

# **Project Manual**

## **GENERAL BUILDING JOB ORDER CONTRACT**

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### **The County of Fresno Department of Public Works and Planning**

2220 Tulare St., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Fresno, California 93721

# **Bid Documents**

Pre-bid Conference: Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 1:00 P.M. (1300 hours and 00 seconds)

Bid Date: Thursday, December 5, 2024, 2:00 P.M. (1400 hours and 00 seconds)

Budget / Account – Various Funding Orgs



***Development Services & Capital Projects Division***

***Department of Public Works & Planning***

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**ADDENDUM 01**

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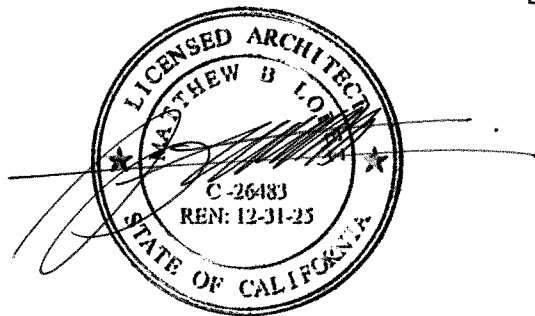
Dated: November 26, 2024

The foregoing documents are amended in the respects as herein set forth. This addendum and the amendments herein shall become part of said documents and of any contract entered into pursuant to said documents.

**PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS ADDENDUM ON YOUR PROPOSAL. IF YOU HAVE GIVEN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS TO SOMEONE ELSE, PLEASE FORWARD THIS ADDENDUM.**

11-26-2024

Date Signed



Architect of Record: \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew B. Lopez, Lic.# C-26483,  
License Expiration: 12/31/25

**Fresno County Department of Public Works & Planning**  
Development Services and Capital Projects Division  
2220 Tulare Street, Eighth Floor  
Fresno, California 93721

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**A. BID FORMS AND CONTRACT CONDITIONS**

No changes

**B. SPECIFICATIONS:**

- a. Specification Cover Sheet:
  - i. Refer to Addendum 01 and revise the bid date from "December 5, 2024, 2:00 p.m." to "December 12, 2024, 2:00 p.m."
- b. Section 000107
  - i. Refer to Addendum 01. Delete Signature Page and replace with attached Signature Page.
- c. Section 001113 Notice to Bidders
  - i. Page 1
    - 1. Refer to Addendum 01 and revise the bid date from "December 5, 2024, 2:00 p.m." to "December 12, 2024, 2:00 p.m."
    - 2. Refer to Addendum 01 and add the following:  
A replay of the pre-bid conference will be held at online at 1:00 P.M., on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 (the link for which will be posted at <http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>). Attendance at only one of the two pre-bid conferences, the original or replay, will be mandatory.

**C. PROPOSAL/BID BOOK: BID EXPRESS**

- a. Add the following:  
Title 13, California Code Of Regulations § 2449(l) General Requirements For In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets – Section 00 45 76

**D. GENERAL CLARIFICATIONS**

NOTE: Statements made by the consultant from Gordian during the pre-bid about local requirements were made in error. There is no local presence requirement for this contract.

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Buddy Mendes, Chairman  
Garry Bredefeld, Vice Chairman  
Brian Pacheco  
Luis Chavez  
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4<sup>th</sup> District  
2<sup>nd</sup> District  
1<sup>st</sup> District  
3<sup>rd</sup> District  
5<sup>th</sup> District

Paul Nerland, County Administrative Officer

**Steve White**  
Digitally signed by Steve White  
Date: 2024.11.26 11:18:49 -08'00'

Steven White, Director  
Department of Public Works and Planning



11/22/2024  
Date Signed

**Capital Projects:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Matthew B. Lopez, Lic.# C-26483

**Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning – Capital Projects**  
2220 Tulare Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721-2104

**Consultant:** **The Gordian Group**  
30 Patewood Dr., Suite 350  
Greenville, SC 29615

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Refer to the JOB ORDER CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION TASK CATALOG® and JOB ORDER CONTRACT TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, DIVISION 01 – DIVISION 41 provided in electronic format.

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received at:

<https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36473/home>,

and at the Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning, Office of the Design Engineer, Seventh Floor, Fresno County Plaza Building, 2220 Tulare Street, Fresno, CA 93721 until

**2:00 P.M., (1400 hours and 00 seconds)  
Thursday, December 5, 2024**

at which time the bidding will be closed.

**If you have any questions about bid submission, please contact us at [DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov) or call (559) 353-4919 or (559) 600-4543.**

Promptly following the closing of the bidding all timely submitted bids will be publicly opened and viewable via a livestream (the link for which will be posted at <http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>), for construction in accordance with the specifications therefor, to which special reference is made as follows:

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A Job Order Contract is an indefinite quantity contract pursuant to which the Contractor will perform an ongoing series of individual projects at different locations throughout the County of Fresno. The bid documents include a Construction Task Catalog® containing construction tasks with preset Unit Prices. All Unit Prices are based on local labor prevailing wages, material and equipment prices and are for the direct cost of construction.

**A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held at 1:00 P.M., on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 for the purpose of discussing the Job Order Contract concept, documents, bid considerations and to discuss Job Order Contracting from a contractor's viewpoint. The MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held online (the link for which will be posted at <http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>).**

**Prospective bidders whose representative(s) attend the MANDATORY pre-bid conference will receive the electronic link to the official specification books, the Construction Task Catalog® and Technical Specifications.**

Bidders will bid two sets of Adjustment Factors to be applied to the Unit Prices. One set of Adjustment Factors for projects in General Facilities, one set of Adjustment Factors projects in a Secure Facility. Each set of Adjustment Factors will include one Adjustment Factor for performing work during Normal Working Hours and a second Adjustment Factor for performing work during Other Than Normal Working Hours. All Adjustment Factors apply to every task in the Construction Task Catalog®.

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Upon award of contract and as projects are identified, the Contractor will jointly scope the work with the County Project Manager. The County Project Manager will prepare a Detailed Scope of Work and issue a Request for Proposal to the Contractor. The Contractor will then prepare a Work Order Proposal for the project including a Work Order Price Proposal, Schedule, Sketches or Drawings, a list of subcontractors, and other requested documentation. The value of the Work Order Price Proposal shall be calculated by summing the total of the calculation for each Pre-priced Task (Unit Price x quantity x Adjustment Factor) plus the value of all Non-Pre-priced Tasks.

If the Work Order Price Proposal is found to be reasonable, a Work Order may be issued. The Contractor is required to complete each Detailed Scope of Work for the Work Order Price within the Job Order Completion Time.

A Work Order will reference the Detailed Scope of Work and set forth the Work Order Completion Time, and the Work Order Price. The Work Order Price is determined by multiplying the preset Unit Prices by the appropriate quantities and by the appropriate Adjustment Factor. The Work Order Price shall be a lump sum, fixed price for the completion of the Detailed Scope of Work.

A separate Work Order will be issued for each project. Extra work, credits, and deletions will be contained in a Supplemental Work Order.

**Minimum and Maximum Contract Values:**

A. There is no Minimum Contract Value for this Contract. If a contract is awarded, the Contractor is not guaranteed to receive a specified minimum amount of work during the Contract Term.

B. The Maximum Contract Value is \$6,023,368.00. The Contractor is not guaranteed to receive this volume of Work Orders. It is merely an estimate. The Owner has no obligation to issue Work Orders in excess of the Minimum Contract Value.

C. The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and a performance bond in the amount of \$500,000 each as security for the payment of all persons performing and furnishing materials in connection with this Contract. If the aggregate outstanding Job Orders issued under the contract exceeds \$500,000, increases in the Payment and Performance Bonds in increments of \$500,000 will be required such that the amount of the Payment and Performance Bonds are not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the outstanding aggregate Job Orders issued. Bonds shall remain in force for the duration and until completion of any outstanding Job Order. At no time may the sum of outstanding Job Orders exceed the amount of the Payment and Performance Bonds.

**Contract Term:**

A. The Contract Term commences on the date the contract is executed by the County of Fresno Board of Supervisors (i.e.: the effective date of the Contract).

B. The term of the Job Order Contract will be either for one year or when issued Work Orders totaling the Maximum Contract Value have been completed, whichever occurs first. All Work Orders must be issued but not necessarily completed within one calendar year of the effective date of the Contract. All Work Orders for which a Notice to Proceed is issued by the County Contract Manager during the term of this Contract shall be valid and in effect notwithstanding that the Detailed Scope of Work may be performed, payments may be made, and the guarantee period may continue, after the Contract Term has expired. All terms and conditions of the Contract apply to each Work Order. No notices to proceed will be issued after 5:00, P.M. on the final day of the Contract Term.

Bidders may fill out a Request to be Added to Planholders list:

<https://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Public-Works-and-Planning/Construction-Bidding-Opportunities/Request-to-Be-Added-to-the-Planholders-List-Form>

Requesters will then be listed as a planholder for the project on the website and receive email notifications and addenda regarding the project.

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Prospective bidders may also select the project on [www.BidExpress.com](http://www.BidExpress.com). Those that demonstrate interest in the project will also be added to the planholders list, and will receive notifications and addenda regarding this project.

Planholder and exchange/publication names may be obtained from the Fresno County website at <http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>. Electronic copies in “.pdf” file format of the official project plans and specifications and such additional supplemental project information as may be provided at the mandatory pre-bid conference.

The bid documents are available online at: <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36473/home> and bids may be submitted electronically through that website.

If a bidder is unable to submit a bid via Bid Express, Bid books, which contain bid proposal sheets necessary to submit a bid, may be obtained at <http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>.

Electronic bids shall be submitted via the Bid Express website. Paper bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the Department and labeled with the name of the bidder, contract number, name of the project, and the statement “Do Not Open Until The Time Of Bid Opening.”

A Summary of Bids for the apparent low bidder will be posted at the above listed website, generally within 24 hours of the Bid Opening.

All questions regarding this contract shall be in writing and shall be received by the Department of Public Works and Planning, Design Division, no later than 2:00 P.M. on the seventh (7th) calendar day before bid opening. Any questions received after this deadline will not receive a response unless the Department of Public Works and Planning elects to issue an addendum to revise the bid opening date. In the event that the bid opening date is revised, the deadline for questions will be extended to no later than 2:00 P.M. on the seventh (7th) calendar day before the revised bid opening date. Questions shall be submitted on the Request for Clarification form provided on the contract website at:

<https://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Public-Works-and-Planning/Construction-Bidding-Opportunities/24-J-10-24-J-11-24-J-12-24-J-13-Class-B-General-Building-Job-Order-Contract>

Any changes to, or clarification of, the Contract documents and specifications shall be in the form of a written addendum issued to planholders of record. Questions that prompt a change or clarification shall be included in the addendum with the subsequent answer.

Any oral explanation or interpretations given to this project are not binding.

Bidders will submit one (1) bid that will be considered for four (4) potential Contracts being offered.

Bidders will bid two (2) sets of Adjustment Factors to be applied to the Unit Prices:

- One set of Adjustment Factors for projects in General Facilities.
- One set of Adjustment Factors for projects in a Secure Facility.

Each set of Adjustment Factors will include one Adjustment Factor for performing work during Normal Working Hours and a second Adjustment Factor for performing work during Other Than Normal Working Hours. All Adjustment Factors apply to every task in the Construction Task Catalog®.

The County intends to award a contract to each of the four (4) lowest responsible bidders. One proposal must be submitted by each bidder wishing to bid for one of the three contracts in the **Class B license** category. Bids will be compared, for purposes of identifying the apparent low bidder for proposed award of the contract, on the basis of the Award Criteria Figure. The Award Criteria Figure is the sum of the weighted Adjustment Factors.

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The Construction Task Catalog® is priced at a net value of 1.0000. The bid shall be an increase to (e.g., 1.1000) or decrease to (e.g., 0.9500) the Unit Prices listed in the Construction Task Catalog®. Bidders who submit separate Adjustment Factors for separate Unit Prices will be considered non-responsive and their bid will be rejected.

The Owner selected The Gordian Group's (Gordian) Job Order Contracting (JOC) Solution for their JOC program. The Gordian JOC Solution™ includes Gordian's proprietary JOC Information Management System ("JOC IMS"), construction cost data, and Construction Task Catalog® which shall be used by the Contractor solely for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations under this Contract, including the preparation and submission of Job Order Proposals, Price Proposals, subcontractor lists, and other requirements specified by the Owner. The Contractor shall be required to execute Gordian's General Terms of Use and pay a 1% JOC System License Fee to obtain access to the Gordian JOC Solution™. The JOC System License Fee applies to all Job Orders issued to the Contractor under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor shall include the JOC System License Fee in the Adjustment Factors.

Bid security in the amount \$25,000, and in the form of a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer licensed by the California Department of Insurance, cash, cashier's check, or certified check shall accompany the bid. Bid security shall be made in favor of the County of Fresno. You must either attach an electronic bid bond or provide an original bid bond (or other form of bid security authorized by Public Contract Code section 20129(a)), prior to the bid opening, in accordance with the detailed directions set forth in Section 1.04 ("PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS") of the Instructions to Bidders.

Each paper bid bond shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the Department and labeled with the name of the bidder, the name of the project, the contract number, and the statement "Do Not Open Until The Time Of Bid Opening – BID BOND."

No contract will be awarded to a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Contractors State License Law, California Business and Professions Code, Division 3, Chapter 9, as amended, or whose bid is not on the proposal form included in the contract document. A valid California Contractor's License, **Class B (General Building)** is required for this project.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this contract available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal or awarded a contract for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code section 12990.

