorized overruns of contract delivery obligations shall be subject to charges specified in the contract or the applicable rate schedules. Overruns shall not establish any continuing right thereto and the Contractor shall cease any overruns when requested by Western, or in the case of authorized overruns, when the approval expires, whichever occurs first. Nothing in the contract shall obligate Western to increase any delivery obligation. If additional power, energy, or capacity is not available from Western, the responsibility for securing additional power, energy, or capacity shall rest wholly with the Contractor.

4. Continuity of Service.

Electric service will be supplied or transmitted continuously except for: (1) fluctuations, interruptions, or reductions due to uncontrollable forces, as defined in Provision 34 (Uncontrollable Forces) herein, (2) fluctuations, interruptions, or reductions due to operation of devices installed for power system protection; and (3) temporary fluctuations, interruptions, or reductions, which, in the opinion of the party supplying the service, are necessary or desirable for the purposes of maintenance, repairs, replacements, installation of equipment, or investigation and inspection. The party supplying service, except in case of emergency, will give the party to whom service is being provided reasonable advance notice of such temporary interruptions or reductions and will remove the cause thereof with diligence.

5. Multiple Points of Delivery.

When electric service is supplied at or transmitted to two or more points of delivery under the same rate schedule, said rate schedule shall apply separately to the service supplied at or transmitted to each point of

delivery; Provided, That where the meter readings are considered separately, and during abnormal conditions, the Contractor's system is interconnected between points of delivery such that duplication of metered power is possible, the meter readings at each affected point of delivery will be adjusted to compensate for duplication of power demand recorded by meters at alternate points of delivery due to abnormal conditions which are beyond the Contractor's control or temporary conditions caused by scheduled outages.

6. Metering.

6.1 The total electric power and energy supplied or transmitted under the contract will be measured by metering equipment to be furnished and maintained by Western, a designated representative of Western, or where situations deem it appropriate as determined by Western, by the Contractor or its agent(s). In the event metering equipment is furnished and maintained by the Contractor or its agent(s) and the equipment is used for billing and other accounting purposes by Western, the Contractor shall ensure that the metering equipment complies with applicable metering policies established by Western.

6.2 Meters shall be secured by appropriate security measures and meters shall not be accessed except when the meters are to be inspected, tested, adjusted, or repaired. Representatives of affected parties shall be afforded reasonable opportunity to be present upon such occasions. Metering equipment shall be inspected and tested each year by the party responsible for meter maintenance, unless a different test interval is determined in accordance with good utility practices by an applicable regional metering policy, or as agreed upon by the parties. Meters shall also be tested at any reasonable time upon request by a party hereto, or by an affected supplemental power supplier, transmission agent, or control area operator. Any metering equipment found to be damaged, defective, or inaccurate shall be repaired and readjusted or replaced by the party responsible for meter maintenance as soon as practicable. Meters found with security breaches shall be tested for tampering and, if appropriate, meter readings shall be adjusted by Western pursuant to Provision 6.3 below.

6.3 Except as otherwise provided in Provision 6.4 hereof, should any meter that is used by Western for billing or other accounting purposes fail to register accurately, the electric power and energy supplied or transmitted during the period of failure to register accurately, shall, for billing purposes, be estimated by Western from the best available information.

6.4 If inspections and tests of a meter used by Western for billing or other accounting purposes disclose an error exceeding 2 percent, or a lesser range in error as agreed upon by the parties, then a correction based upon the inaccuracy found shall be made to the service records for the period of inaccuracy as determined by Western. If the period of inaccuracy cannot be determined, the inaccuracy shall be assumed to have existed during the entire monthly billing period immediately preceding the billing period in which the inspection or test was made and the resulting correction shall be made accordingly.

6.5 Any correction in billing or other accounting information that results from a correction in meter records shall be made in a subsequent monthly bill rendered by Western to the Contractor. Payment of such bill shall constitute full adjustment of any claim between the parties arising out of inaccurate metering equipment.

7. Existence of Transmission Service Contract.

If the contract provides for Western to furnish services using the facilities of a third party, the obligation of Western shall be subject to and contingent upon the existence of a transmission service contract granting Western rights to use such facilities. If Western acquires or constructs facilities which would enable it to furnish direct service to the Contractor, Western, at its option, may furnish service over its own facilities.

8. Conditions of Transmission Service.

8.1 When the electric service under the contract is furnished by Western over the facilities of others by virtue of a transmission service arrangement, the power and energy will be furnished at the voltage available and under the conditions which exist from time to time on the transmission system over which the service is supplied.

8.2 Unless otherwise provided in the contract or applicable rate schedule, the Contractor shall maintain a power factor at each point of delivery from Western's transmission agent as required by the transmission agent.

8.3 Western will endeavor to inform the Contractor from time to time of any changes planned or proposed on the system over which the service is supplied, but the costs of any changes made necessary in the Contractor's system, because of changes or conditions on the system over which the service is supplied, shall not be a charge against or a liability of Western.

8.4 If the Contractor, because of changes or conditions on the system over which service under the contract is supplied, is required to make changes on its system at its own expense in order to continue receiving service under the contract, then the Contractor may terminate service under the contract upon not less than sixty (60) days written notice given to Western prior to making such changes, but not thereafter.

8.5 If Western notifies the Contractor that electric service provided for under the contract cannot be delivered to the Contractor because of an insufficiency of capacity available to Western in the facilities of others over which service under the contract is supplied, then the Contractor may terminate service under the contract upon not less than sixty (60) days written notice given to Western prior to the date on which said capacity ceases to be available to Western, but not thereafter.

9. Multiple Points of Delivery Involving Direct and Indirect Deliveries.

When Western has provided line and substation capacity under the contract for the purpose of delivering electric service directly to the Contractor at specified direct points of delivery and also has agreed to absorb transmission service allowance or discounts for deliveries of energy over other system(s) to indirect points of delivery and the Contractor shifts any of its load served under the contract from direct delivery to indirect delivery, Western will not absorb the transmission service costs on such shifted load until the unused capacity, as determined solely by Western, available at the direct delivery points affected is fully utilized.

10. Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of Contractor's Power System.

The Contractor shall, and, if applicable, shall require each of its members or transmission agents to construct, operate, and maintain its power system in a manner which, as determined by Western, will not interfere with the operation of the system of Western or its transmission agents over which electric services are furnished to the Contractor under the contract, and in a manner which will coordinate with the protective relaying and other protective arrangements of the system(s) of Western or Western's transmission agents. Western may reduce or discontinue furnishing services to the Contractor if, after notice by Western, the Contractor fails or refuses to make such changes as may be necessary to eliminate an unsatisfactory condition on the Contractor's power system which is determined by Western to interfere significantly under current or probable conditions with any service supplied from the power system of Western or from the power system of a transmission agent of Western. Such a reduction or discontinuance of service will not relieve the Contractor of liability for any minimum charges provided for in the contract during the time said services are reduced or discontinued. Nothing in this Provision shall be construed to render Western liable in any manner for any claims, demands, costs, losses, causes of action, damages, or liability of any kind or nature arising out of or resulting from the construction, operation, or maintenance of the Contractor's power system.

III. RATES, BILLING, AND PAYMENT PROVISIONS.

11. Change of Rates.

Rates applicable under the contract shall be subject to change by Western in accordance with appropriate rate adjustment procedures. If at any time the United States promulgates a rate changing a rate then in effect under the contract, it will promptly notify the Contractor thereof. Rates shall become effective as to the contract as of the effective date of such rate. The Contractor, by written notice to Western within ninety (90) days after the effective date of a rate change, may elect to terminate the service billed by Western under the new rate. Said termination shall be effective on the last day of the billing period requested by the Contractor not later than two (2) years after the effective date of the new rate. Service provided by Western shall be paid for at the new rate regardless of whether the Contractor exercises the option to terminate service.

12. Minimum Seasonal or Annual Capacity Charge.

When the rate in effect under the contract provides for a minimum seasonal or annual capacity charge, a statement of the minimum capacity charge due, if any, shall be included in the bill rendered for service for the last billing period of the service season or contract year as appropriate, adjusted for increases or decreases in the contract rate of delivery and for the number of billing periods during the year or season in which service is not provided. Where multiple points of delivery are involved and the contract rate of delivery is stated to be a maximum aggregate rate of delivery for all points, in determining the minimum seasonal or annual capacity charge due, if any, the monthly capacity charges at the individual points of delivery shall be added together.

13. Billing and Payment.

13.1 Western will normally issue bills to the Contractor for services furnished during the preceding month within ten (10) days after the end of the billing period.

13.2 If Western is unable to issue timely monthly bill(s), Western may elect to render estimated bill(s). Such estimated bill(s) shall be subject to the same payment provisions as final bill(s), and any applicable adjustments will be shown on a subsequent monthly bill.

13.3 Payments of bills issued by Western are due and payable by the Contractor before the close of business on the twentieth (20th) calendar day after the date of issuance of each bill or the next business day thereafter if said day is a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday. Bills shall be considered paid when payment is received by Western. Bills will be paid electronically or via the Automated Clearing House method of payment unless a written request to make payments by mail is submitted by the Contractor and approved by Western. Should Western agree to accept payments by mail, these payments will be accepted as timely and without assessment of the charge provided for in Provision 14 (Nonpayment of Bills in Full When Due) if a United States Post Office first class mail postmark indicates the payment was mailed at least three (3) calendar days before the due date.

13.4 The parties agree that net billing procedures will be used for payments due Western by the Contractor and for payments due the Contractor by Western for the sale or exchange of electric power and energy, use of transmission facilities, operation and maintenance of electric facilities, and other services. Payments due one party in any month shall be offset against payments due the other party in such month, and the resulting net balance shall be paid to the party in whose favor such balance exists. The parties shall exchange such reports and information that either party requires for billing purposes. Net billing shall not be used for any amounts due which are in dispute.

14. Nonpayment of Bills in Full When Due.

14.1 Bills not paid in full by the Contractor by the due date specified in Provision 13 (Billing and

Payment) hereof shall bear a charge of five hundredths percent (0.05%) of the principal sum unpaid for each day payment is delinquent, to be added until the amount due is paid in full. Western will also assess a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for processing a late payment. Payments received will first be applied to the charges for late payment assessed on the principal and then to payment of the principal.

14.2 Western shall have the right, upon not less than fifteen (15) days advance written notice, to discontinue furnishing the services specified in the contract for nonpayment of bills in full when due, and to refuse to resume such services so long as any part of the amount due remains unpaid. Such a discontinuance of service will not relieve the Contractor of liability for minimum charges during the time service is so discontinued. The rights reserved to Western herein shall be in addition to all other remedies available to Western either by law or in equity, for the breach of any of the terms hereof.

15. Adjustments for Fractional Billing Period.

The demand or capacity charge and minimum charges shall each be proportionately adjusted when fractional billing periods are applicable under this contract. A fractional billing period can occur: 1) at the beginning or end of electric service; 2) at the beginning or end of irrigation pumping service each year; 3) for a fractional billing period under a new rate schedule; or 4) for fractional periods due to withdrawals of electric services. The adjustment will be made based on the ratio of the number of hours that electric service is available to the Contractor in such fractional billing period, to the total number of hours in the billing period involved. Energy billing shall not be affected by fractional billing periods.

16. Adjustments for Curtailments to Firm Service.

16.1 Billing adjustments will be made if firm electric service is interrupted or reduced because of conditions on the power system of the United States for periods of one (1) hour or longer in duration each. Billing adjustments will not be made when such curtailment of electric service is due to a request by the Contractor or a discontinuance of electric service by Western pursuant to Provision 14 (Nonpayment of Bills In Full When Due). For purposes of billing adjustments under this Provision, the term power system of the United States shall include transmission facilities used under contract but not owned by the United States.

16.2 The total number of hours of curtailed firm electric service in any billing period shall be determined by adding: (1) the sum of the number of hours of interrupted electric service to (2) the product, of each reduction, of: the number of hours reduced electric service and the percentage by which electric service was reduced below the delivery obligation of Western at the time of each said reduction of electric service. The demand or capacity charge and applicable minimum charges shall each be proportionately adjusted in the ratio that the total number of hours of electric service determined to have been curtailed bears to the total number of hours in the billing period involved.

16.3 The Contractor shall make written claim within thirty (30) days after receiving the monthly bill, for adjustment on account of any curtailment of firm electric service, for periods of one (1) hour or longer in duration each, alleged to have occurred that is not reflected in said bill. Failure to make such written claim, within said thirty-day (30-day) period, shall constitute a waiver of said claim. All curtailments of electric service, which are due to conditions on the power system of the United States, shall be subject to the terms of this Provision; Provided, That withdrawal of power and energy under the contract shall not be considered a curtailment of electric service.

IV. POWER SALES PROVISIONS.

17. Resale of Firm Electric Service (Wholesale Sales for Resale).

17.1 The Contractor shall not sell any firm electric power or energy supplied under the contract to any electric utility customer of the Contractor for resale by that utility customer; Provided, That the Contractor may sell the electric power and energy supplied under the contract to its members on condition that said members not sell any of said power and energy to any customer of the member for resale by that customer.

17.2 Contractors receiving environmental attributes associated with any firm electric power or energy allocated under the contract may use, dispose of, transfer, or resell such environmental attributes in accordance with good utility practice.

18. Distribution Principles.

The Contractor agrees that the benefits of firm electric power or energy supplied under the contract shall be made available to its consumers at rates that are established at the lowest possible level consistent with sound business principles, and that these rates will be established in an open and public manner. The Contractor further agrees that it will identify the costs of firm electric power or energy supplied under the contract and power from other sources to its consumers upon request. The Contractor will demonstrate compliance with the requirements of this Provision to Western upon request.

19. Contract Subject to Colorado River Compact.

Where the energy sold under the contract is generated from waters of the Colorado River system, the contract is made upon the express condition and with the express covenant that all rights under the contract shall be subject to and controlled by the Colorado River Compact approved by Section 13 (a) of the Boulder Canyon Project Act of December 21, 1928, 43 U.S.C. §§ 617a-e, and the parties to the contract shall observe and be subject to and controlled by said Colorado River Compact in the construction, management, and operation of the dams, reservoirs, and powerplants from which electrical energy is to be furnished by Western to the Contractor under the contract, and in the storage, diversion, delivery, and use of water for the generation of electrical energy to be delivered by Western to the Contractor under the contract.