The successful bidder shall furnish a faithful performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Maximum Contract Value, a payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Maximum Contract Value, and One Year Warranty Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Maximum Contract Value. Each bond specified in this Notice (bid bond, faithful

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performance bond and payment bond) shall meet the requirements of all applicable statutes, including but not limited to those specified in Public Contract Code section 20129 and Civil Code section 3248.

Each bond specified in this Notice shall be issued by a surety company designated as an admitted surety insurer in good standing with and authorized to transact business in this state by the California Department of Insurance, and acceptable to the County of Fresno. Bidders are cautioned that representations made by surety companies will be verified with the California Department of Insurance. Additionally, the County of Fresno, in its discretion, when determining the sufficiency of a proposed surety company, may require the surety company to provide additional information supported by documentation. The County generally requires such information and documentation whenever the proposed surety company has either a Best's Key Rating Guide of less than **A** and a financial size designation of less than **VIII**. Provided, however, that the County expressly reserves its right to require all information and documentation to which the County is legally entitled from any proposed surety company.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, substitution of securities for any moneys withheld by the County of Fresno to ensure performance under the contract shall be permitted.

The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno

Paul Nerland, County Administrative Officer

Bernice E. Seidel, Clerk to the Board

Issue Date: November 5, 2024

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## **BIDDERS' CHECKLIST (CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS)**

Because of numerous technical irregularities resulting in rejected proposals for projects, the following checklist is offered for the bidders' information and use in preparing the paper proposal. This checklist is not to be considered as part of the contract documents. Bidders are cautioned that deleting or not submitting a form supplied in the bid documents (even if the form does not require signature) may result in an irregular bid.

### **P-2, PROPOSAL SHEET (Section 00 42 13)**

Bidder name on each sheet. Adjustment Factor for each type listed. Make no additions such as "plus tax", "plus freight", or conditions such as "less 2% if paid by 15th". Use ink or typewriter for paper bids. Acknowledge addenda.

### **P-3, SUBCONTRACTOR LIST**

Not Applicable for Job Order Contract bids. Subcontractor Listings shall be required as part of a Work Order Proposal for each individual Work Order.

### **P-4.1, BID SECURITY FORM - Read the Notices and Notes (Section 00 43 13)**

Indicate type of bid security provided.  
Provide contract license information.

#### **State business name and if business is a:**

Corporation - list officers

Partnership - list partners

Joint Venture - list members

If Joint Venture members are corporations or partnerships, list their officers or partners.

Individual - list Owner's name and firm name style

#### **Signature of Bidder – BID MUST BE SIGNED!**

Corporation - by an officer

Partnership - by a partner

Joint Venture - by a member

Individual - by the Owner

If signature is by a Branch Manager, Estimator, Agent, etc., the bid must be accompanied by a power of attorney authorizing the individual to sign bids, otherwise the bid may be rejected.

#### **Business Address - Firm's Street Address**

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Mailing Address - P.O. Box or Street Address

**BID SECURITY (PROPOSAL GUARANTEE)**

\$25,000.00

Type of Bid Security:

Cash - Not recommended; cash is deposited in a clearing account and is returned to bidders by County warrant. This process may take several weeks.

Cashier's or Certified Checks - Will be held until the bid is no longer under consideration. If submitted by a potential awardee, they will be returned when the contract bonds are submitted and approved.

Bid Bonds - Must be signed by the bidder and by the attorney-in-fact for the bonding company. Signature of attorney-in-fact should be notarized, and the bond should be accompanied by bonding company's affidavit authorizing attorney-in-fact to execute bonds. An unsigned bid bond will be cause for rejection.

**P-4.2, NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION (Section 00 45 19)**

Must be completed, signed, and returned with bid.

**P-7, TITLE 13 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS § 2449(I) GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED FLEETS (Section 00 45 76)**

Must be completed, signed, and returned with bid. Certification of subcontractors is the responsibility of the Bidder and must be provided to the County upon request.

**OTHER**

If the bid forms have been removed from the specifications booklet, staple the pages together.

Make sure the bid envelope is sealed and shows the contract name, bid package and contract number.

If the bid is mailed, allow sufficient time for postal delivery prior to the bid closing time. Bids received after the scheduled time will be returned unopened. Be sure the statement "**DO NOT OPEN UNTIL TIME OF BID OPENING**", is on the envelope.

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**PROPOSAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF FRESNO**

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If this proposal shall be accepted and the undersigned shall fail to contract, as aforesaid, and to give the two bonds in the sums to be determined as aforesaid, with surety satisfactory to the Awarding Authority, within ten (10) days after the award of the contract, the Awarding Authority, at its option, may determine that the bidder has abandoned the contract, and thereupon this proposal and the acceptance thereof shall be null and void, and the forfeiture of such security accompanying this proposal shall operate and the same shall be the property of the Owner.

The undersigned, as bidder, declares that all addenda issued with respect to this bid have been received and incorporated into this Proposal. The bidder's signature on this Proposal also constitutes acknowledgement of all addenda.

The undersigned, as bidder, declares that the only persons, or parties interested in this proposal as principals are those named herein; that this proposal is made without collusion with any other person, firm or corporation; that they have carefully examined the Construction Task Catalog®, Technical Specifications and Contracting Requirements and they propose and agree if this proposal is accepted, that they will contract with the County of Fresno to provide all necessary machinery, tools, apparatus and other means of construction, and to do all the work and furnish all the materials specified in the contract in the manner and time therein prescribed, and according to the requirements of the Owner as therein set forth.

The Contractor shall perform all Work required called for in the Detailed Scope of Work of each individual Work Order issued under this Contract using the Construction Task Catalog® and Technical Specifications incorporated herein. Contractor shall perform any or all functions called for in the Contract Documents as specified in individual Work Orders against this Contract for the Unit Prices specified in the Construction Task Catalog® (CTC) and Non Pre-priced work multiplied by the following Adjustment Factors.

The Bidder shall set forth Adjustment Factors in the respective space provided below. **See example below.** Failure to submit Adjustment Factors for all categories will result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive.

**Adjustment Factor 2 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 1, Adjustment Factor 3 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 1. Adjustment Factor 4 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 3. Adjustment Factors not adhering to these requirements may result in Proposals being deemed non-responsive.**

The Contractor shall perform the Tasks required by each individual Job Order using the following Adjustment Factors. When submitting Work Order Price Proposals related to

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specific Work Orders, the Contractor shall utilize one or more of the Adjustment Factors applicable to the Work being performed provided on the Schedule of Adjustment Factors below, as applicable.

**Example**

One Point Two One Zero Two

(Written in words)

1

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2

1

0

2

(Specify to four (4) decimal places)

**BIDDER:** AVENTUS NV, Inc.

### Schedule of Adjustment Factors

In case of a discrepancy between words and figures the words shall prevail. Use clearly legible words and figures.

1. **General Facilities - Normal Working Hours** (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)

One point one six five zero  
(Written in words)

1	■	1	6	5	0
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(Specify to four (4) decimal places)

2. **General Facilities - Other Than Normal Working Hours** (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)  
Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 1

One point one six nine zero  
(Written in words)

1	■	1	6	9	0
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(Specify to four (4) decimal places)

3. **Secure Facilities – Normal Working Hours** (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday) Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 1

One point one six nine zero  
(Written in words)

1	■	1	6	9	0
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(Specify to four (4) decimal places)

4. **Secure Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours** (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)  
Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 3

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(Specify to four (4) decimal places)

**BIDDER:** AVENTUS NV, Inc.

**Acknowledgement of Addendum:**

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**Award Criteria Figure**

Transfer the number on Line 9 from the Award Criteria Figure Calculation below to the space provided below constituting the Bidder's Award Criteria Figure.

Transfer the number and write the words.

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### Award Criteria Figure Calculation

The weighted multipliers in lines 2, 4, 6, and 8 below are for the purpose of calculating an Award Criteria Figure only. No assurances are made by the Owner that Work will be ordered under the Contract in a distribution consistent with the weighted percentages. The Award Criteria Figure is only used for the purpose of determining the lowest Bidder.

**The Owner Reserves The Right To Revise All Arithmetic Errors In the Calculation of the Award Criteria Figure For Correctness.**

Instructions To Bidder: Specify lines 1 through 9 to four (4) decimal places. Use conventional rounding methodology (i.e., if the number in the 5th decimal place is 0-4, the number in the 4th decimal remains unchanged; if the number in the 5th decimal place is 5-9, the number in the 4th decimal is rounded upward).

Line 1.	<b>General Facilities – Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	1. 1.1650	
Line 2.	Multiply Line 1 by 70%		2. 0.8155
Line 3.	<b>General Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)</b>	3. 1.1690	
Line 4.	Multiply Line 3 by 10%		4. 0.1169
Line 5.	<b>Secure Facilities – Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	5. 1.1690	
Line 6.	Multiply Line 5 by 15%		6. 0.1754
Line 7.	<b>Secure Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours Other Than Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	7. 1.1780	
Line 8.	Multiply Line 7 by 5%		8. 0.0589
Line 9.	Add Lines 2, 4, 6, and 8. This is the Award Criteria Figure:		1.1667

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**Bid Security**

Accompanying this proposal is security (check one only) in amount equal to at least \$25,000.00:

Bid Bond ( x ); Certified Check (    ); Cashier's Check (    ); Cash ( \$                    )

**Addenda Acknowledgement**

Bidder has and acknowledges the following addenda: Addendum 01, 11.26.2024

**Business Information**

Business Name AVENTUS NV, Inc.

*Note: If bidder or other interested person is a corporation, state legal name of corporation. If bidder is a co-partnership, state true name of firm.*

Business Owners and Officers Names Jason Leisey, Gregory A Bristol, Craig James Cox

*Note: If bidder or other interested person is:*

- *a corporation, list names of the president, secretary, treasurer and manager thereof*
- *a partnership, list names of all individual co-partners composing firm.*
- *an individual, state first and last name in full.*

Names of Owners and Key Employees Please see attached

*Note: List majority owners of your firm. If multiple owners, list all. Also include anyone, including key employees, who are actively promoting the contract. (SB 1439)*

Licensed in accordance with an act providing for the registration of Contractors:

Class B-General Building Contractor License No. 1076494 Expires 06/30/2025

DIR Registration Number PW-LR-1000792130

Business Address: 1600 Carse Dr. Boulder City NV 89005

Zip Code

Mailing Address: 1600 Carse Dr. Boulder City NV 89005

Zip Code

Business Phone: ( 866 ) .348.6463 Fax Number: ( N/A )

Email Address craig@aventusnv.com

**Bidder Signature**

Signature of Bidder:  Dated: 12.12.2024

**NOTE:** If bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the corporation; if bidder is a co-partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the co-partnership; and if bidder is an individual, his or her signature shall be placed above. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a Power of Attorney must be on file with the Owner prior to opening bids or submitted with the bid; otherwise, the bid will be disregarded as irregular and unauthorized.

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**CONTRACT: GENERAL BUILDING JOB ORDER CONTRACT**  
**CONTRACT #'s: 24-J-10 24-J-11 24-J-12 24-J-13, Class B**

To the Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno:

**NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION**

**TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID\***

The undersigned declares:

I am the Chief Risk Officer of  
(Owner, Partner, Corporate Officer (list title), Co-Venturer)

AVENTUS NV, Inc., the party  
making the foregoing bid.

The bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation. The bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or refrain from bidding. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder. All statements contained in the bid are true. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for that purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration is executed on

12th December at Boulder City, Nevada.  
[date] [city] [state]

  
(Signature)

(See Title 23 United States Code Section 112; Calif Public Contract Code Section 7106)

**\*NOTE:** Completing, signing, and returning the Non-Collusion Declaration is a required part of the Proposal. Bidders are cautioned that making a false certification may subject the certifier to criminal prosecution.

END OF SECTION

**TITLE 13, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS § 2449(I) GENERAL  
REQUIREMENTS FOR IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED FLEETS**

In conformance with Title 13 § 2449(i), bidders will be required to attach copies of valid Certificates of Reported Compliance for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors.

Before May 15th of each year, the prime contractor must collect a new valid Certificate of Reported Compliance for the current compliance year, as defined in section 2449(n), from all fleets that have an ongoing contract with the prime contractor as of March 1st of that year. Prime contractors must not write contracts to evade this requirement. Annual renewals must be provided to the Resident Engineer at least one week prior to the expiration date of the current certificate.

<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/fact-sheets/fact-sheet-contracting-requirements>

Choose all that apply:

- ☐ Bidder's Certificate of Reported Compliance has been attached to the bid.
- ☒ Bidder does not have a fleet subject to this regulation as outlined in Section 2449(i)(1)-(4).
- ☐ Listed subcontractors' certificates have been attached or will be submitted within five (5) calendar days of the bid opening.
- ☐ The following subcontractors do not have a fleet subject to this regulation as outlined in Section 2449(i)(1)-(4):

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**FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE CERTIFICATES OF REPORTED COMPLIANCE AS  
DIRECTED MAY RENDER THE BID NON-RESPONSIVE.**

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### Owners and Key Personnel List

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Jason Leisey</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Craig James Cox</b>	<b>Chief Risk Officer</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Gregory Bristol</b>	<b>Chief Project Officer</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Ronald Rodriguez</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Kyle Valencia</b>	<b>Site Superintendent</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Bryan Cox</b>	<b>Safety Manager</b>

# AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made at Fresno, in Fresno County, California, by and between AVENTUS NV, Inc., hereinafter "Contractor", and the County of Fresno, hereinafter "Owner".

WHEREAS: This Agreement, together with other Contract Documents (as defined hereinbelow), shall establish an indefinite quantity Job Order Contract pursuant to which Contractor shall perform an ongoing series of individual projects at different locations throughout the County of Fresno. The construction work and services performed by Contractor under this Agreement shall be carried out pursuant to individual Work Orders. All capitalized terms not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the General Conditions referenced hereinbelow and incorporated herein by reference.

WITNESSETH, the Contractor and the Owner, for the consideration hereinafter named, agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I.** The Contractor agrees to furnish all labor, equipment and materials, including tools, implements, and appliances required, and to perform all the work in a good and workmanlike manner, free from any and all liens and claims of mechanics, materialmen, subcontractors, artisans, machinists, teamsters, and laborers required for **Job Order Contract No. ~~24-J-10~~ also referred to herein as the "Contract".**

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All goods and services provided shall be in strict compliance with the Construction Task Catalog®, Technical Specifications and Contracting Requirements therefore prepared by the Director of the Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning and his authorized representatives, hereinafter "Project Manager", and other contract documents relating thereto.

**ARTICLE II.** The Contractor and the Owner agree that the Advertisement (Notice to Bidders), the Wage Scale, the Proposal hereto attached, the Instructions to Bidders, the General Conditions of the contract, the Technical Specifications, the Construction Task Catalog® and the Addenda and Bulletins thereto, the Contract Bonds and Certificates of Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance, and the Work Orders, together with this Agreement, form the Contract Documents, and they are as fully a part of the contract as if hereto attached or herein repeated. But no part of said specifications that is in conflict with any portion of this Agreement, or that is not actually descriptive of the work to be done thereunder, or of the manner in which the said work is to be executed, shall be considered as any part of this Agreement, but shall be utterly null and void, and anything that is expressly stated, delineated or shown in or upon the specifications or Detailed Scope of Work shall govern and be followed, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any other source of information or authority to which reference may be made.

**ARTICLE III.** The Contractor agrees that the work under the contract shall be completed as determined by the Owner as set forth in the individual Work Orders. Time of performance shall be deemed as of the essence hereof and it is agreed that actual damages to the Owner from any delay in completion beyond the date provided for herein, or any extension thereof until the work is completed or accepted, shall be all provable damages plus liquidated damages as identified in the individual Work Orders ranging from **Two Hundred Fifty and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$250.00) to Five Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000.00)** per day; that said liquidated damage was arrived at by a studied estimate of loss to the Owner in the event of a delay considering the following damage items which are extremely difficult or impossible to determine: Additional construction expense resulting from delay of completion including, but not limited to, engineering, inspection, rental and utilities; provided, however, the Owner may conditionally accept the work and occupy and use the same if there has been such a degree of completion as shall in its opinion render the same safe, fit and convenient for the use for which it is intended and in such cases the Contractor and Surety shall not be charged for liquidated damages for any period subsequent to such conditional acceptance and occupation by the Owner but Owner may assess actual damages caused by failure of total completion during such period. The time during which the Contractor is delayed in said work by the acts or neglects of the Owner or its employees or those under it by contract or otherwise, or by the acts of God which the Contractor could not have reasonably foreseen and provided for, or by storms and inclement weather which delays the work, or by any strikes, boycotts, or like obstructive action by employee or labor organizations, or by any general lockouts or other defensive action by employers, whether general, or by organizations of employers, shall be added to the time for completion as aforesaid.

**ARTICLE IV. COMPENSATION:** The Owner agrees to make payments on account thereof as provided in the General Conditions.

The Contract is an indefinite-quantity contract for construction work and services. There is no Minimum Contract Value for this Contract. If a contract is awarded, the Contractor is not guaranteed to receive a specified minimum amount of work during the Contract Term. The Maximum Contract Value is \$6,023,368.00. The Contractor is not guaranteed to receive this volume of Work Orders. The Owner has no obligation to issue Work Orders in excess of the Minimum Contract Value.

The Contractor shall perform all work required, necessary, proper for or incidental to completing the Detailed Scope of Work called for in each individual Work Order issued pursuant to this Contract for the Unit Prices set forth in the Construction Task Catalog® and the following Adjustment Factors:

1. Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday): 1.1650
2. Other Than Normal Working Hours (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays): 1.1690

3. Projects in Secure Facilities – Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday): 1.1690
4. Projects in Secure Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays): 1.1780

**Material price spike adjustment:** For the purpose of this clause, a “major spike” is defined as a spike in a specific material cost of more than 25% above what the cost of that material was on the date the Construction Task Catalog® was issued.

1. In the event a major spike occurs in a specific material cost, the Contractor may submit a request for a price modification to a Unit Price or individual Job Order. In order to initiate such a request, the Contractor shall:
  - a. identify the specific material that has experienced a major spike,
  - b. identify Pre-priced Task(s) or Job Orders that require the material experiencing a major spike, and
  - c. demonstrate that the spike exists by submitting a minimum of three quotes on material supplier letterhead to show that the current price meets the “major spike” definition above.
2. Fresno County, after review of a request, may elect to adjust the Unit Price or Job Order by considering it a Non Pre-priced (NPP) item. The adjustment will be for the difference between the material cost at the time the Construction Task Catalog® was issued times the quantity stated in the Job Order. The adjustment will not include any other markup, and the NPP adjustment factor will not apply.

**ARTICLE V. TERM:** The Term of the Job Order Contract shall be for one (1) year, or when issued Work Orders totaling the Maximum Contract Value have been completed, whichever occurs first. All Work Orders shall be issued, but not necessarily completed within one calendar year after the commencement date of this Agreement.

All Work Orders for which a Notice to Proceed is issued by the County Contract Manager during the term of this Contract shall be valid and in effect notwithstanding that the Detailed Scope of Work may be performed, payments may be made, and the guarantee period may continue, after the Contract Term has expired. All terms and conditions of the Contract apply to each Work Order. No notices to proceed will be issued after 5:00, P.M. on the final day of the Contract Term.

**ARTICLE VI.** The Contractor and the Owner agree that changes in this Agreement shall become effective only when written in the form of an amendment approved and signed by the Owner and the Contractor.

The Contractor and the Owner agree that the Owner shall have the right to request any alterations, deviations, reductions or additions to the Detailed Scope of Work of the individual Work Orders or specifications or any of them, and the amount of the cost thereof shall be handled by issuance of a Supplemental Work Order.

This contract shall be deemed completed when the work of all individual Work Orders is finished in accordance with all Contract Documents as amended by such changes. No such change or modification shall release or exonerate any surety upon any guaranty or bond given in connection with this contract.

**ARTICLE VII.** In the event of a dispute between the Owner or Project Manager and the Contractor as to an interpretation of any of the specifications or as to the quality of sufficiency of material or workmanship, the decision of the Project Manager shall for the time being prevail and the Contractor, without delaying the job, shall proceed as directed by the Project Manager without prejudice to a final determination by negotiation, arbitration by mutual consent or litigation and should the Contractor be finally determined to be either wholly or partially correct, the Owner shall reimburse him for any added costs they may have incurred by reason of work done or material supplied beyond the terms of the contract as a result of complying with the Project Manager's directions as aforesaid. In the event the Contractor shall neglect to prosecute the work properly or fail to perform any provisions of this contract, the Owner, after three days' written notice to the Contractor, may, without prejudice to any other remedy it may have, make good such deficiencies and may deduct the cost thereof from the payment then or thereafter due to the Contractor, subject to final settlement between the parties as in this paragraph hereinabove provided.

**ARTICLE VIII. TERMINATION:** If the Contractor should be adjudged a bankrupt, or if they should make a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of their insolvency, or if they or any of their subcontractors should persistently violate any of the provisions of the contract, or if they should persistently or repeatedly refuse or should fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper material, or if they should fail to make prompt payment to subcontractors or for material or labor or persistently disregard laws, ordinances or the instructions of the Project Manager, then the Owner may, upon the certificate of the Project Manager, when sufficient cause exists to justify such action, serve written notice upon the Contractor and their surety of its intention to terminate the contract, such notice to contain the reasons for such intention to terminate the contract, and unless within five (5) days after the serving of such notice, such violations shall cease and satisfactory arrangements for correction thereof be made, the contract shall, upon the expiration of said five days, cease and terminate.

In the event of any such termination, the Owner shall immediately serve written notice thereof upon the surety and the Contractor, and the surety shall have the right to take over and perform the contract, provided, however, that if the surety within ten (10) days after the serving upon it of notice of termination does not give the Owner written notice of its intention to take over and perform the contract or does not commence performance thereof within the ten (10) days stated above from the date of the serving of such notice, the Owner may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or by any other method it may deem advisable for the account and at the expense of the Contractor, and the Contractor and their surety shall be liable to the Owner for any

excess cost occasioned the Owner thereby, and in such event the Owner may without liability for so doing, take possession of and utilize in completing the work, such materials, appliances, plant and other property belonging to the Contractor as may be on the site or the work and necessary therefore. In such case, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the work is finished.

If the unpaid balance of the contract price shall exceed the expense of finishing the work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative services, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. If such expense shall exceed such unpaid balance, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. The expense incurred by the Owner as herein provided, and damage incurred through the Contractor's default, shall be certified by the Project Manager.

**ARTICLE IX.** The Contractor and their subcontractors shall comply with Sections 1770 – 1780 of the California Labor Code and the provisions of Sections 2.52 and 2.55 of the General Conditions concerning the payment of wages to all workers and mechanics, and the employment and payment of apprentices by the Contractor or any subcontractor for all work performed under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE X.** The Contractor and their subcontractors shall comply with Sections 1810 to 1815 of the California Labor Code and the provisions of Section 2.51 of the General Conditions, concerning hours of work and payment of overtime compensation for all work performed under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE XI. INDEMNIFICATION:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to and shall indemnify, save, hold harmless and at County's request, defend County and its officers, agents and employees, and the Project Manager and their respective officers, agents and employees, from any and all costs and expenses, attorney fees and court costs, damages, liabilities, claims and losses occurring or resulting to County, or the Project Manager in connection with the performance, or failure to perform, by Contractor, its officers, agents or employees under this Agreement, and from any and all costs and expenses, attorney fees and court costs, damages, liabilities, claims and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged by the performance, or failure to perform, of Contractor, its officers, agents or employees under this Agreement. In addition, Contractor agrees to indemnify County for Federal, State of California and/or local audit exceptions resulting from non-compliance herein on the part of Contractor.

In any and all claims against the County, the Project Manager, or any of their respective officers, agents or employees, initiated by any employee of the Contractor, any Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or any Subcontractor under workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

**ARTICLE XII. INSURANCE:** Without limiting the Owner's right to obtain indemnification from Contractor or any third parties, Contractor, at its sole expense, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.40 of the General Conditions, shall maintain in full force and effect the following insurance policies throughout the term of this Agreement, excepting only those policies for which a longer term is specified:

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, with scope and amount of coverage as specified in Section 2.40 E.2 of the General Conditions.

B. Automobile Liability Insurance, with scope and amount of coverage as specified in Section 2.40 E.2 of the General Conditions.

C. Professional Liability Insurance, with scope and amount of coverage as specified in Section 2.40 E.3 of the General Conditions.

D. Worker's Compensation Insurance, with scope and amount of coverage as specified in Section 2.40 E. 4 of the General Conditions.

The Certificate of Insurance shall be issued in triplicate, to the COUNTY OF FRESNO, and all other participating agencies, whether or not said agencies are named herein, who contribute to the cost of the work or have jurisdiction over areas in which the work is to be performed and all officers and employees of said agencies while acting within the course and scope of their duties and responsibilities.

## **ARTICLE XIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:**

### **1. AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS**

The CONTRACTOR shall at any time during business hours, and as often as the OWNER may deem necessary, make available to the OWNER for examination all of its records and data with respect to the matters covered by this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall, upon request by the OWNER, permit the OWNER to audit and inspect all of such records and data necessary to ensure CONTRACTOR'S compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

If this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the Auditor General for a period of three (3) years after final payment under contract (Government Code Section 8546.7).

### **2. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

In performance of the work, duties, and obligations assumed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, it is mutually understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR, including any and all of CONTRACTOR officers, agents, and employees will at all times be acting and performing as an independent contractor, and shall act in an independent capacity and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venture, partner, or associate of the OWNER. CONTRACTOR and

OWNER shall comply with all applicable provisions of law and the rules and regulations, if any, of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over matters of the subject thereof. Because of its status as an independent contractor, CONTRACTOR shall have absolutely no right to employment rights and benefits available to OWNER's employees. CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and save OWNER harmless from all matters related to payment of CONTRACTOR's employees, including compliance with social security, withholding, and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be providing services to others unrelated to the OWNER or to this Agreement.

### 3. DISCLOSURE OF SELF-DEALING TRANSACTIONS

This provision is only applicable if the CONTRACTOR is operating as a corporation (a for-profit or non-profit corporation) or if during the term of the agreement, the CONTRACTOR changes its status to operate as a corporation.

Members of the CONTRACTOR's Board of Directors shall disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to while CONTRACTOR is providing goods or performing services under this agreement. A self-dealing transaction shall mean a transaction to which the CONTRACTOR is a party and in which one or more of its directors has a material financial interest. Members of the Board of Directors shall disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to by completing and signing a Self-Dealing Transaction Disclosure Form, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, and submitting it to the OWNER prior to commencing with the self-dealing transaction or immediately thereafter.

**ARTICLE XIV.** The Contractor represents that they have secured the payment of Workers Compensation in compliance with the provisions of the Labor Code of the State of California and Paragraphs B.3, C.3 and E.4 of Section 2.40 of the General Conditions, and that they will continue so to comply with such statutory and contractual provisions for the duration and entirety of the performance of the work contemplated herein.



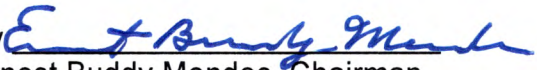
This Contract, **24-J-13**, was awarded by the Board of Supervisors on January 28, 2025. It has been reviewed by the Department of Public Works and Planning and is in proper order for signature of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, they have executed this Agreement this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025

Aventus NV, Inc.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(CONTRACTOR)

By   
Title Chief Risk Officer

COUNTY OF FRESNO  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(OWNER)

By   
Ernest Buddy Mendes, Chairman  
of the Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Fresno

**ATTEST:**  
Bernice E. Seidel  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Fresno, State of  
California

FOR ACCOUNTING USE ONLY  
VARIOUS ORGS.