V. FACILITIES PROVISIONS.

20. Design Approval.

All facilities, construction, and installation by the Contractor pursuant to the contract shall be subject to the approval of Western. Facilities interconnections shall normally conform to Western's current "General Requirements for Interconnection," in effect upon the signing of the contract document providing for each interconnection, copies of which are available from Western. At least ninety (90) days, unless otherwise agreed, prior to the date the Contractor proposes to commence construction or to incur an obligation to purchase facilities to be installed pursuant to the contract, whichever date is the earlier, the Contractor shall submit, for the approval of Western, detailed designs, drawings, and specifications of the facilities the Contractor proposes to purchase, construct, and install. The Contractor assumes all risks for construction commenced or obligations to purchase facilities incurred prior to receipt of approval from Western. Western review and approval of designs and construction work in no way implies that Western is certifying that the designs meet the Contractor's needs.

21. Inspection and Acceptance.

Western shall have the right to inspect the materials and work furnished by the Contractor, its agents, employees, and subcontractors pursuant to the contract. Such inspections shall be at reasonable times at the work site. Any materials or work that Western determines is defective or not in accordance with designs, drawings, and specifications, as approved by Western, shall be replaced or modified, as directed by Western, at the sole expense of the Contractor before the new facilities are energized.

22. As-Built Drawings.

Within a reasonable time, as determined by Western, after the completion of construction and installation of facilities pursuant to the contract, the Contractor shall submit to Western marked as-built prints of all Western drawings affected by changes made pursuant to the contract and reproducible drawings the Contractor has prepared showing facilities of Western. The Contractor's drawings of Western facilities shall use drawing title blocks, drawing numbers, and shall be prepared in accordance with drafting standards all as approved by Western. Western may prepare, revise, or complete said drawings and bill the Contractor if the Contractor fails to provide such drawings to Western within a reasonable time as determined by Western.

23. Equipment Ownership Markers.

23.1 The Contractor shall identify all movable equipment and, to the extent agreed upon by the parties, all other salvageable facilities constructed or installed on the United States right-of-way or in Western substations pursuant to the contract which are owned by the Contractor, by permanently affixing thereto suitable markers clearly identifying the Contractor as the owner of said equipment and facilities.

23.2 If requested by the Contractor, Western shall identify all movable equipment and, to the extent agreed upon by the parties, all other salvageable facilities constructed or installed on the Contractor's right-of-way or in the Contractor's substations pursuant to the contract which are owned by the United States, by permanently affixing thereto suitable markers clearly identifying the United States as the owner of said equipment and facilities.

24. Third-Party Use of Facilities.

The Contractor shall notify Western of any proposed system change relating to the facilities governed by the contract or allowing third-party use of the facilities governed by the contract. If Western notifies the Contractor that said system change will, as solely determined by Western, adversely affect the operation of Western's system the Contractor shall, at no cost to Western, provide a solution to said adverse effect acceptable to Western.

25. Changes to Western Control Facilities.

If at any time during the term of the contract, Western determines that changes or additions to control, relay, or communications facilities are necessary to maintain the reliability or control of Western's transmission system, and said changes or additions are entirely or partially required because of the Contractor's equipment installed under the contract, such changes or additions shall, after consultation with the Contractor, be made by Western with all costs or a proportionate share of all costs, as determined by Western, to be paid by the Contractor. Western shall notify the Contractor in writing of the necessary changes or additions and the estimated costs to be paid by the Contractor. If the Contractor fails to pay its share of said estimated costs, Western shall have the right, after giving sixty (60) days' written notice to the Contractor, to terminate the applicable facility installation provisions to the contract and require the removal of the Contractor's facilities.

26. Modification of Western Facilities.

Western reserves the right, at any time, to modify its facilities. Western shall keep the Contractor informed of all planned modifications to Western facilities which impact the facilities installation pursuant to the contract. Western shall permit the Contractor to change or modify its facilities, in a manner satisfactory to and at no cost or expense to Western, to retain the facilities interconnection pursuant to the contract. At the Contractor's option, Western shall cooperate with the Contractor in planning alternate arrangements for service which shall be implemented at no cost or expense to Western. The Contractor and Western shall modify the contract, as necessary, to conform to the new facilities arrangements.

27. Transmission Rights.

If the contract involves an installation which sectionalizes a Western transmission line, the Contractor hereby agrees to provide a transmission path to Western across such sectionalizing facilities at no cost or expense to Western. Said transmission path shall be at least equal, in terms of capacity and reliability, to the path in the Western transmission line prior to the installation pursuant to the contract.

28. Construction and Safety Procedures.

28.1 The Contractor hereby acknowledges that it is aware of the hazards inherent in high-voltage electric lines and substations, and hereby assumes full responsibility at all times for the adoption and use of necessary safety measures required to prevent accidental harm to personnel engaged in the construction, inspection, testing, operation, maintenance, replacement, or removal activities of the Contractor pursuant to the contract. The Contractor and the authorized employees, agents, and subcontractors of the Contractor shall comply with all applicable safety laws and building and construction codes, including the provisions of Chapter 1 of the Power System Operations Manual, entitled Power System Switching Procedure, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations, Title 29 C.F.R. §§ 1910 and 1926, as amended or supplemented. In addition to the safety program required herein, upon request of the United States, the Contractor shall provide sufficient information to demonstrate that the Contractor's safety program is satisfactory to the United States.

28.2 The Contractor and its authorized employees, agents, and subcontractors shall familiarize themselves with the location and character of all the transmission facilities of Western and interconnections of others relating to the work performed by the Contractor under the contract. Prior to starting any construction, installation, or removal work, the Contractor shall submit a plan of procedure to Western which shall indicate the sequence and method of performing the work in a safe manner. No work shall be performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors until written authorization to proceed is obtained from Western.

28.3 At all times when the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors are performing activities of any type pursuant to the contract, such activities shall be under supervision of a qualified employee, agent, or subcontractor of the Contractor who shall be authorized to represent the Contractor in all matters pertaining to the activity being performed. The Contractor and Western will keep each other informed of the names of their designated representatives at the site.

28.4 Upon completion of its work, the Contractor shall remove from the vicinity of the right-of-way of the United States all buildings, rubbish, used materials, concrete forms, and other like material belonging to the Contractor or used under the Contractor's direction, and in the event of failure to do so the same may be removed by Western at the expense of the Contractor.

28.5 In the event the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors fail to comply with any requirement of this Provision, or Provision 21 (Inspection and Acceptance) herein, Western or an authorized representative may issue an order to stop all or any part of the work until such time as the Contractor demonstrates

compliance with the provision at issue. The Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall make no claim for compensation or damages resulting from such work stoppage.

29. Environmental Compliance.

Facilities installed under the contract by any party shall be constructed, operated, maintained, replaced, transported, and removed subject to compliance with all applicable laws, including but not limited to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 16 U.S.C. §§ 470x-6, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321-4347, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1531-1544, and the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, 16 U.S.C. §§ 470aa-470mm, and the regulations and executive orders implementing these laws, as they may be amended or supplemented, as well as any other existing or subsequent applicable laws, regulations, and executive orders.

30. Responsibility for Regulated Materials.

When either party owns equipment containing regulated material located on the other party's substation, switchyard, right-of-way, or other property, the equipment owner shall be responsible for all activities related to regulated materials in such equipment that are necessary to meet the requirements of the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 2601-2692, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901-6992k, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, 33 U.S.C. §§ 2702-2761, the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387, the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 300f-j26, and the regulations and executive orders implementing these laws, as they may be amended or supplemented, and any other existing or subsequent applicable laws, regulations, and executive orders. Each party shall label its equipment containing regulated material in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations. If the party owning the equipment does not perform activities required under appropriate laws and regulations within the time frame specified therein, the other party may perform or cause to be performed the required activities after notice to and at the sole expense of the party owning the equipment.

VI. OTHER PROVISIONS.

31. Authorized Representatives of the Parties.

Each party to the contract, by written notice to the other, shall designate the representative(s) who is (are) authorized to act in its behalf with respect to those matters contained in the contract which are the functions and responsibilities of the authorized representatives of the parties. Each party may change the designation of its authorized representative(s) upon oral notice given to the other, confirmed promptly by written notice.

32. Effect of Section Headings.

Section headings or Provision titles appearing in the contract or these General Power Contract Provisions are inserted for convenience only and shall not be construed as interpretations of text.

33. Operating Guidelines and Procedures.

The parties to the contract may agree upon and put into effect from time to time, such other written guidelines and procedures as may be required in order to establish the methods of operation of the power system to be followed in the performance of the contract.

34. Uncontrollable Forces.

Neither party to the contract shall be considered to be in default in performance of any of its obligations under the contract, except to make payment as specified in Provision 13 (Billing and Payment) herein, when a failure of performance shall be due to an uncontrollable force. The term "uncontrollable force" means any cause beyond the control of the party affected, including but not restricted to, failure of or threat of failure of facilities, flood, earthquake, storm, fire, lightning, epidemic, war, riot, civil disturbance or disobedience, labor dispute, labor or material shortage, sabotage, restraint by court order or public authority and action or nonaction by, or failure to obtain the necessary authorizations or approvals from, any governmental agency or authority, which by exercise of due diligence such party could not reasonably have been expected to avoid and which by exercise of due diligence it shall be unable to overcome. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to require a party to settle any strike or labor dispute in which it may be involved. Either party rendered unable to fulfill any of its obligations under the contract by reason of an uncontrollable force shall give prompt written notice of such fact to the other party and shall exercise due diligence to remove such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

35. Liability.

35.1 The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United States, its employees, agents, or contractors from any loss or damage and from any liability on account of personal injury, death, or property damage, or claims for personal injury, death, or property damage of any nature whatsoever and by whomsoever made arising out of the Contractors', its employees', agents', or subcontractors' construction, operation, maintenance, or replacement activities under the contract.

35.2 The United States is liable only for negligence on the part of its officers and employees in accordance with the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1346(b), 1346(c), 2401(b), 2402, 2671, 2672, 2674-2680, as amended or supplemented.

36. Cooperation of Contracting Parties.

If, in the operation and maintenance of their respective power systems or electrical equipment and the utilization thereof for the purposes of the contract, it becomes necessary by reason of any emergency or extraordinary condition for either party to request the other to furnish personnel, materials, tools, and equipment for the accomplishment thereof, the party so requested shall cooperate with the other and render such assistance as the party so requested may determine to be available. The party making such request, upon receipt of properly itemized bills from the other party, shall reimburse the party rendering such assistance for all costs properly and reasonably incurred by it in such performance, including administrative and general expenses, such costs to be determined on the basis of current charges or rates used in its own operations by the party rendering assistance. Issuance and payment of bills for services provided by Western shall be in accordance with Provisions 13 (Billing and Payment) and 14 (Nonpayment of Bills in Full When Due) herein. Western shall pay bills issued by the Contractor for services provided as soon as the necessary vouchers can be prepared which shall normally be within twenty (20) days.

37. Transfer of Interest in Contract or Change in Preference Status.

37.1 No voluntary transfer of the contract or of the rights of the Contractor under the contract shall be made without the prior written approval of the Administrator of Western. Any voluntary transfer of the contract or of the rights of the Contractor under the contract made without the prior written approval of the Administrator of Western may result in the termination of the contract; Provided, That the written approval of the Administrator shall not be unreasonably withheld; Provided further, That if the Contractor operates a project financed in whole or in part by the Rural Utilities Service, the Contractor may transfer or assign its interest in the contract to the Rural Utilities Service or any other department or agency of the Federal Government without such prior written approval; Provided further, That any successor to or assignee of the rights of the Contractor, whether by voluntary transfer, judicial sale,

foreclosure sale, or otherwise, shall be subject to all the provisions and conditions of the contract to the same extent as though such successor or assignee were the original Contractor under the contract; and, Provided further, That the execution of a mortgage or trust deed, or judicial or foreclosure sales made thereunder, shall not be deemed voluntary transfers within the meaning of this Provision.

37.2 The Contractor shall maintain its status as an entity eligible for preference in Western's sale of Federal power pursuant to Reclamation law, as amended and supplemented.

37.3 Western shall give the Contractor written notice of Western's proposed determination that the Contractor has violated Provision 37.1 and Western's proposed action in response to the violation.

37.4 The Contractor shall have 120 days after receipt of Western's notice provided under Provision 37.3 to submit a written response to Western. The Contractor may also make an oral presentation to the Administrator during this 120-day period.

37.5 At any time during this process, the Contractor and Western may agree upon corrective action to resolve Western's proposed determination that the Contractor is in violation of Provision 37.1.

37.6 Within 30 days of receipt of the Contractor's written response provided under Provision 37.4, Western will notify the Contractor in writing of its final decision. The Administrator's written notice will include the intended action, the effective date thereof, and the reasons for taking the intended action. Implementation of the Administrator's action shall take place no earlier than 60 days from the Contractor's receipt of such notice.

37.7 Any successor to Western shall be subject to all the provisions and conditions of the contract to the same extent as though such successor were an original signatory to the contract.

37.8 Nothing in this Provision shall preclude any right to judicial review available to the Contractor under Federal law.

38. Choice of Law and Forum.

Federal law shall control the obligations and procedures established by this contract and the performance and enforcement thereof. The forum for litigation arising from this contract shall exclusively be a Federal court of the United States, unless the parties agree to pursue alternative dispute resolution.

39. Waivers.

Any waivers at any time by either party to the contract of its rights with respect to a default or any other matter arising under or in connection with the contract shall not be deemed a waiver with respect to any subsequent default or matter.

40. Notices.

Any notice, demand, or request specifically required by the contract or these Provisions to be in writing shall be considered properly given when delivered in person or sent by postage prepaid registered or certified mail, commercial delivery service, facsimile, electronic, prepaid telegram, or by other means with prior agreement of the parties, to each party's authorized representative at the principal offices of the party. The designation of the person to be notified may be changed at any time by similar notice. Where facsimile or electronic means are utilized for any communication covered by this Provision, the sending party shall keep a contemporaneous record of such communications and shall verify receipt by the other party.

41. Contingent Upon Appropriations and Authorization.

41.1 Where activities provided for in the contract extend beyond the current fiscal year, continued expenditures by the United States are contingent upon Congress making the necessary appropriations required for the continued performance of the United States' obligations under the contract. In case such appropriation is not made, the Contractor hereby releases the United States from its contractual obligations and from all liability due to the failure of Congress to make such appropriation.

41.2 In order to receive and expend funds advanced from the Contractor necessary for the continued performance of the obligations of the United States under the contract, additional authorization may be required. In case such authorization is not received, the Contractor hereby releases the United States from those contractual obligations and from all liability due to the lack of such authorization.

42. Covenant Against Contingent Fees.

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

43. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards.

The contract, to the extent that it is of a character specified in Section 103 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (Act), 40 U.S.C. § 3701, as amended or supplemented, is subject to the provisions of the Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708, as amended or supplemented, and to regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the Act.

44. Compliance with Federal Anti-Discrimination Laws.

44.1 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws. Compliance with applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws is material to eligibility for and payment under this contract for purposes of 31 U.S.C. 3729(b)(4).