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0001/8852/10000/7295

By   
Deputy

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## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **2.01 IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACT**

- A. The Agreement shall be signed by the Contractor and the Owner.
- B. The Contract Documents are defined in ARTICLE II of the Agreement.
- C. The Contract Documents form the Contract for Construction ("Contract"). This Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or modified only by a Modification as defined above. The Contract Documents shall not be construed to create any contractual relationship of any kind between the Architect or Engineer of record and the Contractor, but the Architect or Engineer of record shall be entitled to performance of the obligations of the Contractor intended for their benefit and to enforcement thereof. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between the Owner and any Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor.

### **2.02 EXECUTION, CORRELATION, AND INTENT OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

- A. The Contract Documents are complementary and anything called for by one shall be supplied as if called for by all, providing it comes clearly within the scope of the Contract.
- B. In the event of conflicting provisions within the Job Order Contract, the following order of precedence with item "1" representing the highest precedence, for resolution of the conflict shall apply:
  - 1. Contract Modifications (later takes precedence over earlier)
  - 2. Agreement
  - 3. Addenda (later takes precedence over earlier)
  - 4. General Conditions
  - 5. Job Orders (including Detailed Scopes of Work and Requests for Proposals)
  - 6. Project Manual
  - 7. The Construction Task Catalog®
  - 8. Technical Specifications
- C. The intent of the Contract Documents is to include all items necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work. Words and abbreviations that have well-known technical or trade meanings are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meanings.
- D. Execution of the Contract by the Contractor is a representation that the Contractor has become familiar with the local conditions under which the Work is to be performed and has correlated personal observations with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

- E. All work and material shall be the best of the respective kinds specified or indicated. Should any workmanship or materials be required that are not directly or indirectly called for in the Contract Documents, but which nevertheless are necessary for proper fulfillment of the obvious intent thereof, said workmanship or materials shall be the same for similar parts that are detailed, indicated or specified, and the Contractor shall understand the same to be implied and provide for it in his/her tender as if it were particularly described or delineated.

## 2.03 OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DOCUMENTS

All Contract Documents and copies thereof furnished shall remain the property of the Owner. With the exception of one (1) contract set for each party to the Contract, such documents are to be returned by Contractor or suitably accounted for to the Owner on request at the completion of the Work. Submission or distribution to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the Project is not to be construed as publication in derogation of the Architect's common law copyright or other reserved rights. The Owner's use of the documents will not increase the Architect's design liability beyond the Project and the site for which the design was originally intended.

## 2.04 DEFINITIONS

The following words, or variations thereof, as used in these documents have meanings as defined:

- A. The Work - The Work comprises the completed construction required of the Contractor by the Contract Documents, and includes all labor, materials, equipment, and services necessary to produce such construction, and all materials, other permits and equipment incorporated or to be incorporated in such construction.
- B. The Project – The collective improvements to be constructed by the Contractor pursuant to a Work Order, or a series of related Work Orders.
- C. Owner - The County of Fresno, State of California, as represented by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and so named in the Agreement. The term Owner means the Owner or the Owner's authorized representative (also known as the Project Manager) for this project.
- D. Architect of record – The Owner and his/her authorized representative, as defined in Section 2.04C, or a duly California licensed Architect.
- E. Contractor - When used in the General Conditions refers to person(s) or entity (partnership or corporation) so named in Agreement and when used in the body of the Specifications, refers to the Contractor for that specific work, whether it be the General Contractor, Subcontractor, or other Contractor. The term Contractor means the Contractor or the Contractor's authorized representative.

- F. Subcontractor - Person, persons, entity, co-partnership, or corporation having direct contract with Contractor to perform any of the Work at the site. The term Subcontractor means a Subcontractor or a Subcontractor's authorized representative. The term Subcontractor does not include any separate contractor or any separate contractor's subcontractors.
- G. Sub-subcontractor – Person, persons, entity, co-partnership, or corporation having a direct or indirect contract with a Subcontractor to perform any of the Work at the site (i.e., a second-tier, third-tier, or lower-tier Subcontractor). The term Sub-subcontractor means a Sub-subcontractor or an authorized representative thereof.
- H. Adjustment Factor – A competitively bid adjustment to be applied to the unit prices listed in the Construction Task Catalog®.
- I. Award Criteria Figure - The sum of the extended totals as calculated in the on the Bid Form, which is used for the purposes of determining the lowest Bid.
- J. Construction Task Catalog®- A comprehensive listing of construction related tasks together with a specific unit of measure and a published Unit Price.
- K. Detailed Scope of Work – A document setting forth the work the Contractor is obligated to complete for a particular Work Order.
- L. Work Order – A written order issued by the Owner, such as a Purchase Order, requiring the Contractor to complete the Detailed Scope of Work within the Work Order Completion Time for the Work Order Price. A project may consist of one or more Work Orders. The term Work Order and the term Job Order may be used interchangeably throughout the documents.
- M. Work Order Completion Time – The time within which the Contractor must complete the Detailed Scope of Work.
- N. Work Order Price – The amount a Contractor will be paid for completing a Work Order.
- O. Work Order Proposal - A set of documents including: (a) Price Proposal; (b) construction schedule; (c) list of proposed subcontractors; and (d) other requested documents.
- P. Joint Scope Meeting – A site meeting attended by the Owner and Contractor to discuss the work before the Detailed Scope of Work is finalized.
- Q. Maximum Contract Value - The maximum value of Work Orders that the Contractor may receive under this Contract.
- R. Minimum Contract Value – The minimum value of Work Orders that the Contractor is guaranteed the opportunity to perform under this Contract.
- S. Non-Pre-priced Task – An item of work required by the Detailed Scope of Work but not included in the Construction Task Catalog®.

- T. Normal Working Hours – Includes the hours from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for Owner holidays.
- U. Notice to Proceed - A written notice issued by the Owner directing the Contractor to proceed with construction activities to complete the Work Order.
- V. Other than Normal Working Hours – Includes the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Owner Holidays.
- W. Pre-priced Task – An item of work included in the Construction Task Catalog® for which a Unit Price is given.
- X. Price Proposal – A price proposal prepared by the Contractor that includes the Pre-priced Tasks, Non-Pre-priced Tasks, appropriate quantities, and appropriate Adjustment Factors required to complete the Detailed Scope of Work.
- Y. Proposal Package – A set of documents including at least: (1) a Price Proposal; (2) a proposed construction schedule; (3) a list of proposed subcontractors; (4) sketches, drawings, or layouts; and (5) technical data or information on proposed materials or equipment.
- Z. Request for Proposal – A written request to the Contractor to prepare a Proposal for the Detailed Scope of Work referenced therein.
- AA. Supplemental Work Order - A Work Order issued to add or delete Work from an existing, related Work Order.
- BB. Technical Specifications – Contains the written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards and workmanship for the Work, and performance of related services.
- CC. Unit Price - The price published in the Construction Task Catalog® for a specific construction or construction related work task. Unit Prices for new Pre-priced Tasks can be established during the course of the Contract and added to the Construction Task Catalog®. Each Unit Price is comprised of labor, equipment, and material costs to accomplish that specific Pre-priced Task.
- DD. Days- All days shall be measured in calendar days unless specifically noted otherwise in these documents or referenced codes.
- EE. Year- One year shall be measured in terms of 365 calendar days.

## 2.05 SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

- A. Precedence – Anything mentioned in the Specifications and not shown on the Drawings or shown on the drawings and not mentioned in the specifications, shall be of like effect as if shown or mentioned in both. Subject to Section 2.02, in cases of discrepancy concerning dimension, quantity and location, the Drawings shall take precedence over the Specifications. Explanatory notes on the Drawings shall

take precedence over conflicting drawn indications. Large scale details shall take precedence over smaller scale details and figured dimensions shall take precedence over scaled measurement. Where figures are not shown, scale measurements shall be followed but shall in all cases be verified by measuring actual conditions of Work already in place. In cases of discrepancy concerning quality and application of materials and non-technical requirements over materials, the specifications shall take precedence over Drawings.

- B. Division of Specifications - For convenience of reference and to facilitate the letting of independent contracts, this specification may be separated into certain sections; such separation shall not operate to oblige the Owner, Architect or Professional Consultant to establish the limits of any contract between the Contractor and Sub-Contractor each of whom shall depend upon his/her own contract stipulations. The General Conditions apply with equal force to all work, including extra work.
- C. Governing Factors - Dimensions figured on drawings shall be followed in every case in preference to scale of drawings.
- D. Discrepancies - Should the Contractor, at any time, discover a discrepancy in a drawing or specification, or any variation between dimensions on drawings and measurements at site, or any lacking dimensions or other information, he/she shall report at once to the Project Manager requesting clarification and shall not proceed with the work affected thereby until such clarification has been made. If the Contractor proceeds with work affected by such discrepancies, without having received such clarification, he/she does so at his/her own risk. Any adjustments involving such circumstances made by the Contractor, prior to approval by the Project Manager, shall be at the Contractor's risk and the settlement of any complications or disputes arising therefrom shall be at the Contractor's sole expense and Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend Owner, Owner's representatives, and Project Manager from any liability or loss with respect to said adjustments.
- E. Scope of Drawings – When drawings are included in the Detailed Scope of Work, the drawings shall be held to determine the general character of the Work as well as its details. Parts not detailed shall be constructed in accordance with best standard practice for work of this class, so as to afford the requisite strength and logically complete the parts they compose. Where it is obvious that a drawing illustrates only a part of a given work or of a number of items, the remainder shall be deemed repetitious and so construed. The Contractor shall be responsible for all errors made in using any drawings which have been superseded.
- F. Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples –
  - 1. Shop Drawings are drawings, diagrams, schedules, and other data specially prepared for the Work by the Contractor or any Subcontractor, manufacturer, supplier, or distributor to illustrate some portion of the Work. Product Data are illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, diagrams, and other information furnished by the Contractor to illustrate a material, product, or system for some portion of the Work. Samples are physical examples that illustrate materials,

equipment, or workmanship, and establish standards by which the work will be judged.

2. The Contractor shall prepare, review, approve and submit to the Project Manager, with reasonable promptness and in such sequence as to cause no delay in the Work or in the work of the Owner or any separate contractor, all Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples required by the Contract Documents.
3. By preparing, approving and submitting Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples, the Contractor represents that the Contractor has determined and verified all materials, field measurements and field construction criteria related thereto, or will do so with reasonable promptness, and has checked and coordinated the information contained within such submittals with the requirements of the Work, the Project, the Work Order and the Contract Documents.
4. The Contractor shall not be relieved of responsibility for any deviation from the requirements of the Contract Documents by the Architect's review of Shop Drawings, Product Data or Samples, unless the Contractor has specifically informed the Project Manager in writing of such deviation at the time of submission and the Architect has reviewed the specific deviation. The Contractor shall not be relieved from responsibility for errors or omissions in the Shop Drawings, Product Data or Samples by the Architect's review of them.
5. When professional certification of performance criteria of materials, systems or equipment is required by the Contract Documents, the Architect shall be entitled to rely upon the accuracy and completeness of such calculations and certifications. The cost of such certifications shall be borne by the Contractor. Owner may elect to have an independent certification performed at its own expense. The Owner shall have final approving authority for performance-based items.
6. The Contractor shall direct specific attention, in writing or on resubmitted Shop drawings, Product Data, or Samples, to revisions other than those requested by the Architect on previous submittals.
7. No portion of the Work requiring submission of a Shop Drawing, Product Data or Sample shall be commenced until the submittal has been reviewed by the Architect. All such portions of the Work shall be in accordance with reviewed submittals.
8. Submission of Shop Drawings and Samples to the Project Manager is required for only those items specifically mentioned in the Specification Sections. If Contractor submits Shop Drawings for items other than the above, the Project Manager will not be obligated to distribute or review them. Contractor shall be responsible for the procuring of Shop Drawings for his/her own use as he/she may require for the progress of the Work.

9. The term "Shop Drawings" as used herein also includes but is not limited to fabrication, erection, layout and setting drawings, manufacturer's standard drawings, descriptive literature, catalogs, brochures, performance and test data, wiring and control diagrams, all other drawings and descriptive data pertaining to materials, equipment, piping, duct and conduit systems, and methods of construction as may be required to show that the materials, equipment or systems and the positions and layout of each conform to the Contract requirements. As used herein the term "manufactured" applies to standard units usually mass-produced, and the term "fabricated" means items specifically assembled or made out of selected materials to meet individual design requirements. Shop Drawings shall establish the actual detail of all manufactured or fabricated items; indicate proper relation to adjoining work; amplify design details of mechanical and electrical equipment in proper relation to physical spaces in the structure; and incorporate minor changes of design or construction to suit actual conditions.
10. Drawings: Following Contractor's review and approval, Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager for approval four (4) minimum to six (6) maximum prints and/or pdf submission of the same information via email. (Required delivery methods and quantities of submittals will be determined at the time of the Pre-Construction Meeting). The Project Manager will check the submittal to see if it is complete. If complete, the Project Manager will forward the drawings to the Owner and the Architect. The Architect and Owner will check the drawings and note Architect and Owner comments and affix a stamp to the drawings indicating the status of acceptance and will return same to the Project Manager, each retaining prints for his/her records. The Architect or his/her consultants, as applicable, will review the Shop Drawings; mark the prints with required revisions; stamp the prints and indicate "No Exceptions Taken," "Make Corrections Noted," "Revise and Resubmit," "Submit Specified Item," or "Rejected," and return the prints. The Project Manager will return the prints to the Contractor. The Contractor shall then print and distribute the appropriate number of copies to his/her job personnel as required. If a drawing is stamped "Rejected" or "Revise and Resubmit," the Contractor shall correct and resubmit as outlined above. When stamped "Make Corrections Noted," or similar instructions, the Contractor shall correct and resubmit for record only, three (3) prints of each drawing. Also see Technical Specifications, Division I, General Requirements.
11. Samples: Following Contractor's review and approval, Contractor shall submit to the Architect, five (5) minimum samples of all materials in quantities and sizes as specified herein as requested by the Architect. Submittals shall be given to the Architect at a time determined by the Contractor, which allows for any necessary resubmittal and which will not cause any delay in the Work. Samples will be forwarded to the Architect. If a sample is stamped "Rejected" or "Revise and Resubmit," one sample so noted will be returned to the Contractor. The Contractor shall correct and resubmit as outlined above. If a sample is stamped "Make Corrections Noted", one sample so noted will be returned. Corrected samples shall be



resubmitted for approval as per the original submittal. Also see Technical Specifications and General Requirements.

12. Brochures: Following Contractor's review and approval, Contractor shall submit to the Architect, five (5) copies of all manufacturer's catalogs or brochures as required. Brochures will be forwarded to the Architect for review. If a brochure is stamped "No Exception Taken", two (2) copies will be returned to the Contractor. If stamped "Rejected", one marked copy and two (2) unmarked copies will be returned. Corrected copies shall be resubmitted for approval as per the original submittal. Also see General Requirements.
  13. Manufacturer's Instructions: Where any item or work is required by Specifications to be furnished, installed, or performed in accordance with the specified product manufacturer's instructions, Contractor shall procure and distribute the necessary copies of such instructions to all concerned parties.
- G. Materials - All materials, unless otherwise specified, shall be new and of good quality, proof of which shall be furnished by the Contractor; in case of doubt as to kind or quality required, samples shall be submitted to the Architect through the Project Manager who will specify the kind and use of the material appropriate to the location and the function of the item in question. Contractor shall furnish such item accordingly. Before final payment, all material rejected by the Architect or Project Manager shall be promptly removed from the premises by the Contractor, whether or not completely installed, and promptly and properly replaced with correct materials, including any other work adjoining if disturbed, in accordance with the contract and without expense to the Owner; the Contractor also shall pay for work of other Contractors as is affected by such removals and replacements.

## 2.06 THE ARCHITECT

- A. The Owner may delegate all or a portion of its rights and responsibilities to a licensed Architect as deemed necessary per Work Order.
- B. The Architect advises the Project Manager in all aspects of the construction phase of the Project. The Architect's functions include advice and assistance to the Project Manager in the correct interpretation and application of the Contract Documents. The Architect is not authorized independently to issue Addenda, Clarifications, Field Orders, Work Authorizations, or Supplemental Work Orders, or in any other way to bind the Owner in discussions with the Contractor.
- C. The Contractor shall deliver all correspondence relating to the proper execution of the Work to the Project Manager. The Project Manager reserves the right to consult with the Architect and Owner prior to responding to the Contractor's correspondence.
- D. When discussions between the Contractor and the Project Manager occur either on the site or elsewhere, but the Architect is not present, the Project Manager

reserves the right to consult with the Architect and Owner prior to issuing his/her final decision or instruction.

- E. The Architect shall review or take other appropriate action upon the Contractor's submittals such as Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples, but only for conformance with the design concept of the Work and the information given in the Contract Documents. Such action shall generally be taken within ten (10) working days, however under certain circumstances such as very complex submittals or if large number of submittals are submitted at one (1) time it may take longer. In this case the Contractor will be notified and given the opportunity to advise the Architect of priorities. The Architect's review of a specific item shall not indicate review of an assembly of which the item is a component.

## 2.07 THE PROJECT MANAGER

- A. The Project Manager is the authorized representative of the Owner in all aspects of administering the construction contract on behalf of the Owner. All communications from and to the Contractor will be channeled through the Project Manager. However, the Project Manager does not have the authority to bind the Owner in matters affecting adjustments to the time or cost of the project as defined in the Agreement for Construction.
- B. The Project Manager will be the Owner's representative during the construction and warranty periods, and until final payment to all contractors is due. The Project Manager will advise and consult with the Owner. All instructions to the Contractor shall be forwarded through the Project Manager. The Project Manager will have authority to act on behalf of the Owner only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents, unless otherwise modified by written instrument.
- C. The Project Manager will be on site during construction to monitor the progress and quality of the Work and to determine in general if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents. On the basis of on-site observations and communication with the Contractor, the Project Manager will keep the Owner informed of the progress of the Work and will endeavor to guard the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the Work of the Contractor.
- D. The Project Manager shall at all times have access to the Work wherever it is in preparation and progress. The Contractor shall provide facilities for such access so that the Project Manager may perform its functions under the Contract Documents.
- E. Based on the Project Manager's observations, and an evaluation of the Contractor's Application for Payment, the Project Manager will determine the amount owing to the Contractor and will issue to the Owner Certificates for Payment incorporating such amount.
- F. The Project Manager will be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents and the initial judge of the performance hereunder by the Contractor. The Owner will have final authority of all such matters.

- G. The Project Manager will render interpretations necessary for the proper execution or progress of the Work, with reasonable promptness and in accordance with agreed upon time limits. Either party to the Contract may make written request to the Project Manager for such interpretations.
- H. Claims, disputes, and other matters in question between the Contractor and the Project Manager relating to the execution or progress of the Work or the interpretation of the Contract Documents shall be referred to the Owner (or his/her designee).
- I. All interpretations and decisions of the Project Manager will be in writing or in graphic form and shall be both consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents and reasonably inferable therefrom.
- J. The Project Manager will have the authority to reject, or recommend to the Owner the rejection, of any work that does not conform to the Contract Documents. Whenever, in the Project Manager's opinion, it is considered necessary or advisable for the implementation of the intent of the Contract Documents, the Project Manager will have authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work whether or not such work be then fabricated, installed, or completed.
- K. The Project Manager will receive from the Contractor and review all Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples, and forward same to Architect and Owner for review.
- L. Following consultation with the Owner, the Project Manager will take appropriate action on changes and will have authority to order minor changes in the Work as provided herein.
- M. The Project Manager will conduct inspections to determine the date of Completion and will receive and forward to the Owner for the Owner's review written warranties and related documents required by the Contract Documents and assembled by the Contractor. The Project Manager will issue a final Project Certificate for Payment upon compliance with the requirements for completion and final payment. The Project Manager will monitor the warranty for a period of one (1) year from and after the date of acceptance of the Work, unless otherwise specified as a longer term.
- N. The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the Project Manager as the Owner's representatives during construction as set forth in the Contract Documents, will not be modified or extended without written consent of the Owner, the Contractor and the Project Manager, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Failure of the Contractor to respond within ten (10) business days to a written request shall constitute consent by the Contractor.
- O. In case of the termination of the employment of the Project Manager, the Owner may appoint a successor Project Manager, whose status and duties under the Contract Documents shall be the same as those of the former Project Manager.

## 2.08 OWNER

### A. Information and Services Required of the Owner

1. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Owner shall secure and pay for necessary approvals, easements, assessments, and charges required for the construction, use or occupancy of permanent structures or for permanent changes in existing facilities.
2. Information or services under the Owner's control shall be furnished by the Owner with reasonable promptness to avoid delay in the orderly progress of the Work.
3. The Owner shall forward all instructions to the Contractor through the Project Manager.

### B. Owner's Right to Stop the Work

If the Contractor fails to correct defective work as required by Section 2.42 herein or persistently fails to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Owner, by a written order signed personally or by an agent specifically so empowered by the Owner in writing, may order the Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated; however, this right of the Owner to stop the Work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of the Owner to exercise this right for the benefit of any contractor or any other person or entity, except to the extent required by Section 2.12.C.

### C. Owner's Right to Carry Out the Work

If the Contractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents and fails after written notice from the Owner to correct such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the Owner may, after an additional written notice and without prejudice to any other remedy the Owner may have, make good such deficiencies. In such case an appropriate Supplemental Work Order shall be issued deducting from the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor the cost of correcting such deficiencies, including compensation for the additional services of the Architect or other professionals made necessary by such default, neglect, or failure. Such action by the Owner and the amount charged to the Contractor are both subject to the prior approval of the Architect. If the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are not sufficient to cover such amount, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner, or Owner may require payment by the surety on the performance or warranty bonds as appropriate. Such action shall, in no way, affect the status of either party under contract, nor be held as a basis of any claim by the Contractor for damages or extension of time.

### D. Award of Individual Work Orders

The Owner may award an individual Work Order to any selected Contractor. Selection of the Contractor and award of the Work Order will be in compliance

with established Owner procedures and based on one or more of the following criteria:

1. Rotational selection among all Contractors, unless otherwise determined by the Owner.
2. Evaluation of past and current performance on Work Orders of a similar nature and type of work, project size, construction management challenges, schedule performance, design management requirements, etc.
3. Balancing of work load (Work Order dollar volume and construction backlog) among Contractors.
4. Management of Work Order dollar volume within bonding limitations of the Contractor.
5. Price, as it relates to the Owner's independent cost estimate.
6. Contractor's responsiveness to the Owner on Work Orders.
7. Other appropriate criteria as deemed in the best interest of the Owner.

## 2.09 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

### A. Procedure for Developing a Work Order

As the need exists, the Owner will notify the Contractor of a Project, schedule a Joint Scope Meeting, and issue a Notice of Joint Scope Meeting. The Contractor shall attend the Joint Scope Meeting and discuss, at a minimum:

1. the general scope of the work;
2. alternatives for performing the work and value engineering;
3. access to the site and protocol for admission;
4. hours of operation;
5. staging area;
6. requirements for catalog cuts, technical data, samples, and shop drawings;
7. requirements for professional services, sketches, drawings, and specifications;
8. construction duration;
9. liquidated damages;

10. the presence of hazardous materials;
11. date on which Proposal is due.

Upon completion of the joint scoping process, the Owner will prepare a draft Detailed Scope of Work referencing any sketches, drawings, photographs, and specifications required to document accurately the work to be accomplished. The Contractor shall review the Detailed Scope of Work and request any required changes or modifications. When an acceptable Detailed Scope of Work has been prepared, the Owner will issue a Request for Proposal that will require the Contractor to prepare a Work Order Proposal. The Detailed Scope of Work, unless modified by both the Contractor and the Owner, will be the basis on which the Contractor will develop its Work Order Package, and the Owner will evaluate the same. The Contractor does not have the right to refuse to perform any task or any work in connection with a particular Project.

The Owner may, at this option, include quantities in the Detailed Scope of Work if it helps to define the Detailed Scope of Work, if the actual quantities required are not known or cannot be determined at the time the Detailed Scope of Work is prepared, if the Contractor and the Owner cannot agree on the quantities required, or for any other reason as determined by the Owner. In all such cases, the Owner shall issue a Supplemental Job Order adjusting the quantities appearing in the Detailed Scope of Work to the actual quantities.

B. Preparation of the Price Proposal

The Contractor will prepare Price Proposals in accordance with the following:

1. Pre-priced Tasks: A Pre-priced Task is a task described and for which a Unit Price is set forth in the Construction Task Catalog<sup>®</sup>. For Pre-priced Tasks, the Contractor shall identify the task and quantities required from the Construction Task Catalog<sup>®</sup>.
2. Non-Pre-priced Tasks: Units of work not included in the Construction Task Catalog<sup>®</sup>, but within the general scope and intent of this Contract, may be negotiated into this Contract as needs arise. Such work requirements shall be incorporated into and made a part of this Contract for the Work Order to which they pertain and may be incorporated into the Construction Task Catalog<sup>®</sup> if determined appropriate by the County at the negotiated price. Non-Pre-Priced Tasks shall be separately identified and submitted in the Proposal.
  - a. The Contractor shall break down any Non-Pre-price item if the labor, material, or equipment required to accomplish the Non-Pre-priced task can be used out of the Construction Task Catalog<sup>®</sup> at a pre-price rate times the Bidder's appropriate Adjustment Factor. Whether a Work requirement is Pre-priced or Non-Pre-priced is a final determination by the County, binding and conclusive on the Contractor.

- b. Information submitted in support of Non-Pre-priced work shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Complete specifications and technical data, including work unit content, work unit costs data, schedule requirements; quality control and inspection requirements. Pricing data submitted in support of Non-Pre-Priced Tasks shall include a cost or price analysis report, establishing the basis for selecting the approach proposed to accomplish the requirements. Unless otherwise directed by the County, cost data shall be submitted demonstrating that the Contractor solicited and received three bids. The Contractor shall provide an installed unit price (or demolition price if appropriate), which shall include all costs required to accomplish the Non-Pre-priced Task.
- c. The final price submitted for Non-Pre-priced Tasks shall be according to the following formula:

**Contractor Performed Duties**

A = The number of hours for each labor classification and hourly rates

B = Equipment costs (other than small tools)

C = Three independent quotes for all materials

**Total Cost for self-performed work = (A+B+C) x Normal Hours Adjustment Factor (Only if A & B cannot be priced out of the Construction Task Catalog®)**

**For Work performed by Subcontractors:**

If the Work is to be subcontracted, the Contractor must submit three independent bids from Subcontractors. If three quotes or bids cannot be obtained, the Contractor will provide the reason in writing for the County's approval as to why three quotes cannot be submitted.