44.2 By executing this agreement, the Contractor certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, it does not operate programs promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws. "Program promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion" means a program whose purpose is to promote preferences based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origins, such as in training or hiring.

44.3 Indian Tribes and tribal organizations may apply Indian preference to the extent permitted by Federal law.

45. Use of Convict Labor.

The Contractor agrees not to employ any person undergoing sentence of imprisonment in performing the contract except as provided by 18 U.S.C. § 3622(c), as amended or supplemented, and Executive Order No. 11755, 39 Fed. Reg. 779 (1973), as amended or supplemented.

RESOLUTION NUMBER _____

A resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement retaining HDR, Inc., to evaluate electric generation equipment and to develop a comprehensive strategy for the procurement, permitting, and installation of electric generation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement retaining HDR, Inc., to evaluate electric generation equipment and to develop a comprehensive strategy for the procurement, permitting, and installation of electric generation. A copy of said Agreement, marked as "Exhibit A", is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025.

Attest:

Erin Saathoff, MMC, City Clerk

Robert Morgan, Mayor

This document has important legal consequences; consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its use or modification. This document should be adapted to the particular circumstances of the contemplated Project and the controlling Laws and Regulations.

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This is an Agreement between **[Name of Owner]** (Owner) and **[Name of Engineer]** (Engineer). Owner's Project, of which Engineer's services under this Agreement are a part, is generally identified as **[Name of Project]** (Project). Other terms used in this Agreement are defined in Article 7. Engineer's services under this Agreement are generally identified as **[Description of Engineer's services]**.

Owner and Engineer further agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1—SERVICES OF ENGINEER

1.01 Scope

- A. Engineer shall provide, or cause to be provided, the services set forth herein and in Exhibit A.
- B. All phases of service will include Management of Engineering Services as shown in Exhibit A.

ARTICLE 2—OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

2.01 Project Information

- A. To the extent Owner has not already provided the following, or has new, additional, or revised information from that previously provided, Owner shall provide Engineer with information and data needed by Engineer in the performance of Basic and Additional Services, including Owner's:
 - 1. design objectives and constraints;
 - 2. space, capacity, and performance requirements;
 - 3. flexibility and expandability needs;
 - 4. design and construction standards;
 - 5. budgetary limitations; and
 - 6. any other available information pertinent to the Project including reports and data relative to previous designs, construction, or investigation at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. Following Engineer's assessment of initially-available Project information and data and upon Engineer's request, Owner shall obtain, furnish, or otherwise make available (if necessary through retention of specialists or consultants) such additional Project-related information and data as is reasonably required to enable Engineer to complete its Basic and Additional Services; or, with consent of Engineer, Owner may authorize the Engineer to obtain or provide all or part of such additional information as Additional Services. Such additional information or data may include the following:
 - 1. Property descriptions.
 - 2. Zoning, deed, and other land use restrictions.
 - 3. Surveys, topographic mapping, and utility documentation.
 - 4. Property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, and other special surveys or data, including establishing relevant reference points.

5. Explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site; geotechnical reports and investigations; drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site; hydrographic surveys, laboratory tests and inspections of samples, materials, and equipment; appropriate professional interpretation of such information or data.
 6. Environmental assessments, audits, investigations, and impact statements, and other relevant environmental, historical, or cultural studies relevant to the Project, the Site, and adjacent areas.
 7. Data or consultations as required for the Project but not otherwise identified in this Agreement.
- C. Owner shall examine all alternative solutions, studies, reports, sketches, Drawings, Specifications, proposals, and other documents presented by Engineer (including obtaining advice of an attorney, risk manager, insurance counselor, financial/municipal advisor, and other advisors or consultants as Owner deems appropriate with respect to such examination) and render in writing timely decisions pertaining thereto.
 - D. Owner shall furnish to Engineer data as to Owner's anticipated costs for services to be provided to Owner by others (including, but not limited to, accounting, bond and financial, independent cost estimating, insurance counseling, and legal advice) so that Engineer may assist Owner in collating the various cost categories that comprise Total Project Costs.
 - E. Owner shall advise Engineer if any invention, design, process, product, or device that Owner has requested, required, or recommended for inclusion in the Drawings or Specifications will be subject to payment (whether by Owner or Contractor) of any license fee or royalty to others, as required by patent rights or copyrights.
 - F. Owner shall inform Engineer as to whether Engineer's assistance is requested with respect to Owner's evaluation of the possible use of Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques, as defined in Exhibit A.
 - G. Owner shall inform Engineer as to whether Engineer's assistance is requested in identifying opportunities for enhancing the sustainability of the Project.
- 2.02 Owner's Instructions Regarding Bidding/Proposal and Front-End Construction Contract Documents
- A. Owner shall give instructions to Engineer regarding Owner's procurement of construction services (including instructions regarding advertisements for bids, instructions to bidders, and requests for proposals, as applicable) and Owner's construction contract practices and requirements, and furnish to Engineer (or give specific directions requesting Engineer to use copies already in Engineer's possession) the following:
 1. Owner's standard contract forms, general conditions (if other than the current edition of EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract), supplementary conditions, text, and related documents and content for Engineer to include in the draft Bidding/Proposal Documents, and in draft Front-End Construction Contract Documents;
 2. insurance and bonding requirements;
 3. protocols for electronic transmittals during bidding and construction;

4. Owner's safety and security programs applicable to Contractor and other Constructors;
 5. diversity and other social responsibility requirements;
 6. bidding and contract requirements of funding, financing, or regulatory entities;
 7. other specific conditions applicable to the procurement of construction or contract documents;
 8. any other information necessary for Engineer to assist Owner in preparing its Bidding/Proposal Documents and Front-End Construction Contract Documents.
- B. Owner shall have responsibility for the final content of (1) such Bidding/Proposal Documents, and (2) such Front-End Construction Contract Documents, other than content furnished by Engineer concerning the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise) or other engineering or technical matters.
1. Owner shall seek the advice of Owner's legal counsel, risk managers, and insurance advisors with respect to the drafting and content of such documents.
- C. If there will be an advertisement soliciting bids for construction, Owner shall place and pay for such advertisement.

2.03 Owner-Furnished Services

- A. Recognizing and acknowledging that Engineer's services and expertise do not include the following services, Owner shall obtain, as required for the Project:
1. Accounting, bond and financial advisory services (including, if applicable, "municipal advisor" services as described in Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) and the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission), independent cost estimating, and insurance counseling services.
 2. Legal services, including attorney review of proposed Construction Contract Documents, legal services required by Owner, legal services needed as a result of issues raised by Contractor, and Project-related legal services reasonably requested by Engineer.
 3. Auditing services, including those needed by Owner to ascertain how or for what purpose Contractor has used money paid to it.
- B. Owner shall provide the services of an independent testing laboratory to perform all inspections, tests, and approvals of samples, materials, and equipment required by the Construction Contract Documents (other than those required to be furnished or arranged by Contractor), or to evaluate the performance of materials, equipment, and facilities of Owner, prior to their incorporation into the Work with appropriate professional interpretation thereof. Owner shall provide Engineer with the findings and reports generated by testing laboratories, including findings and reports obtained from or through Contractor.
- C. Owner shall acquire or arrange for acquisition of the Site(s) and any temporary or permanent rights of access, easements, or property rights needed for the Project.
- D. With respect to the portions or phases of the Project designed or specified by Engineer, Owner shall provide, obtain, or arrange for:

1. all required reviews, approvals, consents, and permits from governmental authorities having jurisdiction, and
 2. such reviews, approvals, and consents from others as may be necessary for completion of each portion or phase of the Project.
- E. Owner may delegate to Contractor or others the responsibilities set forth in Paragraphs 2.03.C and D.

2.04 Owner's General Responsibilities

- A. Owner shall inform Engineer of the policies, procedures, and requirements of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement.
- B. Owner shall provide Engineer with Owner's budget for the Project, including type and source of funding to be used, and will promptly inform Engineer if the budget or funding sources change.
- C. Owner shall inform Engineer in writing of any safety or security programs that are applicable to the personnel of Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, as they visit the Site or otherwise perform services under this Agreement.
- D. Owner shall arrange for safe access to and make all provisions for Engineer to enter upon public and private property as required for Engineer to perform services under this Agreement.
- E. Owner shall provide necessary direction and make decisions, including prompt review of Engineer's submittals, and carry out its other responsibilities in a timely manner so as not to delay Engineer's performance of its services.
- F. Owner shall be responsible for all requirements and instructions that it furnishes to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement, and for the accuracy and completeness of all programs, reports, data, and other information furnished by Owner to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement. Engineer may use and rely upon such requirements, programs, instructions, reports, data, and information in performing or furnishing services under this Agreement, subject to any express limitations or reservations applicable to the furnished items.
- G. Owner shall give prompt written notice to Engineer whenever Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of:
 1. any development that affects the scope or time of performance of Engineer's services;
 2. the presence at the Site of any Constituent of Concern; or
 3. any relevant, material defect or nonconformance in: (a) Engineer's services, (b) the Work, (c) the performance of any Constructor, or (d) Owner's performance of its responsibilities under this Agreement.
- H. Owner shall advise Engineer of the identity and scope of services of any independent consultants employed by Owner to perform or furnish services in regard to the Project, including, but not limited to, cost estimating, project peer review, value engineering, and constructability review.
- I. If Owner designates a construction manager, site representative, or any individual or entity other than, or in addition to, Engineer to represent Owner at the Site, Owner shall define and set forth as an exhibit to this Agreement the duties, responsibilities, and limitations of

authority of such other party and the relation thereof to the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer.

J. Owner shall:

1. Attend and participate in the pre-bid conference, bid opening, pre-construction conferences, construction progress and other job-related meetings, and Site visits to determine Substantial Completion and readiness of the completed Work for final payment.
2. Primarily communicate with Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants through the Engineer.
 - a. Promptly inform Engineer of the substance of any communications between Owner and Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants.
 - b. Refrain from directing the services of Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants.
3. Authorize Engineer to provide Additional Services as set forth in Article 2 of Exhibit A of the Agreement, as required.

2.05 Payment

- A. Owner shall pay Engineer as set forth in Article 4 and Exhibit J.
- B. Engineer's compensation is summarized as follows; if there is a conflict between the following summary and the contents of Exhibit J, then Exhibit J will prevail.

Description of Service		Amount
1.	Task 0100	\$134,406

ARTICLE 3—SCHEDULE FOR RENDERING SERVICES

3.01 Commencement

- A. Engineer is authorized to begin rendering services as of the Effective Date.

3.02 Time for Completion

- A. Engineer shall complete its obligations within a reasonable time. Specific periods of time for rendering services, or specific dates by which services are to be completed, are provided in Exhibit B, and are hereby agreed to be reasonable.
- B. If, through no fault of Engineer, such periods of time or dates are changed, or the orderly and continuous progress of Engineer's services is impaired, or Engineer's services are delayed or suspended, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, will be adjusted equitably.
- C. If Owner authorizes changes in the scope, extent, or character of the Project or Engineer's services, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, will be adjusted equitably.
- D. If Engineer fails, for reasons within control of Engineer, to complete the performance required in this Agreement within the time set forth, as duly adjusted, then Owner shall be

entitled to the recovery of damages to the extent, if any, resulting from such failure by Engineer.

ARTICLE 4—INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

4.01 Invoices

- A. Preparation and Submittal of Invoices: Engineer shall prepare invoices in accordance with its standard invoicing practices, the progress reporting and special invoicing requirements (if any) in Exhibit A Paragraph 1.01.A, and the terms of Exhibit J. Engineer shall submit its invoices to Owner on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 30 days of receipt.

4.02 Payments

- A. Application to Interest and Principal: Payment will be credited first to any interest owed to Engineer and then to principal.
- B. Disputed Invoices: If Owner disputes an invoice, either as to amount or entitlement, then Owner shall promptly advise Engineer in writing of the specific basis for doing so; may withhold only that portion so disputed; and must pay the undisputed portion, subject to the terms of Paragraph 4.01. After a disputed item has been resolved, Engineer shall include the agreed-upon amount on a new invoice.
- C. Failure to Pay: If Owner fails to make any undisputed payment due Engineer within 30 days after receipt of Engineer's invoice, then:
 - 1. amounts due Engineer will be increased at the rate of 1.0% per month (or the maximum rate of interest permitted by law, if less) from said thirtieth day, and
 - 2. Engineer may, after giving 7 days' written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement until Owner has paid in full amounts due. Owner waives any and all claims against Engineer for any such suspension.
- D. Sales or Use Taxes: If after the Effective Date any governmental entity takes an action that imposes additional sales or use taxes on Engineer's services or compensation under this Agreement, then Engineer may invoice such additional sales or use taxes for reimbursement by Owner. Owner shall reimburse Engineer for the cost of such invoiced additional sales or use taxes; such reimbursement will be in addition to the compensation to which Engineer is entitled under the terms of Exhibit J.

ARTICLE 5—OPINIONS OF COST

5.01 Opinions of Probable Construction Cost

- A. Engineer's opinions of probable Construction Cost (if any) are to be made on the basis of Engineer's experience, qualifications, and general familiarity with the construction industry. However, because Engineer has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment, or services furnished by others, or over contractors' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Engineer cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or actual Construction Cost will not vary from opinions of probable Construction Cost prepared by Engineer. If Owner requires greater assurance as to probable Construction Cost, then Owner agrees to obtain an independent cost estimate.

5.02 Opinions of Total Project Costs

- A. The services, if any, of Engineer with respect to Total Project Costs will be limited to assisting the Owner in tabulating the various categories that comprise Total Project Costs. Engineer assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of any opinions of Total Project Costs.

ARTICLE 6—GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

6.01 Standards of Performance

- A. **Standard of Care:** The standard of care for all professional engineering and related services performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the subject profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality. Engineer makes no warranties, express or implied, under this Agreement or otherwise, in connection with any services performed or furnished by Engineer.
- B. **Technical Accuracy:** Owner shall not be responsible for discovering deficiencies in the technical accuracy of Engineer's services. Engineer shall correct deficiencies in technical accuracy without additional compensation, unless such corrective action is directly attributable to deficiencies in Owner-furnished information.
- C. **Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants:** Engineer may retain such Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants as Engineer deems necessary to assist in the performance or furnishing of the services, subject to reasonable, timely, and substantive objections by Owner.
- D. **Reliance on Others:** Subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 6.01.A, Engineer may use or rely upon design elements and information ordinarily or customarily furnished by others, including, but not limited to delegated design professionals retained by Constructor, specialty contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and the publishers of technical standards.
- E. **Compliance with Laws and Regulations, and Policies and Procedures**
 - 1. Engineer and Owner shall comply with applicable Laws and Regulations.
 - 2. Engineer shall comply with the policies, procedures, and instructions of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and that Owner provides to Engineer in writing, subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 6.01.A, and to the extent compliance is not inconsistent with professional practice requirements.
 - 3. This Agreement is based on Laws and Regulations and Owner-provided written policies and procedures as of the Effective Date. The following may be the basis for modifications to Owner's responsibilities or to Engineer's scope of services, times of performance, or compensation:
 - a. changes after the Effective Date to Laws and Regulations,
 - b. the receipt by Engineer after the Effective Date of Owner-provided written policies and procedures, and
 - c. changes after the Effective Date to Owner-provided written policies or procedures.

- F. General Conditions of Construction Contract: The general conditions for any Construction Contract Documents prepared hereunder are to be the current edition of EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, prepared by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee, unless expressly indicated otherwise.
- G. Copies of Drawings and Specifications: If Engineer is required to prepare or furnish Drawings or Specifications under this Agreement, Engineer shall deliver to Owner at least one complete electronic copy of such Drawings and Specifications, signed and sealed according to applicable Laws and Regulations, and one complete printed copy, duly signed and sealed.
- H. Engineer shall not be required to sign any document, no matter by whom requested, that would result in Engineer having to certify, guarantee, or warrant conditions whose existence Engineer cannot ascertain within the authorized scope of Engineer's services. Owner agrees not to make resolution of any dispute with Engineer or payment of any amount due to Engineer in any way contingent upon Engineer signing any such document.
- I. Engineer shall not at any time supervise, direct, control, or have authority over any Constructor's work, nor will Engineer have authority over or be responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, for security or safety at the Site, nor for any failure of a Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to that Constructor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Constructor.
- J. Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish and perform the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
- K. Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the Construction Contract Documents, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the Construction Contract Documents, other than those made by Engineer.
- L. Engineer is not required to provide and does not have any responsibility for surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements.
- M. Engineer's services do not include providing legal advice or representation.
- N. Engineer's services do not include (1) serving as a "municipal advisor" for purposes of the registration requirements of Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) or the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or (2) advising Owner, or any municipal entity or other person or entity, regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities, including advice with respect to the structure, timing, terms, or other similar matters concerning such products or issuances.
- O. While at the Site, Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, and their employees and representatives will comply with the applicable requirements of Contractor's and Owner's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed in writing.

6.02 Ownership and Use of Documents

- A. All Documents are instruments of service, and Engineer owns the Documents, including all associated copyrights and the right of reuse at the discretion of the Engineer, subject to the following provisions:
1. Upon receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents and subject to the express exclusions that follow, Engineer and any Subconsultants will grant to Owner the ownership of the Documents, including all associated copyrights and the right of reuse.
 2. When requested by Owner, Engineer will perform any clerical or administrative acts reasonably necessary to confirm or record the transfer of Engineer's interests in the Documents to the Owner, and Owner will reimburse the Engineer for its costs to comply with the transfer request.
 3. Engineer shall have and retain the ownership, title, and property rights, including copyright, patent, intellectual property, and common law rights, in any design elements (including but not limited to standard details, drawings, plans, specifications, methodologies, and engineering computations) used in the Documents, but developed by Engineer or its Subconsultants previous to or independent of this Agreement ("Previously/Independently Created Works"). Engineer shall provide appropriate verification of such previous or independent development upon Owner's request.
 4. Upon receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents, Engineer will issue to Owner a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to use such Previously/Independently Created Works on the Project or on any extension of the Project.
 5. Owner acknowledges that the Documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on the Project unless completed by Engineer, or for use or reuse by Owner or others on extensions of the Project, on any other project, or for any other use or purpose, without written verification or adaptation by Engineer.
 6. Any such use or reuse, or any modification of the Documents, without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer, as appropriate for the specific purpose intended, will be at Owner's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Engineer or to its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants.
 7. Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Subconsultants from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from any use, reuse, or modification of the Documents without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer.
 8. Such limited license to Owner shall not create any rights in third parties.
 9. Nothing herein limits the Engineer's right of use or reuse of Previously/Independently Created Works or any of Engineer's non-Document work product.
- B. If Engineer at Owner's request verifies the suitability of the Documents, completes them, or adapts them for extensions of the Project or for any other purpose, then Owner shall compensate Engineer at rates or in an amount to be agreed upon by Owner and Engineer.

- C. Engineer shall inform Owner if Engineer is aware of any invention, design, process, product, or device specified in the Drawings, Specifications, or other Documents that is subject to payment (whether by Owner or Contractor) of any license fee or royalty to others, as required by patent rights or copyrights. If Engineer's good-faith inclusion in the Drawings, Specifications, or other Documents of new, innovative, or non-standard technologies, for the benefit of Owner and the Project, results in third-party claims of infringement or violation of intellectual property rights, then Owner and Engineer shall share equally the costs of defending against, settling, or paying such claims.
- D. Engineer will obtain Owner's consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld, prior to releasing any publicity, including news and press releases, promotional publications, award and prize competition submittals, and other advertising regarding the subject matter of this Agreement. Nothing herein will limit the Engineer's right to include information in statements of qualifications and proposals to others accurately describing its participation and participation of employees in the Project.

6.03 Electronic Transmittals

- A. To the fullest extent practical, Owner and Engineer agree to transmit, and accept, Project-related correspondence, Documents, text, data, drawings, information, and graphics, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website, in accordance with Exhibit F, Electronic Documents Protocol (EDP).
 - 1. Compliance with the EDP by Engineer shall be considered a Basic Service and no direct or separate compensation will be paid to Engineer for such compliance, unless provisions for separate compensation are expressly set forth in the EDP.
 - 2. Engineer's costs directly attributable to changes in Engineer's Electronic Documents obligations, after the effective date of this Agreement, necessitated by revisions to Exhibit F, delayed adoption of Exhibit F, or implementation of other Electronic Documents protocols, will be compensated as Additional Services.
- B. If this Agreement does not include Exhibit F or otherwise does not establish or include protocols for transmittal of Electronic Documents by Electronic Means, then Owner and Engineer may operate without specific protocols or may jointly develop such protocols at a later date.
- C. Except as stated otherwise in Exhibit F (if included in this Agreement), when transmitting Electronic Documents by Electronic Means, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the Electronic Documents 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 Electronic Documents, or from those established in applicable protocols.
- D. This Agreement (including the EDP) is not intended to create obligations for Owner or Engineer with respect to transmittals to or from third parties, except as expressly stated in the EDP.

6.04 Insurance

- A. Engineer shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G.
- B. Additional Insureds: The Engineer's commercial general liability, automobile liability, and umbrella or excess liability policies, must:

1. include and list as additional insureds Owner, and any individuals or entities identified as additional insureds in Exhibit G;
 2. include coverage for the respective officers, directors, members, partners, and employees of all such additional insureds;
 3. afford primary coverage to these additional insureds for all claims covered thereby (including as applicable those arising from both ongoing and completed operations); and
 4. not seek contribution from insurance maintained by the additional insured.
- C. Owner shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G.
- D. Owner shall require Contractor to purchase and maintain policies of insurance covering workers' compensation, general liability, motor vehicle damage and injuries, and other insurance necessary to protect Owner's and Engineer's interests in the Project. Owner shall require Contractor to cause Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors to be listed as additional insureds with respect to such liability insurance purchased and maintained by Contractor for the Project. Owner shall give Engineer access to any certificates of insurance and copies of endorsements and policies obtained by Owner from Contractor.
- E. Owner and Engineer shall each deliver to the other certificates of insurance evidencing the coverages indicated in Exhibit G. Such certificates must be furnished prior to commencement of Engineer's services and at renewals thereafter during the life of the Agreement.
1. Upon request by Owner or any other insured, Engineer shall also furnish other evidence of such required insurance, including but not limited to copies of policies and endorsements, documentation of applicable self-insured retentions (if allowed) and deductibles, full disclosure of all relevant exclusions, and evidence of insurance required to be purchased and maintained by Subconsultants and Engineer's Subcontractors. In any documentation furnished under this provision, Engineer may redact (a) any confidential premium or pricing information and (b) any wording specific to projects or jurisdictions other than those applicable to this Agreement.
- F. All construction contracts entered into by Owner with respect to the Project must require builder's risk or similar property insurance.
- G. All policies of property insurance relating to the Project, including but not limited to any builder's risk or similar policy, must allow for waiver of subrogation rights and 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 insured thereunder or against Engineer, its Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors. Owner and Engineer waive all rights against each other, Contractor, Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants, 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 any such builder's risk or similar policy and any other property insurance relating to the Project. Owner and Engineer shall take appropriate measures in other Project-related contracts to secure waivers of rights consistent with those set forth in this paragraph.
- H. All policies of insurance must contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled, and that renewal will not be refused, until at least 10 days' prior written

notice has been given to the primary insured. Upon receipt of such notice, the primary insured must promptly forward a copy of the notice to the other party to this Agreement and replace the coverage being cancelled or reduced to conform to the requirements of this Agreement.

- I. At any time, Owner may request that Engineer, or Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants, at Owner's sole expense, provide additional insurance coverage, increased limits, or revised deductibles that are more protective than those specified in Exhibit G. If so requested by Owner, and if commercially available, Engineer shall obtain and shall require Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants to obtain such additional insurance coverage, different limits, or revised deductibles for such periods of time as requested by Owner, and Exhibit G will be supplemented to incorporate these requirements.

6.05 Suspension and Termination

A. Suspension

1. By Owner: Owner may suspend Engineer's services for up to 90 days upon 7 days' written notice to Engineer.
2. By Engineer: Engineer may, after giving 7 days' written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement:
 - a. if Owner has failed to pay Engineer for invoiced services and expenses, as set forth in Paragraphs 4.02.B and 4.02.C;
 - b. in response to the presence of Constituents of Concern at the Site, as set forth in Paragraph 6.09.D; or
 - c. if persistent circumstances beyond the control of Engineer have prevented it from performing its obligations under this Agreement.

B. Termination for Cause

1. Either party may terminate the Agreement for cause upon 30 days' written notice in the event of material failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, through no fault of the terminating party.
 - a. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement will not terminate under Paragraph 6.05.B.1 if the party receiving such notice begins, within 7 days of receipt of such notice, to correct its substantial failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure within no more than 30 days of receipt thereof; provided, however, that if and to the extent such substantial failure cannot be reasonably cured within such 30-day period, and if such party has diligently attempted to cure the same and thereafter continues diligently to cure the same, then the cure period provided for herein will extend up to, but in no case more than, 60 days after the date of receipt of the notice.
2. In addition to its termination rights in Paragraph 6.05.B.1, Engineer may terminate this Agreement for cause upon 7 days' written notice:
 - a. if Owner demands that Engineer furnish or perform services contrary to Engineer's responsibilities as a licensed professional;

specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement.

- C. Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement:
1. All duties and responsibilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement will be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Owner and Engineer and not for the benefit of any other party.
 2. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to create, impose, or give rise to any duty owed by Owner or Engineer to any Constructor, other third-party individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee of any of them.
 3. Owner agrees that the substance of the provisions of this Paragraph 6.06.C will appear in the Construction Contract Documents.

6.07 Dispute Resolution

- A. Unless otherwise required by Exhibit H, Owner and Engineer shall resolve all disputes in the following manner:
1. Owner and Engineer agree to negotiate all disputes between them in good faith for a period of 30 days from the date of notice, prior to invoking mediation.
 2. Owner and Engineer agree that they shall first submit any and all unsettled claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between them arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach thereof (“Disputes”) to mediation. Owner and Engineer agree to participate in the mediation process in good faith. The process will be conducted on a confidential basis, and must be completed within 120 days.
 3. If the parties fail to resolve a Dispute through negotiations under Paragraph 6.07.A.1 or mediation under Paragraph 6.07.A.2, then:
 - a. either or both may invoke the applicable dispute resolution procedures of Exhibit H for final resolution of Disputes.
 - b. If Exhibit H is not included, or if no final dispute resolution method is specified in Exhibit H, then the parties may exercise their rights at law.

6.08 Controlling Law; Venue

- A. This Agreement is to be governed by the Laws and Regulations of the state in which the Project is located.
- B. Venue for any exercise of rights at law will be the state court having jurisdiction at the location of the Project; or at the choice of either party, and if federal jurisdictional requirements can be met, in federal court in the district in which the Project is located.

6.09 Environmental Condition of Site

- A. Owner represents to Engineer that, as of the Effective Date, to the best of Owner’s knowledge, no Constituents of Concern, other than those disclosed in writing to Engineer, exist at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. Undisclosed Constituents of Concern: For purposes of this Paragraph 6.09, the presence at or adjacent to the Site of Constituents of Concern that were not disclosed to Engineer pursuant to Paragraph 6.09.A, in such quantities or circumstances that such Constituents of

Concern may present a danger to persons or property exposed to them, will be referred to as “undisclosed” Constituents of Concern.

1. 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 this Agreement or the Construction Contract, are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern.
 2. Constituents of Concern that are to be located, identified, studied, removed, or remediated as part of the services under this Agreement are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern.
 3. Constituents of Concern that are to be located, identified, studied, removed, or remediated as part of the services under another professional services contract for Owner, or as part of the work under a construction or remediation contract, are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern if Engineer has been informed of the general scope of such contract.
- C. If Engineer encounters or learns of an undisclosed Constituent of Concern at the Site, then Engineer shall notify (1) Owner and (2) appropriate authorities having jurisdiction if Engineer reasonably concludes that doing so is required by applicable Laws or Regulations.
- D. It is acknowledged by both parties that Engineer’s scope of services does not include any services related to undisclosed Constituents of Concern. If Engineer or any other party encounters, uncovers, or reveals an undisclosed Constituent of Concern, or if encountered, uncovered, or revealed Constituents of Concern are present in substantially greater quantities or substantially different locations than disclosed or anticipated, or if investigative or remedial action, or other professional services, are necessary or required by applicable Laws and Regulations with respect to such Constituents of Concern, then Engineer may, at its option and without liability for direct, consequential, or any other damages, suspend performance of services on the portion of the Project adversely affected thereby until such portion of the Project is no longer so affected; and Owner shall promptly determine whether to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take any necessary corrective action.
- E. If the presence at the Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern, or of Constituents of Concern in substantially greater quantities or in substantially different locations than disclosed or anticipated, adversely affects the performance of Engineer’s services under this Agreement, then:
1. if the adverse effects do not preclude Engineer from completing its Project services in general accordance with this Agreement on unaffected or marginally affected portions of the Project, Engineer may accept an equitable adjustment in its compensation or in the time of completion, or both; and the Agreement will be amended to reflect changes necessitated by the presence of such Constituents of Concern; or
 2. if the adverse effects are of such materiality to the overall performance of Engineer that it cannot complete its services without significant changes to the scope of services, time of completion, and compensation, then Engineer may terminate this Agreement for cause on 7 days’ written notice.