D = Subcontractor Costs (supported by three quotes)

**Total Costs of Non-Pre-Priced Task = D x Normal Hours Adjustment Factor**

- d. After a Non-Pre-priced Task has been approved by the Owner, the Unit Price for such task will be established, and fixed as a permanent Non-Pre-priced Task which will no longer require price justification.
  - e. The Owner's determination as to whether an item is a Pre-priced Task or a Non-Pre-priced Task shall be final, binding, and conclusive as to the Contractor.
3. Whenever, because of trade jurisdiction rules or small quantities, the cost of a minor task in the Price Proposal is less than the cost of the actual labor and material to perform such task, the Owner may permit the Contractor to be paid for such task as a Non-Pre-priced Task or use Pre-

priced labor tasks and material component pricing to cover the actual costs incurred. Provided, however, that there is no other work for that trade on the Project or other work for that trade cannot be scheduled at the same time and the final charge does not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

4. Contractor shall make the necessary arrangements for and obtain all filings and permits required for the Work, including the preparation of all drawings, sketches, calculations and other documents and information that may be required therefor. If the Contractor is required to pay an application fee for filing a project, a fee to obtain a building permit, or any other permit fee to the City, State or some other governmental or regulatory agency, then the amount of such fee paid by the Contractor for which a receipt is obtained shall be treated as a Reimbursable Task to be paid without mark-up. The cost of expediting services or equipment use fees are not reimbursable.
5. Design requirements will be determined by the scope of work defined in each Work Order. If the level of Architect/Engineer services for a Work Order requires stamped plans and specifications for the development of the Detailed Scope of Work, the Owner shall be responsible to prepare them. As needed, the contractor may assist with the development of the scope through one or more joint scope meetings and subsequent review of the prepared documents. All shop drawings, submittals and similar documents required in connection with a particular Work Order are considered to be incidental to the Contract and included in the Contractor's Adjustment Factors.
6. The Contractor's Price Proposal shall include, at a minimum:
  - a. Price Proposal;
  - b. Back Up for Non-Pre-priced Tasks;
  - c. Any other documentation requested by the Owner.
7. The Contractor's Price Proposal shall be submitted by the date indicated on the Request for Proposal. All incomplete Price Proposals shall be rejected. The time allowed for preparation of the Contractor's Price Proposal will depend on the complexity and urgency of the Work Order but should average between seven (7) and fourteen (14) days. On complex Work Orders, such as Work Orders requiring incidental engineering/architectural drawings and approvals and permits, allowance will be made to provide adequate time for preparation and submittal of the necessary documents.
8. By submitting a Price Proposal to the Owner, the Contractor agrees to accomplish the Detailed Scope of Work in accordance with the Request for Proposal at the price submitted. It is the Contractor's responsibility to include the necessary tasks and quantities in the Price Proposal and apply the appropriate Adjustment Factor(s) prior to delivering it to the Owner.



9. If the Contractor requires clarifications or additional information regarding the scope of work in order to prepare the Price Proposal, the request must be submitted so that the submittal of the Price Proposal is not delayed.

C. Review of the Price Proposal

1. If the Owner finds the Contractor's Price Proposal unacceptable, the Owner may request the Contractor to re-submit its Price Proposal or cancel the Work Order. After the Owner has reviewed the Price Proposal and an agreement has been reached between the Owner and the Contractor as to the nature of the revisions, if any, the Contractor is not allowed to make any changes to the revised Price Proposal other than the agreed upon changes. Unless otherwise specified by the Owner, if the Contractor is required to resubmit the Price Proposal, the revised Price Proposal is due no later than forty-eight (48) hours after the changes have been agreed upon.
2. The Contractor may choose the means and methods of construction; subject however, to the Owner's right to reject any means and methods proposed by the Contractor that:
  - a) Will constitute or create a hazard to the work, or to persons or property; or
  - b) Will not produce finished Work in accordance with the terms of the Contract; or
  - c) Unnecessarily increases the price of the Work Order when alternative means and methods are available; or
  - d) Deviates from the Detailed Scope of Work.
3. Once the Price Proposal is accepted by the Owner (by issuance of a Notice to Proceed through the Gordian System), the Work Order becomes a firm fixed, lump sum contract. Unless specifically stated in the Detailed Scope of Work, no adjustment in the proposed Pre-priced Tasks and Non-Pre-priced Tasks or quantities is allowed. Inspection of the Contractor's Work shall be against the Detailed Scope of Work including any Technical Specifications and Drawings, not against the Price Proposal.

D. Preparation of the Proposal Package:

1. Time for Submittal: Upon acceptance of the Contractor's Price Proposal, the Contractor will be required to submit the Proposal Package within five (5) working days of said acceptance, unless otherwise specified by the Owner. If the Contractor fails to meet the deadline for submittal of the Proposal Package, the Owner may declare the Contractor in default and initiate termination of the Work Order.

2. The Proposal Package shall include:
  - a. Price Proposal as agreed to
  - b. Final back-up for any Non-Pre-priced Tasks (if applicable)
  - c. Subcontractor List, including:
    - i. The name, license number and the location of the place of business of each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the general contractor in or about the construction of the work or improvement in an amount in excess of one-half (1/2) of one percent (1%) of the general contractor's total proposal amount, and
    - ii. The portion of the work which will be done by each subcontractor.
    - iii. The attention of bidders is directed to the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 4100 et seq which set forth the consequences and possible penalties which may result from a failure to comply strictly with the foregoing requirements for listing of subcontractors.
  - d. Final drawings, calculations, specifications (if applicable)
  - e. Final catalog cuts, (if applicable)
  - f. Special insurance, (if applicable)
  - g. For Special equipment and installations, a copy of the warranty document (if applicable)
  - h. Any other documentation required for the Work Order as indicated on the RFP (if applicable)
3. By submitting a Proposal Package to the Owner, the Contractor is agreeing to accomplish the Work outlined in the Request for Proposal and the Detailed Scope of Work for that particular Work Order.

E. Review of the Proposal Package and Issuance of the Work Order:

1. The Owner will evaluate the entire Proposal Package.
2. The Owner reserves the right to reject a Contractor's Proposal Package based on inadequate documentation, unacceptable subcontractors, or other inconsistencies on the Contractor's part.
3. The Owner reserves the right to reject a Price Proposal or cancel a Project for any reason. The Owner also reserves the right not to issue a Work Order if it is determined to be in the best interests of the Owner. The Owner

may perform such work by other means. The Contractor shall not recover any costs arising out of or related to the development of the Work Order including but not limited to the costs to attend the Joint Scope Meeting, review the Detailed Scope of Work, prepare a Proposal (including incidental architectural and engineering services), subcontractor costs, and the costs to review the Work Order Proposal with the Owner.

4. Each Work Order provided to the Contractor shall reference the Detailed Scope of Work and set forth the Work Order Price and the Work Order Completion Time. All clauses of this Contract shall be applicable to each Work Order. The Work Order, signed by the Owner and delivered to the Contractor constitutes the Owner's acceptance of the Contractor's Proposal Package. A signed copy of the Work Order will be provided to the Contractor.
5. In the event that immediate emergency response is necessary, the Contractor shall be required to follow alternative procedures as established by the Owner. The Contractor shall begin work as directed notwithstanding the absence of a fully developed Request for Proposal, Detailed Scope of Work, or Work Order. The Contractor shall be compensated in accordance with the Construction Task Catalog® and Non-Pre-priced Tasks as if the work had been ordered under the standard procedures.

F. Review of Contract Documents and Field Conditions

1. The Contractor shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents and shall at once report to the Project Manager any discrepancy or inconsistency that may be discovered. The Contractor shall not be liable to the Owner or the Project Manager for any damage resulting from any such inconsistencies or discrepancies in the Contract Documents unless the Contractor recognized such inconsistencies or discrepancies and knowingly failed to report it to the Project Manager, or the Contractor was responsible for the preparation of the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall perform no portion of the Work at any time unless authorized by the Contract Documents or, where required, approved Shop Drawings, Product Data or Samples for such portion of the Work.
2. Neither the Owner nor the Project Manager or Architect assume any responsibility for an understanding or representation made by any of their agents or representation prior to the execution of the Agreement unless (1) such understanding or representations are expressly stated in the Agreement, and (2) the Agreement expressly provides that responsibility therefore is assumed by the Owner.
3. Failure by the Contractor to acquaint himself/herself with all available information will not relieve him/her from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the Work.
4. The Contractor shall take field measurements and verify field conditions and shall carefully compare such field measurements and conditions and

other information known to the Contractor with the Contract Documents before commencing activities. Any inconsistencies or discrepancies discovered by the Contractor shall be reported to the Project Manager at once.

5. Before submitting any Request for Information (RFI), or other contractor initiated request for information, the Contractor shall determine that the information requested is not clearly provided in the Contract Documents. RFI's shall be submitted to the Project Manager only from the Contractor, or Owner, and not from any subcontractor, supplier, or other vendor, and shall be on a form approved by the Project Manager. The Contractor shall provide a revised and updated RFI Priority Schedule on a weekly basis. The RFI Priority Schedule shall rank RFI's in order of priority and include a brief statement of reason for priority. Owner initiated RFI's will not be listed on the Contractor's RFI Priority Schedule. The Owner will provide the Architect or Engineer a separate list of Owner initiated RFI's upon request of the Architect or Engineer. The Architect or Engineer will endeavor to respect the order of priorities as requested by the Contractor or Owner for the overall benefit of the Project. The RFI process is for information and clarification only and may not be utilized to obtain approval for changes in Work Order Price or time. Also see Division 01 - General Requirements.

G. Supervision Procedures

1. The Contractor shall efficiently supervise and direct the Work, using therein the Contractor's best skill and diligence for which he/she is remunerated in the Work Order Price. They shall carefully inspect the site and study and compare the Contract Documents, as ignorance of any phase of any of the features or conditions affecting the Contract will not excuse him/her from carrying out its provisions to its full intent.
2. The Contractor shall employ a competent superintendent and necessary assistants who shall be in attendance at the project site during the progress of the Work. The superintendent shall represent the Contractor and all communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor. Important communications shall be confirmed in writing. Other communications shall be so confirmed upon written request in each case. The Superintendent who begins the project shall remain on the project until the project is completed, as long as the Contractor employs that person. The Superintendent shall not be replaced without the approval of the Owner.
3. The Contractor shall be responsible to the Owner for the acts and omissions of his/her employees, subcontractors and their agents and employees, and other persons performing any of the Work under a contract with the Contractor.
4. The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among his/her employees and shall not employ on the Work any unfit person or anyone not skilled in the task assigned to him/her.

5. The Contractor shall not be relieved from his/her obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents either by the activities or duties of the Owner or the Architect or Engineer in his/her administration of the Contract, or by inspections, tests or approvals required or performed by persons other than the Contractor.
6. Contractor shall alert and inform their employees that State law requires that the identities of inmates/wards/patients/clients be kept confidential. Revealing the identities of inmates/wards/patients/clients is punishable by law.

H. Construction Procedures

1. For any work that takes place within secured facilities: All access to the construction site shall be coordinated with the appropriate Fresno County department as identified in the Detailed Scope of Work. Security background checks will be required for any employee that performs work within the secure perimeter of a facility. Security background forms can be obtained from the Project Manager. After the acceptance of the Contractor's Work Order Proposal but prior to the Notice to Proceed and the commencement of work, the forms for all required persons shall be submitted to the appropriate department for review. Vendor badges and/or other forms of identification will then be issued which must be worn at all times while within the secured areas of the site. The costs for the required background checks will be borne by the County.
2. Means and Methods - The Contractor shall be solely responsible for, and control of construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, coordination, and procedures for all the Work of this contract. Additionally, he/she shall be responsible for safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.
3. The Contractor shall coordinate all work with the Project Manager to minimize any interruptions to the normal operation of any affected facilities; particularly interruptions to air conditioning, electrical services, alarm systems, communications, and computer systems. The Contractor shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the Owner on a system as a result of work by the Contractor or damage caused by the Contractor's operations, including costs associated with false fire alarms caused by Contractor's operations.
4. Laws of County and State - The Contractor must comply with all laws, rules, regulations, provisions, and ordinances of the County in which the Work is being done, and all State laws pertaining to the Work.
5. Safeguards - The Contractor shall provide, in conformity with all local codes and ordinances and as may be required, such temporary walls, fences, guard-rails, barricades, lights, danger signs, enclosures, etc., and shall maintain such safeguards until all work is completed.

6. Housekeeping - Contractor shall keep the premises free of excess accumulated debris. Clean up as required and as directed by the Project Manager. At completion of work all debris shall be removed from the site. Refer to General Requirements for additional requirements.
7. Labor and Materials - Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall provide and pay for all labor, materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery, water, heat, utilities, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work, whether temporary or permanent and whether or not incorporated or to be incorporated in the Work.
8. The Contractor shall deliver to the Project Manager, prior to final acceptance of the Work as a whole, signed certificates from suppliers of materials and manufactured items stating that such items conform to the Contract Documents.
9. The Contractor, immediately upon Notice to Proceed of each individual Work Order (or where shop drawings, samples, etc., are required, immediately upon receipt of review thereof) shall place orders for all materials, work fabrication, and/or equipment to be employed by him/her in that portion of the Work contracted for. The Contractor shall keep all materials, work fabrications and/or equipment specified and shall advise the Project Manager promptly, in writing, of all orders placed and of such materials, work fabrications and/or equipment which may not be available in a timely manner for the purposes of the Contract.
10. Any worker whose work is unsatisfactory to the Owner or the Architect or Engineer or are considered by the Owner or Architect or Engineer to be careless, incompetent, unskilled, or otherwise unfit shall be dismissed from work under the Contract upon written request to the Contractor from the Owner or the Architect or Engineer.
11. Temporary Facilities – Contractor may connect to existing water and electricity available on the site provided it is suitable to the Contractor's requirements. Water and electricity used will be paid by the Owner. Contractor shall bear all expenses for carrying the water or electricity to the appropriate locations and to connect or tap into existing lines. Toilet facilities may be available on a site to the workers engaged in the performance of this contract. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to confirm with the Owner the availability of toilet facilities on the site. The use of such facilities may be revoked in the event of excess janitorial requirements.
12. Contractor shall not perform any fire hazardous operation adjacent to combustible materials. Any fire hazardous operation shall have proper fire extinguisher close by and the adjacent area shall be policed before stopping work for the day. Contractor shall provide not less than one OSHA/NFPA Class 6-ABC fire extinguisher for each 9,000 square feet of project area or fraction thereof.