- F. Owner acknowledges that Engineer is performing professional services for Owner and that Engineer is not and will not be required to become an "owner," "arranger," "operator," "generator," or "transporter" of hazardous substances, as defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, which are or may be encountered at or near the Site in connection with Engineer's activities under this Agreement.

6.10 Indemnification and Mutual Waiver

- A. Indemnification by Engineer: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Engineer shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner, and Owner's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, and employees, from losses, damages, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorneys' fees and expenses) arising from third-party claims or actions relating to the Project, provided that any such claim, action, loss, damages, or judgment is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors. This indemnification provision is subject to and limited by the provisions, if any, agreed to by Owner and Engineer in Exhibit I, "Limitations of Liability."
- B. Environmental Indemnification: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer, its Subconsultants, Engineer's Subcontractors, and their officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and subconsultants from all claims, costs, losses, damages, actions, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorney's fees and expenses) caused by, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from a Constituent of Concern at, on, or under the Site, provided that:
 - 1. any such claim, cost, loss, damages, action, or judgment is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom, and
 - 2. nothing in this paragraph obligates Owner to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence or willful misconduct.
- C. No Defense Obligation: The indemnification commitments in this Agreement do not include a defense obligation by the indemnitor unless such obligation is expressly stated.
- D. Percentage Share of Negligence: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, a party's total liability to the other party and anyone claiming by, through, or under the other party for any cost, loss, or damages caused in part by the negligence of the party and in part by the negligence of the other party or any other negligent entity or individual, will not exceed the percentage share that the party's negligence bears to the total negligence of Owner, Engineer, and all other negligent entities and individuals.
- E. Mutual Waiver: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner and Engineer waive against each other, and the other's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, subconsultants, and insurers, any and all claims for or entitlement to special, incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to this Agreement or the Project, from any cause or causes. Such excluded damages

include but are not limited to loss of profits or revenue; loss of use or opportunity; loss of good will; cost of substitute facilities, goods, or services; and cost of capital.

6.11 Records Retention

- A. Engineer shall maintain on file in legible form, for a period of five years following completion or termination of its services, or such other period as required by Laws and Regulations, all Documents, records (including cost records), and design calculations related to Engineer's services or pertinent to Engineer's performance under this Agreement. Upon Owner's request, Engineer shall provide a copy of any such item to Owner at cost.

6.12 Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Notices: Any notice required under this Agreement will be in writing, and delivered: in person (by commercial courier or otherwise); by registered or certified mail; or by e-mail to the recipient, with the words "Formal Notice" or similar in the e-mail's subject line. All such notices are effective upon the date of receipt.
- B. Survival: Subject to applicable Laws and Regulations, all express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.
- C. Severability: Any provision or part of the Agreement held to be void or unenforceable under any Laws or Regulations will be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions will continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Engineer.
- D. No Waiver: A party's non-enforcement of any provision will not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor will it affect the enforceability of that provision or of the remainder of this Agreement.
- E. Accrual of Claims: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, all causes of action arising under this Agreement will be deemed to have accrued, and all statutory periods of limitation will commence, no later than the date of Substantial Completion; or, if Engineer's services do not include Construction Phase services, or the Project is not completed, then no later than the date of Owner's last payment to Engineer.
- F. Operational Technology Systems: Owner agrees that the effectiveness of operational technology systems ("OT Systems") and features designed or recommended by Engineer are dependent upon Owner's continued operation and maintenance of the OT Systems in accordance with all standards, best practices, laws, and regulations that govern the operation and maintenance of the OT Systems. Owner shall be solely responsible for operating and maintaining the OT System in accordance with applicable industry standards (i.e. ISA, NIST, etc.) and best practices, which generally include but are not limited to, cyber security policies and procedures, documentation and training requirements, continuous monitoring of assets for tampering and intrusion, periodic evaluation for asset vulnerabilities, implementation and update of appropriate technical, physical, and operational standards, and offline testing of all software/firmware patches/updates prior to placing updates into production. Additionally, Owner recognizes and agrees that OT Systems are subject to internal and external breach, compromise, and similar incidents. Security features designed or recommended by Engineer are intended to reduce the likelihood that OT Systems will be compromised by such incidents. However, Engineer does not guarantee

that Owner's OT Systems are impenetrable and Owner agrees to waive any claims against Engineer resulting from any such incidents that relate to or affect Owner's OT Systems.

ARTICLE 7—DEFINITIONS

7.01 Defined Terms

- A. Wherever used in this Agreement (including the exhibits hereto) terms (including the singular and plural forms) printed with initial capital letters have the meanings indicated in the text above, in the exhibits, or in the following definitions:
1. **Addenda**—Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of bids which clarify, correct, or change the bidding requirements or the proposed Construction Contract Documents.
 2. **Additional Services**—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Article 2 of Exhibit A of this Agreement.
 3. **Agreement**—This written contract for professional services between Owner and Engineer, including all exhibits identified in Paragraph 8.01 and any duly executed amendments.
 4. **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 Construction Contract.
 5. **Basic Services**—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Article 1 of Exhibit A of this Agreement.
 6. **Bidding/Proposal Documents**—Documents related to the selection of the Contractor, including advertisements or invitations to bid; requests for proposals; instructions to bidders or proposers, including any attachments such as lists of available Site-related documents; bid forms; bids; proposal forms; proposals; bidding requirements; and qualifications documents.
 7. **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 Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times, or other revision to the Construction Contract, issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract.
 8. **Change Proposal**—A written request by Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth in the Construction Contract, seeking an adjustment in Construction Contract Price or Construction Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Construction Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Construction Contract.
 9. **Constituents of Concern**—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive materials, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), lead-based paint (as defined by the HUD/EPA standard), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to Laws and Regulations

regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.

10. Construction Contract—The entire and integrated written contract between Owner and Contractor concerning the Work.
11. Construction Contract Documents—Those items designated as “Contract Documents” in the Construction Contract, and which together comprise the Construction Contract. See also definition of “Front-End Construction Contract Documents” below.
12. Construction Contract Price—The money that Owner has agreed to pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
13. Construction Contract Times—The number of days or the dates by which Contractor must: (a) achieve milestones, if any, in the Construction Contract; (b) achieve Substantial Completion; and (c) complete the Work.
14. Construction Cost—The cost to Owner of the construction of those portions of the entire Project designed or specified by or for Engineer under this Agreement, including construction labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, and allowances for contingencies. Construction Cost does not include costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants; cost of land or rights-of-way, or compensation for damages to property; Owner’s costs for legal, accounting, insurance counseling, or auditing services; interest or financing charges incurred in connection with the Project; or the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner. Construction Cost is one of the items comprising Total Project Costs.
15. Constructor—Any person or entity (not including the Engineer, its employees, agents, representatives, or Subconsultants, or Engineer’s Subcontractors), performing or supporting construction activities relating to the Project, including but not limited to Contractors, Subcontractors, Suppliers, Owner’s work forces, utility companies, other contractors, construction managers, design-builders, testing firms, shippers, and truckers, and the employees, agents, and representatives of any or all of them.
16. Contractor—The entity or individual with which Owner enters into a Construction Contract.
17. Documents—All documents expressly identified as deliverables in this Agreement, whether in printed or Electronic Document form, required by this Agreement to be provided or furnished by Engineer to Owner. Such specifically required deliverables may include, by way of example, Drawings, Specifications, data, reports, building information models, and civil integrated management models.
18. Drawings—That part of the Construction Contract Documents that graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor.
19. Effective Date—The date indicated in this Agreement on which it becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, the date on which this Agreement is signed and delivered by the last of the parties to sign and deliver.
20. Electronic Document—Any Project-related correspondence, attachments to correspondence, data, documents, drawings, information, or graphics, including but not limited to Shop Drawings and other Submittals, that are in an electronic or digital format.

21. **Electronic Means**—Electronic mail (e-mail), upload/download from a secure Project website, or other communications methods that allow: (a) the transmission or communication of Electronic Documents; (b) the documentation of transmissions, including sending and receipt; (c) printing of the transmitted Electronic Document by the recipient; (d) the storage and archiving of the Electronic Document by sender and recipient; and (e) the use by recipient of the Electronic Document for purposes permitted by this Agreement. Electronic Means does not include the use of text messaging, or of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or similar social media services for transmission of Electronic Documents.
22. **Engineer**—The individual or entity named as such in this Agreement.
23. **Engineer’s Subcontractor**—An individual, firm, vendor, or other entity having a contract with Engineer to furnish general services, equipment, or materials with respect to the Project as an independent contractor.
24. **Field Order**—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times.
25. **Front-End Construction Contract Documents**—Those Construction Contract Documents whose primary purpose is to establish legal and contractual terms and conditions, typically including the Owner-Contractor agreement, bonds, general conditions, and supplementary conditions. The term excludes the Drawings and Specifications, and any Construction Contract Documents delivered or issued after the effective date of the Construction Contract.
26. **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.
27. **Owner**—The individual or entity named as such in this Agreement and for which Engineer's services are to be performed. Unless indicated otherwise, this is the same individual or entity that will enter into any Construction Contracts concerning the Project.
28. **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 services to be performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement are a part.
29. **Record Drawings**—Drawings depicting the completed Project, or a specific portion of the completed Project, prepared by Engineer and based on Contractor's record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, and written interpretations and clarifications, as delivered to Engineer and annotated by Contractor to show changes made during construction.
30. **Resident Project Representative**—The authorized representative of Engineer assigned to assist Engineer at the Site during the Construction Phase. As used herein, the term Resident Project Representative (RPR) includes any assistants or field staff of the RPR.

31. 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.
32. 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 Construction Contract Documents.
33. Site—Lands or areas to be indicated in the Construction 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.
34. Specifications—The part of the Construction Contract Documents 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.
35. Subconsultant—An individual, design firm, consultant, or other entity having a contract with Engineer to furnish professional services with respect to the Project as an independent contractor.
36. 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.
37. Submittal—A written or graphic document, prepared by or for Contractor, which the Construction Contract Documents require Contractor to submit to Engineer, or that is indicated as a Submittal in the Schedule of Submittals accepted by Engineer. Submittals may include Shop Drawings and Samples; schedules; product data; Owner-delegated designs; sustainable design information; information on special procedures; testing plans; results of tests and evaluations, source quality-control testing and inspections, and field or Site quality-control testing and inspections; warranties and certifications; Suppliers' instructions and reports; records of delivery of spare parts and tools; operations and maintenance data; Project photographic documentation; record documents; and other such documents required by the Construction Contract Documents. Submittals, whether or not approved or accepted by Engineer, are not Construction Contract Documents. Change Proposals, Change Orders, Claims, notices, Applications for Payment, and requests for interpretation or clarification are not Submittals.
38. 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 Construction 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.
39. 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.

40. Total Project Costs—The total cost of planning, studying, designing, constructing, testing, commissioning, and start-up of the Project, including Construction Cost and all other Project labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, allowances for contingencies, and the total costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants, together with such other Project-related costs that Owner furnishes for inclusion, including but not limited to cost of land, rights-of-way, compensation for damages to properties and private utilities (including relocation if not part of Construction Cost), Owner’s costs for legal, accounting, insurance counseling, and auditing services, interest and financing charges incurred in connection with the Project, and the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner.
41. Underground Facilities—All active or not-in-service underground lines, pipelines, conduits, ducts, encasements, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or systems at the Site, including but not limited to those facilities or systems that produce, transmit, distribute, or convey telephone or other communications, cable television, fiber optic transmissions, power, electricity, light, heat, gases, oil, crude oil products, liquid petroleum products, water, steam, waste, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems. An abandoned facility or system is not an Underground Facility.
42. Work—The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Construction 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 Construction Contract Documents.
43. Work Change Directive—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract, signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer, ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work.

B. Terminology

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

ARTICLE 8—EXHIBITS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

8.01 Exhibits to Agreement

The following exhibits are incorporated by reference and included as part of this Agreement:

- A. Exhibit A, Engineer’s Services.
- B. Exhibit B, Deliverables Schedule.
- C. Exhibit C, Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement (form).
- D. Exhibit D, Duties, Responsibilities and Limitations of Authority of Resident Project Representative.
- E. Exhibit E, EJCDC® C-626, Notice of Acceptability of Work (form).

- F. Exhibit F, Electronic Documents Protocol (EDP).
- G. Exhibit G, Insurance.
- H. Exhibit H, Dispute Resolution.
- I. Exhibit I, Limitations of Liability.
- J. Exhibit J, Payments to Engineer for Services and Reimbursable Expenses.

8.02 Total Agreement

- A. This Agreement (which includes the exhibits listed above) constitutes the entire contractual agreement between Owner and Engineer and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings. This Agreement may only be amended, supplemented, modified, or canceled by a written instrument duly executed by both parties. Amendments should be based whenever possible on the format of Exhibit C to this Agreement.

8.03 Designated Representatives

- A. With the execution of this Agreement, Engineer and Owner shall each designate a specific individual to act as representative under this Agreement. Such an individual must have authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and render decisions with respect to this Agreement on behalf of the party that the individual represents.

8.04 Engineer's Certifications

- A. Engineer certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Agreement. For the purposes of this Paragraph 8.04:
 - 1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in the Agreement execution;
 - 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the selection process or the execution of the Agreement to the detriment of Owner, or (b) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
 - 3. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the selection process or affect the execution of the Agreement.

8.05 Conflict of Interest

- A. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to create or impose any duty on the part of Engineer that would be in conflict with Engineer's paramount obligations to the public health, safety, and welfare under the professional practice requirements governing Engineer, its Subconsultants, and all licensed professionals employed by Engineer or its Subconsultants.
- B. If during the term of this Agreement a potential or actual conflict of interest arises or is identified:
 - 1. Engineer and Owner together will make reasonable, good faith efforts to avoid or eliminate the conflict of interest; to mitigate any adverse consequences of the conflict of interest; and, if necessary and feasible, to modify this Agreement to address the

conflict of interest and its consequences, such that progress under the Agreement may continue.

2. Such efforts will be governed by applicable Laws and Regulations and by any pertinent Owner's policies, procedures, and requirements (including any conflict of interest resolution methodologies) provided to Engineer under Paragraph 2.04.A of this Agreement.

This Agreement's Effective Date is _____.

Owner:

Engineer:

(name of organization)

(name of organization)

By: _____
(individual's signature)

By: _____
(individual's signature)

Date: _____
(date signed)

Date: _____
(date signed)

Name: _____
(typed or printed)

Name: _____
(typed or printed)

Title: _____
(typed or printed)

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(typed or printed)

Attach evidence of authority to sign.