13. Contractor shall erect temporary dust separation partitions and floor mats as necessary to confine dust and debris within area of work. Contractor shall post signs, erect, and maintain barriers and warning devices for the protection of the general public and Owner personnel. The Contractor shall provide adequate protection for all parts of the present building and its contents and occupants wherever work under this contract is to be performed. The Contractor shall observe that the health and welfare of occupants of the existing building may be affected by noises and fumes produced by the construction. Insofar as is possible, loud and unnecessary noise is to be avoided and noise producing work should be performed as far away from occupied areas as is consistent with the efficient conduct of the work.
14. Trenching and Excavation - In accordance with Section 7104 of the California Public Contract Code, the following provisions shall apply to any contract involving digging of trenches or other excavations that extend deeper than four feet below the surface:
  - a. The contractor shall promptly, and before the following conditions are disturbed, notify the Owner, in writing, of any:
    - i. Material that the contractor believes may be material that is hazardous waste, as defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code that is required to be removed to a Class I, Class II, or Class III disposal site in accordance with provisions of existing law.
    - ii. Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing from those indicated.
    - iii. Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature, different materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the contract.
  - b. The Owner shall promptly investigate the conditions, and if it finds that the conditions do materially so differ, or do involve hazardous waste, and cause a decrease or increase in the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work, shall issue a Supplemental Work Order in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.09 of the General Conditions.
  - c. In the event that a dispute arises between the Owner and the contractor whether the conditions materially differ, or involve hazardous waste, or cause a decrease or increase in the contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of any part of the work, the contractor shall not be excused from any scheduled completion date provided for by the contract, but shall proceed with all work to be performed under the contract. The contractor shall retain any and all rights provided either by contract

or by law which pertain to the resolution of disputes and protests between the contracting parties.

## 2.10 SUBCONTRACTORS

- A. Agreements - Agreements between the Contractor, Subcontractors, and Subcontractors of lower tier shall be subject to the approval of the Owner, but in no case does such approval relieve the Contractor of any conditions imposed by the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall only use subcontractors included in his/her Work Order Proposal unless first approved by the Owner pursuant to statute. The Contractor shall not use any subcontractor who is ineligible to perform work on a Public Works Project pursuant to section 1777.1 or 1777.7 of the Labor Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract Documents, subcontractors may be added, deleted, or substituted only in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 4100 et seq.
- B. Relation with Subcontractor – By an appropriate agreement, written where legally required for enforceability, the Contractor shall bind every Subcontractor and require therein that every Subcontractor agrees to be bound by the terms of the Contract Documents to carry out their provisions insofar as applicable to their work; and the Contractor further agrees to pay to each Subcontractor promptly upon issuance of Certificate of Payment, his/her or their due portion. Said agreement shall preserve and protect the rights of the Owner and the Architect under the Contract Documents with respect to the work to be performed by the Subcontractor so that the subcontracting thereof will not prejudice such rights, and shall allow to the Subcontractor, unless specifically provided otherwise in the Contractor-Subcontractor Agreement, the benefit of all rights, remedies and redress against the Contractor that the Contractor, under the Contract Documents, has against the Owner. Where appropriate, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor to enter into similar agreements with their Sub-subcontractors. The Contractor shall make available to each proposed Subcontractor, prior to the execution of the Subcontract, copies of the Contract Documents to which the Subcontractor will be bound by this Paragraph and identify to the Subcontractor any terms and conditions of the proposed Subcontract which may be at variance with the Contract Documents. Each Subcontractor shall similarly make copies of Contract Documents available to their Sub-subcontractors. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to create an agency relationship between the Owner and any Subcontractor or material supplier.
- C. Owner's Relation - Neither the acceptance of the name of Subcontractor nor the suggestion of such name nor any other act of the Owner or Architect nor anything contained in any Contract Document is to be construed as creating any contractual relation between the Owner (or Owner's authorized representatives) and any Subcontractor of any tier nor as creating any contractual relation between the Architect and any Subcontractor of any tier.
- D. All Subcontractors employed by the Contractor shall be appropriately licensed in conformity with the laws of the State of California.



- E. Jurisdictional disputes between Subcontractors or between Contractor and Subcontractor shall not be mediated or decided by the Owner or the Architect. The Contractor shall be responsible for the resolution of all such disputes based upon his/her contractual relationship with his/her Subcontractors.

## 2.11 OWNER'S RIGHT TO PERFORM WORK AND TO AWARD SEPARATE CONTRACTS

- A. The Owner reserves the right to perform work related to the Project with the Owner's own forces, and to award separate contracts in connection with other portions of the Project or other work on the site under these or similar Conditions of the Contract. If the Contractor claims that the Owner's action results in delay, damage, or additional cost attributable thereto, the Contractor shall make such claim as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents.
- B. When separate contracts are awarded for different portions of the Project or other work on the site, the term Contractor in the Contract Documents in each case shall mean the Contractor who executes each separate Owner-Contractor Agreement.
- C. The Owner shall provide for coordination of the activities of the Owner's own forces and of each separate contractor with the Work of the Contractor, who shall cooperate with them. The Contractor shall participate with other separate contractors and the Owner in reviewing their construction schedules when directed to do so. The Contractor shall make any revisions to the construction schedule deemed necessary after a joint review and mutual agreement. The construction schedules shall then constitute the schedules to be used by the Contractor, separate contractors, and the Owner until subsequently revised.
- D. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, when the Owner performs construction or operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces, the Owner shall be deemed to be subject to the same obligations and to have the same rights which apply to the Contractor under the Conditions of the Contract.

## 2.12 MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Contractor shall afford the Owner and separate contractors reasonable opportunity for introduction and storage of their materials and equipment and performance of their activities and shall connect and coordinate the Contractor's construction and operations with theirs as required by the Contract Documents.
- B. When any part of the Contractor's Work depends upon proper execution or results of the work of the Owner or any separate contractor, the Contractor shall, prior to proceeding with the Work, promptly report to the Project Manager any apparent discrepancies or defects in such other work that render it unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Failure of the Contractor so to report shall constitute an acceptance of the Owner's or separate contractor's work as fit and proper to receive the Work, except as to defects which may subsequently become apparent in such work by others.

- C. If, following the reporting of any discrepancy or defect as required herein above, the Contractor suffers damage due to disruption or delay caused by the separate contractor, without fault by the Owner, the Contractor's remedy shall be limited to seeking recovery from the separate contractor.
- D. Any costs caused by defective or ill-timed work shall be borne by the Contractor responsible therefor.
- E. Should the Contractor cause damage to the work or property of the Owner, or to other work or property on the site, the Contractor shall promptly remedy such damage as provided herein.
- F. Should the Contractor wrongfully delay or cause damage to the work or property of any separate contractor, the Contractor shall, upon due notice, promptly attempt to settle with such other contractor by agreement, or otherwise to resolve the dispute. If such separate contractor sues the Owner on account of any delay or damage alleged to have been caused by the Contractor, the Owner shall notify the Contractor who shall defend such proceedings, and if any judgment or award against the Owner (or Owner's authorized representatives) arises therefrom, the Contractor shall pay or satisfy such judgment or award in full and shall reimburse the Owner for all costs which the Owner has incurred in connection with such matter.

#### 2.13 OWNER'S RIGHT TO CLEAN UP

If a dispute arises between the Contractor and separate contractors as to their responsibility for cleaning up as required in the Contract Documents, the Owner may clean up and the contractor responsible shall pay Owner such portions of the cost as the Project Manager shall determine to be just.

#### 2.14 GOVERNING LAW

The Contract shall be governed by the law of the State of California.

#### 2.15 INSPECTION

- A. All material and workmanship (if not otherwise designated by the Contract Documents) shall be subject to inspection, examination, and test by the Owner and Project Manager at any and all times during manufacture and/or construction and at any and all places where such manufacture and/or construction are carried on. The Owner and Project Manager shall have the right to reject defective material and workmanship or require its correction.
- B. The Contractor shall furnish promptly without additional charge, all reasonable facilities, labor, and materials necessary for the safe and convenient inspection and tests that may be required by the Owner and Project Manager.

- C. Where the Contract Documents, instructions by the Owner, laws, ordinances, or any public authority having jurisdiction requires work to be inspected, tested or approved before work proceeds, such work shall not proceed, nor shall it be concealed prior to inspection.
- D. The Contractor shall give the Project Manager at least two (2) business days advance notice of the readiness for any Contract compliance inspection by the Inspector. The Contractor shall give notice as required by all other inspecting and testing agencies of jurisdiction for Code and regular compliance inspection. In all cases, the Contractor shall schedule inspections so as not to delay the Work.
- E. If the Project Manager determines that any work requires additional special inspection beyond that identified in the specifications, the Project Manager will, upon written authorization from the Owner, instruct the Contractor to order such special inspection, testing or approval, and the Contractor shall give notice as provided above. If such special inspection or testing reveals a failure of the Work to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall bear all costs thereof, including compensation for the Project Manager's additional services, testing or inspections made necessary by such failure; otherwise, the Owner shall bear such costs, and an appropriate Supplemental Work Order shall be issued.
- F. Should it be considered necessary or advisable by the Project Manager at any time either before acceptance of the entire Work or after acceptance and within the guaranty period to make an examination of work already completed, by removing or tearing out same, the Contractor shall on request promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material. If such work is found to be defective in any material respect, due to the fault of the Contractor or his/her Subcontractors, he/she shall defray all the expenses of such examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such work is found to meet the requirements of the contract, any compensation deemed appropriate shall be handled by issuance of a Contract Change Order to the Contractor and he/she shall, in addition, if completion of the work has been delayed thereby, be granted a suitable extension of Work Order Time on account of the additional work involved.
- G. Required certificates of inspection, testing or approval shall be secured by the Contractor and the Contractor shall promptly deliver them to the Project Manager for review and evaluation of compliance with the appropriate specifications and standards.
- H. When the work is completed, the Contractor shall notify the Project Manager in writing that the work will be ready for final inspection and test on a definite date which shall be stated in such notice.

## 2.16 TAXES, PERMITS, FEES, AND INDEMNIFICATION FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT CLAIM

- A. The Contractor shall pay for and include all Federal, State, and local taxes direct or indirect for the work or portions thereof provided by the Contractor which are legally enacted at the time the Notice to Proceed is issued, whether or not yet

enacted, and secure and pay all fees and charges for permits and licenses, unless otherwise specified.

- B. Royalty and license fees incidental to the use of any patented material, device or process shall be paid by the Contractor and in the event of a claim of alleged infringement of patent copyright, or Trade Secret rights, the Contractor shall indemnify, save the Owner (and Owner's authorized representatives) free and harmless, and defend, at the Contractor's own expense, any and all suits that may be brought in such connection.
- C. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Owner shall secure and pay for the building permit, permanent utility connection fees, and right-of-way encroachment permit. The Contractor shall secure and pay for temporary construction utilities, and all other permits and governmental fees, licenses, and inspections necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work.
- D. The Contractor shall give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and lawful orders of any public authority bearing on the performance of the Work.
- E. It is not the responsibility of the Contractor to make certain that the Contract Documents are in accordance with applicable laws, statutes, building codes and regulations. If the Contractor observes that any of the Contract Documents are at variance therewith in any respect, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Project Manager in writing, and any necessary changes shall be accomplished by appropriate Modification.
- F. If the Contractor performs any work knowing it to be contrary to any laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, without notice to the Project Manager, the Contractor shall assume full responsibility therefore and shall bear all costs attributable thereto.
- G. Any reference in the Contract Documents to codes, standard specifications or manufacturer's instructions shall mean the latest printed edition of each in effect at the Contract date.

## 2.17 CONTRACTOR'S CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- A. Within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of Notice to Proceed for each individual Work Order, the Contractor shall submit a Construction Schedule in CPM (Critical Path Method) form to the Project Manager for approval. The Construction Schedule shall be sufficiently detailed to accurately depict all the work required by the Contract. CPM Construction Schedule shall reflect shop drawings; submittals due and return dates, fabrication and delivery times, cost loading, crew mix, and equipment loading data. The Contractor shall thereafter adhere to the Construction Schedule, as updated monthly, or as necessary in accordance with the Contract Documents including any scope changes, or changes in the work approved by the Owner during the course of construction. "Slack" or "float" time on the CPM Construction Schedule is neither for the sole benefit of the Owner or Contractor.