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Attest: _____
(individual's signature)

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(individual's signature)

Title: _____
(typed or printed)

Title: _____
(typed or printed)

Address for giving notices:

Address for giving notices:

Designated Representative:

Designated Representative:

Name: _____
(typed or printed)

Name: _____
(typed or printed)

Title: _____
(typed or printed)

Title: _____
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Address:

Address:

Phone: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Email: _____

EXHIBIT A—ENGINEER’S SERVICES

Task 0100 – Conceptual Development Phase

- Objectives:**
- Review study work previously completed by others related to the project.
 - Establish fundamental project structure and protocols.
 - Develop a comprehensive plan for successful project execution.

- HDR Activities:**
1. Project Management Tasks
 - a. Establish and maintain proper communication protocols with the City of Beatrice (“the City”) to be utilized throughout the Project.
 - b. Develop and update overall project schedule and budget.
 - c. Manage HDR’s internal team resources.
 - d. Submit monthly invoices and progress reports to the City.
 - e. Perform administrative functions including consultation, arranging meetings, documenting meeting minutes, documenting stakeholder communications, filing/storing project information and providing progress reports on a regular basis.
 - f. Develop preliminary project risk matrix.
 - g. Establish and maintain a proper document control process and procedure.
 - h. Facilitate weekly project status and update meetings.
 - i. Participate in routine project calls.
 2. Technology Review/Selection
 - a. Review the City’s expected electricity needs and planned usage profile.
 - b. Evaluate possible major equipment for electric generation based on the City’s needs and available infrastructure.
 - c. Recommend a size range for Combustion Turbine Generators (CTGs) and/or Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engine (RICE) Generators.
 3. Contract Strategy Development
 - a. Develop a comprehensive contract strategy for project completion. It is anticipated that Owner Furnished Equipment (OFE) and installation by an EPC Contractor will be the primary contracting method. The EPC Contract will include balance of plant (BOP) engineering and procurement, engineering for OFE, complete construction, complete start-up and commissioning.
 - b. For all procurement activities, a one-step RFP process is anticipated (bidders submit qualifications with priced proposal). However, if a two-step process is desired by the City for some procurement activities (pre-qualification of bidders before issuing the RFP), that will be determined during Task 0100.

- c. For all procurement activities, a plan will be established for the expected number of bidders and the expected number of parties to negotiate with before contract award (negotiate with one finalist or simultaneously negotiate with multiple bidders).
 - d. Determine the City's desire to have Long Term Service Agreements (LTSA) with OFE vendors.
 - e. Determine if construction or procurement contracts will be required outside of the EPC Contractor's scope (i.e. site pre-grading activities, off-site natural gas system improvements, substation modifications, transmission line upgrades). If so, determine responsibility for execution of that work.
4. Permit Strategy Development
- a. Develop a preliminary permit matrix. Matrix to include requirements for major permits, reviewing agencies, expected schedule impacts, and responsible parties for completing and submitting applications (the City or EPC Contractor). Anticipated major permits are SPP interconnection and air quality construction and operation.
 - b. Develop a strategy for securing major permits. This will include expected timing and information needed to support the desired construction schedule.
 - c. Develop a strategy for securing permits (EPC-led or City-led).
5. Project Schedule Development
- a. Develop, update, and track high level milestone schedule for the project. Key elements to be included in the schedule are: OFE milestones, major permitting milestones, EPC bidding process, and EPC contract execution.
 - b. Identify an initial critical path schedule.

Anticipated Meetings:

- Weekly meetings attended by two (2) HDR team members are anticipated for the duration of the project. Meetings will be conducted via Teams or a similar online meeting platform.

Task Deliverables:

- A spreadsheet will be maintained by HDR for weekly team coordination calls. It will include open and closed action items. It will serve as the agendas and meeting notes for regular City-HDR internal team calls.
- Monthly invoice and progress reports.
- Draft version of Project Execution Plan (PEP) to be submitted to the City for review. PEP to include:
 - Summary of technology considered for electric generation.
 - Recommendation/selection of electric generation equipment.
 - Procurement schedule for Owner Furnished Equipment (OFE).
 - High level project schedule.

- High level Opinion of Probable Construction Cost (OPCC).
 - Contract strategy.
 - Permitting strategy.
 - Preliminary risk matrix.
- Final version of PEP.

Information and Services Provided by Others:

- Existing information about the project site to be provided by the City.
- The City to provide information on any adjacent site utilities required for the project (natural gas, water, sewer, telecom, etc.).
- The City to provide one (1) set of consolidated, non-conflicting comments on all submitted documents.

Key Understandings and Assumptions:

- HDR understands that the City is seeking to have new generation resources online by the end of 2030. However, if this intended schedule cannot be met, HDR understands that the City will purchase needed electricity until the new plant is ready for commercial operation. The project goal will be to have new generation assets online by the end of 2030.
- Pricing and schedule information for major equipment provided in prior reports completed by others will be confirmed or updated in Task 0100.
- Task 0100 activities are assumed to last from August 2025 through January 2026 (6 months).
- HDR will contact vendors regarding expected lead time for items anticipated to be purchased by the City outside of an EPC contract. This equipment includes generation equipment (CTG or RICE), Generator Step-Up (GS)U Transformers, Unit Auxiliary Transformers (UAT), 115 kV Circuit breakers, and 115 kV Disconnect Switches. Task 0100 does not include preparation of equipment procurement documents for any specific equipment; those activities will be accomplished in a later Task.
- Project critical path schedule will be high level milestone-based schedule.
- The accuracy of OPCC is dependent upon how well the project has been defined when OPCC is prepared. HDR will indicate the accuracy range of the OPCC as it is developed.
- All deliverables will be provided in common electronic format (PDF, DOCX, XLSX, or similar).

EXHIBIT B—DELIVERABLES SCHEDULE

See Exhibit A for Deliverables Information.

EXHIBIT C—AMENDMENT TO OWNER-ENGINEER AGREEMENT

AMENDMENT TO OWNER-ENGINEER AGREEMENT

Amendment No. **[Enter Amendment Number]**

Owner: **[Name of Owner]**

Engineer: **[Name of Engineer]**

Project: **[Name of Project]**

Effective Date of Owner-Engineer Agreement: **[Effective Date of Agreement]**

Nature of Amendment: (Check those that apply)

- Additional Services to be performed by Engineer
- Modifications to services of Engineer
- Modifications to responsibilities of Owner
- Modifications of payment to Engineer
- Modifications to time(s) for rendering services
- Modifications to other terms and conditions of the Agreement

Description of Modifications:

[Here describe the modifications, in as much specificity and detail as needed. Use an attachment if necessary. Include cost breakdown and documentation, if applicable.]

Agreement Summary:

Original agreement amount: \$

Net change for prior amendments: \$

This amendment amount: \$

Adjusted Agreement amount: \$

Change in time for services (days or date, as applicable):

Owner and Engineer hereby agree to modify the above-referenced Agreement as set forth in this Amendment. The Effective Date of the Amendment is **[Enter Effective Date of Amendment]**.

Owner

Engineer

(typed or printed name of organization)

(typed or printed name of organization)

By:

(individual's signature)

By:

(individual's signature)

(Attach evidence of authority to sign.)

(Attach evidence of authority to sign.)

Date:

(date signed)

Date:

(date signed)

Name:

(typed or printed)

Name:

(typed or printed)

Title:

(typed or printed)

Title:

(typed or printed)

EXHIBIT D—DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND LIMITATIONS OF AUTHORITY OF RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE

ARTICLE 1—RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE SERVICES

Article 1 of the Agreement, Services of Engineer, and Exhibit A, Engineer's Services, are supplemented to include Exhibit D Paragraphs 1.01, 1.02, and 1.03, as follows:

1.01 Resident Project Representative

- A. Engineer shall furnish a Resident Project Representative ("RPR") to observe progress and quality of the Work. RPR is Engineer's representative at the Site, will act as directed by and under the supervision of Engineer, and will confer with Engineer regarding RPR's actions.
- B. The RPR will provide full-time representation [**revise if representation will be less than full time**].
- C. Subject to the scope of RPR's observations of the Work, which may include field checks of materials and installed equipment, Engineer shall endeavor to identify defects and deficiencies in the Work. However, Engineer shall not, as a result of such RPR observations of the Work, supervise, direct, inspect, or have control over the Work, nor shall Engineer (including the RPR) have authority over or responsibility for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, for security or safety at the Site, for safety precautions and programs incident to the Work or any Constructor's work in progress, for the coordination of the Constructors' work or schedules, or for any failure of any Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performing and furnishing of its work. The Engineer (including RPR) neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish and perform the Work, or any portion of the Work, in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents. In addition, the specific terms set forth in Exhibit A Paragraph 1.06 are applicable.

1.02 Duties and Responsibilities of RPR

- A. The duties and responsibilities of the RPR are as follows:
 1. General: RPR's dealings in matters pertaining to the Work in general will be with Contractor. RPR's dealings with Subcontractors shall only be through or with the full knowledge and approval of Contractor. RPR shall generally communicate with Owner only with the knowledge of and under the direction of Engineer.
 2. Schedules: Review the progress schedule, schedule of Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, schedule of values, and other schedules prepared by Contractor and consult with Engineer concerning acceptability of such schedules.
 3. Conferences and Meetings: Attend meetings with Contractor, such as preconstruction conferences, progress meetings, job conferences, and other Project-related meetings (but not including Contractor's safety meetings), and as appropriate prepare and circulate copies of minutes thereof.

4. Safety Compliance: Comply with Site safety programs, as they apply to RPR, and if required to do so by such safety programs, receive safety training specifically related to RPR's own personal safety while at the Site.
5. Liaison
 - a. Serve as Engineer's liaison with Contractor. Working principally through Contractor's authorized representative or designee, assist in providing information regarding the provisions and intent of the Construction Contract Documents.
 - b. Assist Engineer in serving as Owner's liaison with Contractor when Contractor's operations affect Owner's on-Site operations.
 - c. Assist in obtaining from Owner additional details or information, when required for proper execution of the Work.
6. Clarifications and Interpretations: Receive from Contractor submittal of any matters in question concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents (sometimes referred to as requests for information or interpretation—RFIs), or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Construction Contract Documents. Report to Engineer regarding such RFIs. Report to Engineer when clarifications and interpretations of the Construction Contract Documents are needed, whether as the result of a Contractor RFI or otherwise. Transmit Engineer's clarifications, interpretations, and decisions to Contractor.
7. Shop Drawings, Samples, and other Submittals
 - a. Receive Samples that are furnished at the Site by Contractor.
 - b. Receive Contractor-approved Shop Drawings.
 - c. Receive other Submittals from Contractor.
 - d. Record date of receipt of Samples, Contractor-approved Shop Drawings, and other Submittals.
 - e. Notify Engineer of availability of Samples for examination, and forward Contractor-approved Shop Drawings and other Submittals to Engineer. When appropriate recommend distribution of Submittal to specified Subconsultants.
 - f. Advise Engineer and Contractor of the commencement of any portion of the Work requiring a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal, if RPR believes that the submittal has not been received from Contractor, or has not been approved by Contractor or Engineer.
8. Proposed Modifications: Consider and evaluate Contractor's suggestions for modifications to the Drawings or Specifications, and report such suggestions, together with RPR's recommendations, if any, to Engineer. Transmit Engineer's response (if any) to such suggestions to Contractor.
9. Review of Work; Defective Work
 - a. Report to Engineer whenever RPR believes that any part of the Work is defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents, and provide recommendations as to whether such Work should be corrected,

removed and replaced, or accepted as provided in the Construction Contract Documents.

- b. Inform Engineer of any Work that RPR believes is not defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents, but is nonetheless not compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole, and provide recommendations to Engineer for addressing such Work.
- c. Advise Engineer of that part of the Work that RPR believes should be uncovered for observation, or requires special testing, inspection, or approval.

10. Inspections, Tests, and System Start-ups

- a. Consult with Engineer in advance of scheduled inspections, tests, and systems start-ups.
- b. Verify that tests, equipment, and systems start-ups and operating and maintenance training are conducted in the presence of appropriate Owner's personnel, and that Contractor maintains adequate records thereof.
- c. Observe, record, and report to Engineer appropriate details relative to the test procedures and systems start-ups.
- d. Observe whether Contractor has arranged for inspections required by Laws and Regulations, including but not limited to those to be performed by public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the Work.
- e. Accompany visiting inspectors representing public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the Work, record the results of these inspections, and report to Engineer.
- f. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to require RPR to conduct inspections.

11. Records

- a. Maintain at the Site orderly files for correspondence, reports of job conferences, copies of Construction Contract Documents including all Change Proposals, Change Orders, Field Orders, Work Change Directives, Addenda, additional Drawings issued subsequent to the execution of the Construction Contract, RFIs, Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Construction Contract Documents, progress reports, approved Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, and other Project-related documents.
- b. Prepare a daily report or keep a diary or log book, recording Contractor's hours on the Site, Subcontractors present at the Site, weather conditions, data relative to questions of Change Proposals, Change Orders, Field Orders, Work Change Directives, or changed conditions, Site visitors, deliveries of equipment or materials, daily activities, decisions, observations in general, and specific observations in more detail as in the case of observing test procedures; and send copies to Engineer.
- c. Upon request from Owner to Engineer, photograph or video Work in progress or Site conditions.

- d. Record and maintain accurate, up-to-date lists of the company names and points of contact for Contractors, Subcontractors, and major Suppliers of materials and equipment.
- e. Maintain records for use in preparing Project documentation.
- f. Upon completion of the Work, furnish original set of all RPR Project documentation to designated recipients.

12. Reports

- a. Furnish periodic reports as required of progress of the Work and of Contractor's compliance with the progress schedule and schedule of Shop Drawing and Sample submittals.
- b. Draft responses to or make recommends on Change Proposals, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, and Field Orders. Obtain backup material from Contractor.
- c. Furnish to Engineer and Owner copies of all inspection, test, and system start-up reports.
- d. Immediately inform appropriate parties of the occurrence of any Site accidents, emergencies, natural catastrophes endangering the Work, possible force majeure or delay events, damage to property by fire or other causes, or the discovery of any potential differing site condition or Constituent of Concern.

13. Payment Requests: Review applications for payment with Contractor for compliance with the established procedure for their submission and forward with recommendations to Engineer, noting particularly the relationship of the payment requested to the schedule of values, Work completed, and materials and equipment delivered at the Site but not incorporated in the Work.

14. Certificates, Operation and Maintenance Manuals: During the course of the Work, verify that materials and equipment certificates, operation and maintenance manuals and other data required by the Contract Documents to be assembled and furnished by Contractor are applicable to the items actually installed and in accordance with the Contract Documents, and have these documents delivered to Engineer for review and forwarding to Owner prior to payment for that part of the Work.

15. Completion

- a. Participate in Engineer's visits to the Site regarding Substantial Completion, assist in the determination of Substantial Completion, and prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Substantial Completion submit a punch list of observed items requiring completion or correction.
- b. Participate in Engineer's visit to the Site in the company of Owner and Contractor, to determine completion of the Work, and prepare a final punch list of items to be completed or corrected by Contractor.
- c. Observe whether all items on the final punch list have been completed or corrected, and make recommendations to Engineer concerning acceptance and issuance of the Notice of Acceptability of the Work (Exhibit E).

1.03 Limitations of Authority

A. Resident Project Representative shall not:

1. Authorize any deviation from the Construction Contract Documents or substitution of materials or equipment (including "or-equal" items).
2. Exceed limitations of Engineer's authority as set forth in this Agreement.
3. Undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors, or Suppliers, or any Constructor.
4. Advise on, issue directions relative to, or assume control over any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of the Work, by Contractor or any other Constructor.
5. Advise on, issue directions regarding, or assume control over security or safety practices, precautions, and programs in connection with the activities or operations of Owner or Contractor.
6. Participate in specialized field or laboratory tests or inspections conducted off-site by others except as specifically authorized by Engineer.
7. Accept Shop Drawing or Sample submittals from anyone other than Contractor.
8. Authorize Owner to occupy the Project in whole or in part.

NOTICE OF ACCEPTABILITY OF WORK (EJCDC® C-626 2018)

Owner: _____ Owner's Project No.: _____
Engineer: _____ Engineer's Project No.: _____
Contractor: _____ Contractor's Project No.: _____
Project: _____
Contract Name: _____
Notice Date: _____ Effective Date of the Construction Contract: _____

The Engineer hereby gives notice to the Owner and Contractor that Engineer recommends final payment to Contractor, and that the Work furnished and performed by Contractor under the Construction Contract is acceptable, expressly subject to the provisions of the Construction Contract's Contract Documents ("Contract Documents") and of the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services dated **[date of professional services agreement]** ("Owner Engineer Agreement"). This Notice of Acceptability of Work (Notice) is made expressly subject to the following terms and conditions to which all who receive and rely on said Notice agree:

1. This Notice has been prepared with the skill and care ordinarily used by members of the engineering profession practicing under similar conditions at the same time and in the same locality.
2. This Notice reflects and is an expression of the Engineer's professional opinion.
3. This Notice has been prepared to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information, and belief as of the Notice Date.
4. This Notice is based entirely on and expressly limited by the scope of services Engineer has been employed by Owner to perform or furnish during construction of the Project (including observation of the Contractor's Work) under the Owner Engineer Agreement, and applies only to facts that are within Engineer's knowledge or could reasonably have been ascertained by Engineer as a result of carrying out the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer under such Owner Engineer Agreement.
5. This Notice is not a guarantee or warranty of Contractor's performance under the Construction Contract, an acceptance of Work that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents, including but not limited to defective Work discovered after final inspection, nor an assumption of responsibility for any failure of Contractor to furnish and perform the Work thereunder in accordance with the Contract Documents, or to otherwise comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein.
6. This Notice does not relieve Contractor of any surviving obligations under the Construction Contract, and is subject to Owner's reservations of rights with respect to completion and final payment.

Engineer

By (signature): _____
Name (printed): _____
Title: _____

EXHIBIT F—ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS PROTOCOL (EDP)

ARTICLE 1—ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS PROTOCOL (EDP)

Paragraph 6.03 of the Agreement is supplemented by the following Exhibit F Paragraph 1.01 and Exhibit F—Attachment 1: Software Requirements for Electronic Document Exchange:

1.01 Electronic Documents Protocol

A. Electronic Transmittals: The parties shall conform to the following provisions together referred to as the Electronic Documents Protocol ("EDP" or "Protocol") for exchange of electronic transmittals.

1. Basic Requirements

- a. To the fullest extent practical, the parties agree to and will transmit and accept Electronic Documents by Electronic Means using the procedures described in this Protocol. Use of the Electronic Documents and any information contained therein is subject to the requirements of this Protocol and other provisions of the Agreement.
- b. The contents of the information in any Electronic Document will be the responsibility of the transmitting party.
- c. Electronic Documents as exchanged by this Protocol may be used in the same manner as the printed versions of the same documents that are exchanged using non-electronic format and methods, subject to the same governing requirements, limitations, and restrictions, set forth in the Agreement.
- d. Except as otherwise explicitly stated herein, the terms of this Protocol will be incorporated into any other agreement or subcontract between the Owner and Engineer and any third party for any portion of the Project, or any Project-related services, where that third party is, either directly or indirectly, required to exchange Electronic Documents with Owner, Engineer, or any Contractor or other entity directly contracted with the Owner to furnish Program-related services. Nothing herein will modify the requirements of the Agreement and applicable Construction Contract Documents regarding communications between and among the individual third parties and their respective subcontractors and consultants, except to the extent that any respective subcontractor or consultant exchanges Electronic Documents with the Owner or Engineer.
- e. When transmitting Electronic Documents, the transmitting Party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the items resulting from the receiving Party's use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those established in this Protocol.
- f. Nothing herein negates any obligation (1) in the Agreement to create, provide, or maintain an original printed record version of Drawings and Specifications, signed and sealed according to applicable Laws and Regulations; (2) to comply with any applicable Law or Regulation governing the signing and sealing of design documents or the signing and electronic transmission of any other documents; or

(3) to comply with any notice requirements limiting or otherwise modifying the acceptance of Electronic Documents for such notice.

2. System Infrastructure for Electronic Document Exchange

- a. Each party will provide hardware, operating system(s) software, internet, e-mail, and large file transfer functions ("System Infrastructure") at its own cost and sufficient for complying with the EDP requirements. With the exception of minimum standards set forth in this EDP and any explicit system requirements specified by attachment to this EDP, it will be the obligation of each party to determine, for itself, its own System Infrastructure.
- 1) The maximum size of an e-mail attachment for exchange of Electronic Documents under this EDP is **[File Size]** MB. Attachments larger than that may be exchanged using large file transfer functions or physical media.
 - 2) Each Party assumes full and complete responsibility for any and all of its own costs, delays, deficiencies, and errors associated with converting, translating, updating, verifying, licensing, or otherwise enabling its System Infrastructure, including operating systems and software, for use with respect to this EDP.
- b. Each party is responsible for its own system operations, security, back-up, archiving, audits, printing resources, and other Information Technology ("IT") for maintaining operations of its System Infrastructure during the Project, including coordination with the party's individual(s) or entity responsible for managing its System Infrastructure and capable of addressing routine communications and other IT issues affecting the exchange of Electronic Documents.
- c. Each party will operate and maintain industry-standard, industry-accepted, ISO-standard, commercial-grade security software and systems that are intended to protect the other party from: software viruses and other malicious software like worms, trojans, adware; data breaches; loss of confidentiality; and other threats in the transmission to or storage of information from the other parties, including transmission of Electronic Documents by physical media such as CD/DVD/flash drive/hard drive. To the extent that a party maintains and operates such security software and systems, it will not be liable to the other party for any breach of system security.
- d. In the case of disputes, conflicts, or modifications to the EDP required to address issues affecting System Infrastructure, the parties will cooperatively resolve the issues; but, failing resolution, the Owner is authorized to make and require reasonable and necessary changes to the EDP to effectuate its original intent. If the changes cause additional cost or time to Engineer, not reasonably anticipated under the original EDP, Engineer shall be entitled to compensation as Additional Services for its costs associated with the revisions to the EDP, delayed adoption of Exhibit L or implementation of other Electronic Documents protocols.
- e. Each party is responsible for its own back-up and archive of documents sent and received during the term of any Project contract/agreement under this EDP, unless this EDP establishes a Project document archive, either as part of a mandatory Project website or other communications protocol, upon which the Parties may

rely for document archiving during the specified term of operation of such project document archive. Further, each party remains solely responsible for its own post-Project back-up and archive of project documents, as each party deems necessary for its own purposes, after the term of contract, or termination of the project document archive, if one is established.

- f. If a receiving party receives an obviously corrupted, damaged, or unreadable Electronic Document, the receiving party will advise the sending party of the incomplete transmission.
- g. The parties will bring any non-conforming Electronic Documents into compliance with the EDP. The parties will attempt to complete a successful transmission of the Electronic Document or use an alternative delivery method to complete the communication.
- h. The Engineer will operate a Project information management system (also referred to in this EDP as "Project Website") for use of Owner and Engineer during the Project for exchange and storage of Project-related communications and information. Except as otherwise provided in this EDP or the General Conditions, use of the Project Website by the Parties as described in this paragraph will be mandatory for exchange of Project documents, communications, submittals, and other Project-related information. The conditions and standards of the Project Website will be defined before issuing EPC bidding documents, and the EPC Contractor will operate the Project Website after execution of the EPC Contract.

B. Software Requirements for Electronic Document Exchange; Limitations

1. Each party will acquire the software and software licenses necessary to create and transmit Electronic Documents and to read and to use any Electronic Documents received from the other party (and if relevant from third parties), using the software formats required in this section of the EDP.
 - a. Prior to using any updated version of the software required in this section for sending Electronic Documents to the other party, the originating party will first notify and receive concurrence from the other party for use of the updated version or adjust its transmission to comply with this EDP.
2. The parties agree not to intentionally edit, reverse engineer, decrypt, remove security or encryption features, or convert to another format for modification purposes any Electronic Document or information contained therein that was transmitted in a software data format, including Portable Document Format (PDF), intended by sender not to be modified, unless the receiving party obtains the permission of the sending party or is citing or quoting excerpts of the Electronic Document for Project purposes.
3. Software and data formats for exchange of Electronic Documents will conform to the requirements set forth in the following Attachment 1 to this EDP, including software version, if listed.

C. Format and Distribution of Deliverables

1. By definition, "Documents" as used in this Agreement are documents expressly identified as deliverables from Engineer to Owner. Exhibit A of the Agreement identifies

various Documents that Engineer is required to deliver to Owner as part of Engineer's services; Exhibit B is a schedule of such Documents. Engineer will transmit such Documents to Owner in the formats identified in Attachment 1 to this Protocol. If no specific format is identified for a deliverable Document, the format will be Portable Document Format (PDF).

2. If a Document will be distributed to third parties, such as prospective bidders and contractors, reviewing agencies, or lenders, the transmittal format for distribution will be as identified in Attachment 1 to this Protocol; provided, however, that if a format for distribution of a specific Document is expressly stated in Exhibit A, then the Exhibit A format will take precedence. If no specific format is identified for distribution of a deliverable Document to third parties, the format will be Portable Document Format (PDF).

a. If a format for Document distribution other than Portable Document Format (PDF) is specified, Owner shall first obtain a written, signed release from each third party to which the deliverable Document is distributed, establishing agreement to the following conditions:

- 1) The content included in the Electronic Documents prepared by or for Engineer and covered by the request was prepared as an internal working document for Engineer's purposes solely, and is being provided to the third party on an "AS IS" basis without any warranties of any kind, including, but not limited to any implied warranties of fitness for any purpose. As such, the third party is advised and acknowledges that the content may not be suitable for the third party's application, or may require substantial modification and independent verification by the third party. The content may include limited resolution of models; not-to-scale schematic representations and symbols; use of notes to convey design concepts in lieu of accurate graphics; approximations; graphical simplifications; undocumented intermediate revisions; and other devices that may affect subsequent reuse.
- 2) Electronic Documents containing text, graphics, metadata, or other types of data that are provided to the Requesting Party are only for the convenience of the third party. Any conclusion or information obtained or derived from such data will be at the third party's sole risk and the third party waives any and all claims against Engineer or Owner arising from the use of the Electronic Documents covered by the request, or of any data contained in such Electronic Documents.
- 3) The third party shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner, Engineer, and Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants, from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees and defense costs arising out of or resulting from the third party's use, adaptation, or distribution of any Electronic Documents provided under the request.
- 4) The third party agrees not to sell, copy, transfer, forward, give away or otherwise distribute this information (in source or modified file format) to any third party without the direct written authorization of Engineer, unless such distribution is specifically identified in the request and is limited to the third

party's subcontractors and consultants. The third party warrants that subsequent use by the third party's subcontractors and subconsultants will comply with all terms of the Construction Contract Documents and any specific instructions or conditions established by Owner.

b. If Engineer is required to assist or participate in obtaining such releases from third parties, such services will be categorized as Additional Services.

D. Requests by Project-Related Parties for Electronic Documents in Other Formats

1. Owner may release (or direct Engineer to release) an Electronic Document version of a Document prepared by or for Engineer, including but not limited to a deliverable Document as set forth in Exhibit F Paragraph 1.01.C, in a format other than those identified in Exhibit F Paragraph 1.01.B or 1.01.C of the Electronic Documents Protocol, or elsewhere in the Agreement, only if (a) a Contractor or other Project-related party (Requesting Party) makes a good faith request for such release, (b) Owner determines in its sole discretion that such release is prudent and will be beneficial to the Project, and (c) Owner obtains Requesting Party's written consent to the four conditions set forth in Exhibit F Paragraph 1.01.C.2.a.1-4 above.
2. Any services by Engineer in connection with Owner or Engineer providing a Document to a Requesting Party under this Exhibit F Paragraph 1.01.D are Additional Services. Such services may include but are not limited to preparing the data in a manner deemed appropriate by Engineer. Owner may require reimbursement from the Requesting Party for the cost of such Additional Services, but compensation by Owner to Engineer for the Additional Services is not contingent upon Owner obtaining reimbursement from the Requesting Party.

EXHIBIT F—ATTACHMENT 1: SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT EXCHANGE

Item	Electronic Documents	Transmittal Means	Data Format	Note (1)
a.1	General communications, transmittal covers, meeting notices, and responses to general information requests for which there is no specific prescribed form.	Email	Email	
a.2	Meeting agendas; meeting minutes; RFI's and Responses to RFI's; and Construction Contract administrative forms.	Email w/Attach	PDF	(2)
a.3	Contractor's Submittals (Shop Drawings, "Or Equal" requests, Substitute requests, documentation accompanying Sample submittals and other Submittals) to Owner and Engineer; and, Owner's and Engineer's Responses to Contractor's Submittals, Shop Drawings, Correspondence, and Applications for Payment	Email w/Attach	PDF	
a.4	Correspondence; Interim and Final Versions of reports, layouts, Specifications, Drawings, maps, calculations and spreadsheets, Construction Contract, Bidding/Proposal Documents, and Front-End Construction Contract Documents.	Email w/ Attach or LFE	PDF	(3)
a.5	Layouts, plans, maps, and Drawings to be submitted to Owner by Engineer for future use and modification	Email w/ Attach or LFE	DWG	
a.6	Correspondence, reports, and specifications to be submitted by Engineer to Owner for future word processing use and modification	Email w/ Attach or LFE	DOC	
a.7	Spreadsheets and data to be submitted to Owner by Engineer for future data processing use and modification	Email w/ Attach or LFE	EXC	
a.8	Database files and data to be submitted to Owner for future data processing use and modification	Email w/ Attach or LFE	DB	
Notes				
(1)	All exchanges and uses of transmitted data are subject to the appropriate provisions of the Agreement and Construction Contract.			
(2)	Transmittal of written notices is governed by requirements of the Agreement and Construction Contract.			
(3)	Transmittal of Bidding/Proposal Documents and Front-End Construction Contract Documents will be in manner selected by Owner in Exhibit A, Paragraph 1.05.A.1.a. Unless otherwise expressly stated, these documents and the Construction Contract will be transmitted in PDF format, including transmittals to bidders and Contractor.			
Key				
EMAIL	Standard Email formats (.htm, .rtf, or .txt). Do not use stationery formatting or other features that impair legibility of content on screen or in printed copies.			
LFE	Agreed upon Large File Exchange method (FTP, CD, DVD, hard drive.)			
PDF	Portable Document Format readable by Adobe® Acrobat Reader Version [number] or later.			
DWG	Autodesk® AutoCAD. dwg format Version [number] .			
DOC	Microsoft® Word. docx format Version [number] .			
EXC	Microsoft® Excel .xlsx or .xml			
DB	Microsoft® Access .mdb			

EXHIBIT G—INSURANCE

ARTICLE 1—INSURANCE

Paragraph 6.04 of the Agreement, Insurance, is supplemented to include the following Exhibit G Paragraphs 1.01 and 1.02:

1.01 Insurance Policies and Limits

- A. In accordance with Paragraph 6.04.A of the Agreement, the insurance that Engineer must procure and maintain, and the policy limits of such insurance, are as follows:

Coverage	Policy limits of not less than:
Workers' Compensation	
State	Statutory
Employer's Liability	
Each accident	\$1,000,000
Each employee	\$1,000,000
Policy limit	\$1,000,000
Commercial General Liability	
General Aggregate	\$4,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$2,000,000
Bodily Injury and Property Damage—Each Occurrence	\$2,000,000
Automobile Liability	
Combined Single Limit	
Combined Single Limit (Bodily Injury and Property Damage)	\$2,000,000
Excess or Umbrella Liability	
Each Occurrence	\$n/a
General Aggregate	\$n/a
Professional Liability	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000
Annual Aggregate	\$1,000,000
Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Liability Insurance	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000 (if applicable)
General Aggregate	\$1,000,000 (if applicable)
Other Insurance [Specify]	
Each Claim	\$
General Aggregate	\$

1.02 Not used.

1.02 Additional Insureds

- A. The Owner must be listed on Engineer's general liability policy as provided in Paragraph 6.04.B.
- B. For applicable Contractor's general liability policies of insurance, the additional insured endorsements will 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). If Contractor demonstrates to Owner that the specified ISO endorsements are not commercially available, then Contractor may satisfy this requirement by providing equivalent endorsements.
- C. For applicable Contractor's general liability policies of insurance, Contractor shall provide ISO Endorsement CG 20 32 07 04, "Additional Insured—Engineers, Architects or Surveyors Not Engaged by the Named Insured" or its equivalent for Engineer, Subconsultants, and other design professional additional insureds.

EXHIBIT H—DISPUTE RESOLUTION

ARTICLE 1—DISPUTE RESOLUTION METHOD

Paragraph 6.07 of the Agreement, Dispute Resolution, is supplemented to include the following Exhibit H Paragraph 1.01:

1.01 Arbitration

- A. Method for Resolution of Disputes: All Disputes between Owner and Engineer that have not been resolved by negotiations or mediation will be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Construction Industry Arbitration Rules (subject to the conditions and limitations of this Exhibit H Paragraph 1.01). This agreement to arbitrate will be specifically enforceable under the prevailing law of any court having jurisdiction.
- B. Arbitration Provisions
 1. Notice of the demand for arbitration must be filed in writing with the other party to the Agreement and with the selected arbitration administrator. The demand must be made within a reasonable time after the Dispute has arisen. In no event may the demand for arbitration be made after the date when institution of legal or equitable proceedings based on such Dispute would be barred by the applicable statute of limitations.
 2. The arbitrator(s) must be licensed engineers, architects, contractors, attorneys, or construction managers. Hearings will take place pursuant to the standard procedures of the Construction Arbitration Rules that contemplate in-person hearings. The arbitrators will have no authority to award punitive or other damages not measured by the prevailing party's actual damages, except as may be required by statute or the Agreement. Any award in an arbitration initiated under this clause will be limited to monetary damages and include no injunction or direction to any party other than the direction to pay a monetary amount.
 3. If the applicable arbitration rules require a preliminary mediation, but the parties have already participated in mediation with respect to the Dispute, then the second mediation is not required.
 4. The rules of any arbitration must be supplemented to include the following: The award rendered by the arbitrators must be in writing, and include (a) a precise breakdown of the award, and (b) a written explanation of the award specifically citing the Agreement provisions deemed applicable and relied on in making the award.
 5. The award rendered by the arbitrators will be consistent with this Agreement and final, and judgment may be entered upon it in any court having jurisdiction thereof, and will not be subject to appeal or modification.
 6. The arbitrators will have the authority to allocate the costs of the arbitration process among the parties, but will only have the authority to allocate attorneys' fees if a specific Law or Regulation or this Agreement expressly permits them to do so.
 7. The parties agree that failure or refusal of a party to pay its required share of the deposits for arbitrator compensation or administrative charges will constitute a waiver

by that party of the right to present evidence or cross-examine witness. In such event, the other party will be required to present evidence and legal argument as the arbitrator(s) may require for the making of an award. Such waiver will not allow for a default judgment against the non-paying party in the absence of evidence presented as provided for above.

8. Except as may be required by Laws or Regulations, neither party nor an arbitrator may disclose the existence, content, or results of any arbitration hereunder without the prior written consent of both parties, with the exception of any disclosure required by Laws and Regulations or the Agreement. To the extent any disclosure is allowed pursuant to the exception, the disclosure must be strictly and narrowly limited to maintain confidentiality to the extent possible.
9. If a Dispute in question between Owner and Engineer involves the work of a Contractor, Subcontractor, or consultants to the Owner, Subconsultants to the Engineer, or Engineer's Subcontractors (each a "Joinable Party"), and such Joinable Party has agreed contractually or otherwise to participate in a consolidated arbitration concerning this Project, then either Owner or Engineer may join such Joinable Party as a party to the arbitration between Owner and Engineer hereunder. Nothing in this Exhibit H Paragraph 1.01 nor in the provision of such contract consenting to joinder will create any claim, right, or cause of action in favor of the Joinable Party and against Owner or Engineer that does not otherwise exist.

EXHIBIT I—LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

ARTICLE 1—LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

Paragraph 6.10 of the Agreement is supplemented to include Exhibit I Paragraph 1.01 Limitation of Engineer's Liability:

1.01 Limitation of Engineer's Liability

- A. Engineer's Liability Limited to Stated Amount, or Amount of Engineer's Compensation: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, and notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the total liability, in the aggregate, of Engineer and Engineer's Subcontractors, officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Subconsultants, to Owner and anyone claiming by, through, or under Owner for any and all injuries, claims, losses, expenses, costs, or damages whatsoever (including but not limited to direct, indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary, or consequential damages) arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to the Project, to Engineer's or its Subconsultants' or Engineer's Subcontractor's services, or to this Agreement, from any cause or causes whatsoever, including but not limited to the negligence, professional errors or omissions, strict liability, breach of contract, indemnity obligations, or warranty express or implied, of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, or Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors, will not exceed the total amount of \$1,000,000 or the total compensation received by Engineer under this Agreement, whichever is greater. Higher limits are available for an additional fee.
- B. Engineer's Liability Limited to Amount of Engineer's Compensation: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, and notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the total liability, in the aggregate, of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, to Owner and anyone claiming by, through, or under Owner for any and all claims, losses, costs, or damages whatsoever (including but not limited to direct, indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary, or consequential damages) arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to the Project or the Agreement from any cause or causes, including but not limited to the negligence, professional errors or omissions, strict liability, breach of contract, indemnity obligations, or warranty express or implied of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors, will not exceed the total compensation received by Engineer under this Agreement.
- C. Engineer's Liability Limited to Amount of Insurance Proceeds: Engineer shall procure and maintain insurance as required by and set forth in Exhibit G to this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, the total liability, in the aggregate, of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors to Owner and anyone claiming by, through, or under Owner for any and all claims, losses, costs, or damages whatsoever (including but not limited to direct, indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary, or consequential damages) arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to the Project or the Agreement from any cause or causes, including but not limited to the negligence, professional errors or omissions, strict liability,

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breach of contract, indemnity obligations, or warranty express or implied, of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors (hereafter "Owner's Claims"), will be limited to (1) responsibility for payment of all or the applicable portion of any deductibles, either directly to the Engineer's insurers or in settlement or satisfaction, in whole or in part, of Owner's Claims, and (2) total insurance proceeds paid on behalf of or to Engineer by Engineer's insurers in settlement or satisfaction of Owner's Claims under the terms and conditions of Engineer's applicable insurance policies up to the amount of insurance required under this Agreement.

1. Such limitation will not be reduced, increased, or adjusted on account of legal fees paid, or costs and expenses of investigation, claims adjustment, defense, or appeal.
2. If no such insurance coverage is provided with respect to Owner's Claims, then the total liability, in the aggregate, of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, to Owner and anyone claiming by, through, or under Owner, for any and all such uninsured Owner's Claims will not exceed \$1,000,000.

EXHIBIT J—PAYMENTS TO ENGINEER FOR SERVICES AND REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

COMPENSATION PACKET BC-2: BASIC SERVICES—STANDARD HOURLY RATES

ARTICLE 1—COMPENSATION PACKET BC-2: BASIC SERVICES—STANDARD HOURLY RATES

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following Exhibit J Paragraphs 1.01, 1.02, and 1.03:

1.01 Compensation for Basic Services (other than Resident Project Representative)—Standard Hourly Rates Method of Payment

A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Basic Services set forth in Exhibit A (except for Resident Project Representative services, if any) as follows:

1. An amount equal to the cumulative hours charged to the Project by Engineer's personnel times Standard Hourly Rates for the applicable billing class, plus Reimbursable Expenses, plus Engineer's Subcontractors' and Subconsultants' charges, if any.
2. The Standard Hourly Rates charged by Engineer constitute full and complete compensation for Engineer's services, including labor costs, overhead, and profit; the Standard Hourly Rates do not include Reimbursable Expenses or Engineer's Subcontractor's and Subconsultants' charges.
3. Engineer's Reimbursable Expenses Schedule and Standard Hourly Rates are attached to this Exhibit J as Appendices 1 and 2.
4. The total compensation for such services is estimated to be \$134,406.

a. TASK 0100	<u>\$134,406</u>
b. TASK 0200	<u>To Be Determined</u>
c. TASK 0300	<u>To Be Determined</u>
d. TASK 0400	<u>To Be Determined</u>
e. TASK 0500	<u>To Be Determined</u>
f. TASK 0600	<u>To Be Determined</u>
5. Engineer may alter the distribution of compensation between individual phases of the work noted herein to be consistent with services actually rendered, but compensation will not exceed the total estimated compensation amount unless approved in writing by Owner. See also Exhibit J Paragraph 1.03.C.2 below.
6. The total estimated compensation for Engineer's services included in the breakdown by phases incorporates all labor, overhead, profit, Reimbursable Expenses, and Engineer's Subcontractor's and Subconsultants' charges.
7. The amounts billed for Engineer's services under Exhibit J Paragraph 1.01 will be based on the cumulative hours charged to the Project during the billing period by Engineer's employees times Standard Hourly Rates for the applicable billing class, plus Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Subcontractor's and Subconsultants' charges.

1.02 Compensation for Reimbursable Expenses

- A. Owner shall reimburse Engineer for Reimbursable Expenses directly related to the provision of Basic Services, using the rates set forth in Appendix 1 to this Exhibit J when applicable.
- B. Reimbursable Expenses include the expenses identified in Appendix 1 and the following: transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto; providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities; toll telephone calls, mobile phone charges, and courier charges; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Project-related items. In addition, if authorized in advance by Owner, Reimbursable Expenses will also include expenses incurred for the use of highly specialized equipment.
- C. The amounts payable to Engineer for Reimbursable Expenses will be the Project-related internal expenses actually incurred or allocated by Engineer, plus all invoiced external Reimbursable Expenses allocable to the Project, the latter multiplied by a factor of 110%.

1.03 Other Provisions Concerning Payment

- A. Whenever Engineer is entitled to compensation for the charges of Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants, such compensation will be the amounts billed to Engineer by Engineer's Subconsultants times a factor of 110%.
- B. Factors: The external Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Subcontractors' and Subconsultants' factors include Engineer's overhead and profit associated with Engineer's responsibility for the administration of such services and costs.
- C. Estimated Compensation Amounts
 - 1. Engineer's estimate of the amounts that will become payable for specified services are only estimates for planning purposes, are not binding on the parties, and are not the minimum or maximum amounts payable to Engineer under the Agreement.
 - 2. When estimated compensation amounts have been stated herein and it subsequently becomes apparent to Engineer that the total compensation amount thus estimated will be exceeded, Engineer shall give Owner written notice thereof, allowing Owner to consider its options, including suspension or termination of Engineer's services for Owner's convenience. Upon notice, Owner and Engineer will promptly review the matter of services remaining to be performed and compensation for such services. Owner shall either exercise its right to suspend or terminate Engineer's services for Owner's convenience, agree to such compensation exceeding said estimated amount, or agree to a reduction in the remaining services to be rendered by Engineer, so that total compensation for such services will not exceed said estimated amount when such services are completed. If Owner decides not to suspend the Engineer's services during the negotiations and Engineer exceeds the estimated amount before Owner and Engineer have agreed to an increase in the compensation due Engineer or a reduction in the remaining services, then Engineer will be paid for all services rendered hereunder.

- D. The Standard Hourly Rates and Reimbursable Expenses Schedule will be adjusted annually (prior to January invoicing period each year) to reflect equitable changes in the compensation payable to Engineer.
- E. To the extent necessary to verify Engineer's charges and upon Owner's timely request, Engineer shall make copies of such records available to Owner at cost.