- B. Within fourteen (14) calendar days after the pre-construction conference, the Contractor shall provide a Submittal and Procurement Schedule indicating time periods for review of Shop Drawings, Data, Samples, and procurement of material and equipment required for the Work. Contractor shall allow time for submittal review in accordance with the General Requirements Section – Construction Progress Documentation. All items that require review by the Project Manager and/or are not readily available from stock and requiring more than thirty-five (35) days lead-time shall be included in the Submittal and Procurement Schedule. Items listed in the Submittal and Procurement Schedule shall also be identified as activities on the CPM Construction Schedule. Contractor shall identify items requiring coordination with work of separate contractors. The working day to calendar date correlation shall be based upon the Contractor's proposed work week with adequate allowance for legal holidays, days lost due to abnormal weather, and any special requirements of the Project.
- C. The Construction Schedule shall be prepared and maintained by the Contractor.
- D. The Owner, Project Manager, Contractor, and other Contractor(s) shall jointly review the progress of the work weekly. Should this review, in the opinion of the Project Manager, indicate that the work is behind the schedule established by currently reviewed Construction Schedule, the Contractor shall either (1) provide a plan to the Project Manager indicating the steps the Contractor intends to take in order to recover the time behind schedule and conform to the reviewed Construction Schedule; or (2) submit a revised Construction Schedule for completion of the work, remaining within the Work Order Completion Time, to the Project Manager for review by the next weekly meeting. If the Contractor's recovery or revised schedule requires work to occur during Other Than Normal Working Hours, the Contractor will be responsible for any resulting costs incurred by the Owner, including but not limited to, the costs for construction management, contract administration, inspection, testing and staffing.
- E. The Contractor shall deliver copies of his/her daily job logs to the Project Manager and Owner on a weekly basis or as otherwise agreed to by Owner. At a minimum, the Contractor's daily job log should include the sub-contractors working onsite, number of workers and their trade classification, description of work, visitors, temperature and weather conditions, accidents, delays, and any other important information pertaining to the project that day. The Contractor will schedule and coordinate the Work of all sub-contractors on the Project. The Contractor will keep the Sub-contractors informed of the Construction Schedule to enable the Contractor to plan and perform the Work properly.

## 2.18 RECORDS, DOCUMENTS AND SAMPLES AT THE SITE

- A. The Contractor shall maintain all records of required Review Agencies, County or State inspections and shall promptly notify the Project Manager of the results of any inspection. Copies of all such records shall be provided to the Owner.
- B. The Contractor shall secure and maintain required certificates of inspection, testing or approval and shall promptly deliver them to the Project Manager.

- C. The Contractor shall maintain at the Project site, on a daily basis, one (1) record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Work Orders, and other Modifications, in good order and marked currently to record all changes made during construction, and reviewed Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples. These shall be available to the Project Manager and the Owner and reviewed weekly and shall be delivered to the Project Manager for forwarding to the Owner upon completion of the Project. The Contractor shall advise the Project Manager on a current basis of all changes in the Work made during construction. Payment may be withheld from Contractor for failure to maintain current Record Documents.

## 2.19 USE OF SITE

- A. The Contractor shall confine operations at the site to areas permitted by law, ordinances, permits and the Contract Documents, and shall not unreasonably encumber the site with any materials or equipment.
- B. The Contractor shall coordinate all of the Contractor's operations with, and secure approval from, the Project Manager before using any portion of the site. Also see Technical Specifications, Division I, General Requirements.

## 2.20 CUTTING AND PATCHING OF WORK

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for all cutting, fitting, or patching that may be required to complete the Work or to make its several parts fit together properly.
- B. The Contractor shall not damage or endanger any portion of the Work or the work of the Owner or any separate contractors by cutting, patching, or otherwise altering any work, or by excavation. The Contractor shall not cut or otherwise alter the work of the Owner or any separate contractor except with the written consent of the Owner and of such separate contractor. The Contractor shall not unreasonably withhold from the Owner or any separate contractor consent to cutting or otherwise altering the Work.
- C. The Contractor in all cases shall exercise extreme care in any cutting operations and perform such operations under adequate supervision by competent mechanics skilled in the applicable trade. Openings shall be neatly cut and shall be kept as small as possible to avoid unnecessary damage. Careless and/or avoidable cutting damage, etc., will not be tolerated, and the Contractor will be held responsible for such avoidable or willful damage.
- D. All replacing, patching, and repairing of all materials and surfaces cut or damaged in the execution of the Work shall be performed by experienced mechanics of the several trades involved. All work of such nature shall be done with the applicable materials, in such a manner that all surfaces so replaced, repaired, or patched, will, upon completion of the Work, match the surrounding similar surfaces.

## 2.21 CLEANING UP

- A. The Contractor shall at all times keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by the Contractor's operations. At the completion of the Work, the Contractor shall remove all the Contractor's waste materials and rubbish from and about the Project as well as all the Contractor's tools, construction equipment, machinery, and surplus materials.
- B. If the Contractor fails to clean up at the completion of the Work, the Owner may do so and the cost thereof shall be paid by the Contractor.

## 2.22 INDEMNIFICATION

- A. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to and shall indemnify, save, hold harmless and at Owner's request, defend Owner and its officers, agents and employees, and the Architect and Consultants and their respective officers, agents and employees, from any and all costs and expenses, attorney fees and court costs, damages, liabilities, claims and losses occurring or resulting to Owner, the Architect or Consultants in connection with the performance, or failure to perform, by Contractor, its officers, agents or employees under this Agreement, and from any and all costs and expenses, attorney fees and court costs, damages, liabilities, claims and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged by the performance, or failure to perform, of Contractor, its officers, agents or employees under this Agreement. In addition, Contractor agrees to indemnify Owner for Federal, State of California and/or local audit exceptions resulting from non-compliance herein on the part of Contractor.
- B. In any and all claims against the Owner, the Architect or Consultants, or any of their respective officers, agents or employees, initiated by any employee of the Contractor, any Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or any Subcontractor under workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.
  - 1. Independent Contractor: In performance of the work, duties and obligations assumed by Contractor under this Agreement, it is mutually understood and agreed that Contractor, including any and all of the Contractor's officers, agents, and employees will at all times be acting and performing as an independent contractor, and shall act in an independent capacity and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, partner, or associate of the Owner. Furthermore, Owner shall have no right to control or supervise or direct the manner or method by which Contractor shall perform its work and function. However, Owner shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that Contractor is performing its obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof.

2. Contractor and Owner shall comply with all applicable provisions of law and the rules and regulations, if any, of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over matters the subject thereof.
3. Because of its status as an independent contractor, Contractor shall have absolutely no right to employment rights and benefits available to Owner employees. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, Contractor shall be solely responsible and save Owner harmless from all matters relating to payment of Contractor's employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, Contractor may be providing services to others unrelated to the Owner or to this Agreement.

## 2.23 FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES CLAUSE

Nondiscrimination: In connection with the performance of Work under the contract, the Contractor agrees (as prescribed in Chapter 6 of Division 3 of Title II of the Government Code of the State of California, commencing at Section 12900 and by Labor Code Section 1735) not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status or sex. The aforesaid provisions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post hereafter in conspicuous places, available for employees and applicants for employment, Notices to be provided by the County, setting forth the provisions of this discrimination clause. The Contractor further agrees to insert the foregoing provisions in all subcontracts hereunder, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies of raw materials.

## 2.24 PAYMENT

- A. The Owner shall make one payment for all Work Orders that have a Work Order Completion Time of forty-five (45) days or less, or a Work Order Price of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or less. For all other Work Orders, the Owner may make partial, monthly payments based on a percentage of the work completed.
- B. SCHEDULE OF VALUES

Before the first Application for Payment, the Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager a Schedule of Values allocated to the various portions of the Work, prepared in such form, and supported by such data to substantiate its accuracy as the Project Manager may require. This schedule, unless objected to by the Project Manager, shall be used only as a basis for the Contractor's Applications for Payment.



### C. APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT

The Owner will make progress payments to the Contractor upon completion of portions of the Work, as covered by the Contract Documents, in accordance with established Owner procedures. Before submitting an Application for Payment (Final or Partial) the Contractor shall reach an agreement with the Project Manager (in consultation with the Architect) concerning the percentage complete of the Detailed Scope of Work and the dollar value for which the Application for Payment may be submitted.

1. On or about the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) of the month in which the work was performed, the Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager an itemized Application for Payment, notarized if required, supported by such data substantiating the Contractor's right to payment as the Owner or the Project Manager may require, including appropriate updates to the Construction Schedule, and reflecting retainage, if any, as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents. Payment is expressly conditioned upon submission by the Contractor of conditional and unconditional waivers and release of lien rights upon progress payment as the Owner or the Architect may require. Waiver and Release forms must be submitted on forms approved by the Owner. Copies of said forms shall comply with Civil Code Section 8132 through 8138, inclusive.
2. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, payments may be made on account of materials or equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the site and, if approved in advance by the Owner, payments may similarly be made for materials or equipment suitably stored at some other location agreed upon in writing. Payments for materials or equipment stored on or off the site shall be conditioned upon submission by the Contractor of bills of sale or such other procedures satisfactory to the Owner to establish the Owner's title to such materials or equipment or otherwise protect the Owner's interest, including applicable insurance and transportation to the site for those materials and equipment stored off the site.
3. The Contractor warrants that title to all work, materials, and equipment covered by an Application for Payment will pass to the Owner either by incorporation in the construction or upon receipt of payment by the Contractor, whichever occurs first, free and clear of all liens, stop notices, claims, security interest or encumbrances, hereinafter referred to as "liens"; and that no work, materials or equipment covered by an Application for Payment will have been acquired by the Contractor, or by any other person performing work at the site or furnishing materials and equipment for the Project, subject to an agreement under which an interest therein or an encumbrance thereon is retained by the seller or otherwise imposed by the Contractor or such other person.
4. On or about the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) day of the month following the month in which the work was performed, the Owner shall pay to the Contractor ninety-five percent (95%) of the value of said work in place, as checked

and approved by the Project Manager. The balance of five percent (5%) of the estimate shall be retained by the Owner until the time of final acceptance of said work. In lieu of the five percent (5%) retainage, the Contractor may substitute securities as provided herein below.

- a. If the Owner does not pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request for a progress payment, excluding that portion of the final payment designated by the contract as retention earnings, then the Owner shall pay interest to the Contractor as provided by Public Contract Code Section 20104.50. Said interest penalty is the sole recourse of Contractor and Contractor shall have no right to stop the Work until payment of the amount owing has been received, nor shall the Work Order Completion Time be extended, nor shall the Work Order Price be increased in any way, including by reason of any costs incurred by Contractor, except to the extent of said interest payment.
  - b. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 7107, in the event of a dispute between the Owner and Contractor, the Owner may withhold from the final payment an amount not to exceed one hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the disputed amount. Except as so provided, the Owner shall release the retention withheld within sixty (60) days after the date of Work Order completion of the work of improvement, as "completion" is defined in Public Contract Code Section 7107. In the event that retention payments are not made within the time periods required by Public Contract Code Section 7107, the Owner may be subject to the interest provisions of Public Contract Code Section 7107.
5. Security Substitutions and Escrow for Moneys Withheld to Insure Contractor's Performance. Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, the Contractor may deposit in an escrow, equivalent securities for any moneys withheld to ensure performance and have said moneys paid directly to Contractor, or, in the alternative, have the Owner deposit such moneys directly into an escrow. Upon the closing of any such escrow, Contractor shall pay to each Subcontractor, not later than twenty (20) days after receipt of the closing payment, the respective amount of interest earned, net of costs attributed to retention withheld from each Subcontractor, on the amount of retention withheld to insure the performance of the Contractor. Any escrow established pursuant to this article shall be with a state or federally chartered bank, shall be at the sole expense of the Contractor, and shall be established using an escrow agreement in substantially the following form:

(Begin Escrow Agreement)

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**ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY DEPOSITS IN LIEU OF RETENTION**

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This Escrow Agreement is made and entered into by and between the County of Fresno, (hereinafter called "Owner"), \_\_\_\_\_, (hereinafter called "Contractor"); and \_\_\_\_\_, a state or federally chartered bank in California, (hereinafter called "Escrow Agent").

For the consideration hereinafter set forth, the Owner, Contractor, and Escrow Agent agree as follows:

1. Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code of the State of California, Contractor has the option to deposit securities with Escrow Agent as a substitute for retention earnings required to be withheld by Owner pursuant to the Construction Contract entered into between the Owner and Contractor for \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, and dated \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract"). Alternatively, on written request of the contractor, the owner shall make payments of the retention earnings directly to the escrow agent. When Contractor deposits the securities as a substitute for Contract earnings, the Escrow Agent shall notify the Owner within ten (10) days of the deposit. The market value of the securities at the time of the substitution, as valued by the Owner, shall be at least equal to the cumulative total cash amount then required to be withheld as retention under the terms of the contract between Owner and Contractor. If the Owner determines that the securities are not adequate it will notify Contractor and Escrow Agent, and Contractor shall deposit additional security as further determined by the Owner. Securities shall be held in the name of the Owner and shall designate the Contractor as the beneficial owner.
2. Securities eligible for investment under subdivision (c) of the above-referenced Section 22300 shall include those listed in Section 16430 of the Government Code and shall also include bank or savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest-bearing demand deposit accounts, and standby letters of credit. Deposit of any other type of security may be permitted only by mutual agreement of the Contractor and the Owner, evidenced by an amendment to this agreement executed by all of the parties hereto.
3. Upon the deposit of adequate securities, Owner shall make progress payments to the Contractor for such funds which otherwise would be withheld from progress payments pursuant to the Contract provisions.
4. When the Owner, at Contractor's written request, makes payment of retentions earned directly to the Escrow Agent, the Escrow Agent shall hold them for the benefit of the Contractor until such time as the escrow created under this contract is terminated. The Contractor may direct the investment of the payments into securities. All terms and conditions of this agreement and the rights and responsibilities of the parties shall be equally applicable and binding when the Owner pays the Escrow Agent directly.

5. Contractor shall be responsible for paying all fees for the expenses incurred by Escrow Agent in administering the Escrow Account and all expenses of the Owner. The Owner, Contractor and Escrow Agent shall determine these expenses and payment terms.
6. The interest earned on the securities or the money market accounts held in escrow and all interest earned on that interest shall be for the sole account of Contractor and shall be subject to withdrawal by Contractor at any time and from time to time without notice to the Owner.
7. Contractor shall have the right to withdraw all or any part of the principal in the Escrow Account only by written notice to Escrow Agent accompanied by written authorization from Owner to the Escrow Agent that Owner consents to the withdrawal of the amount sought to be withdrawn by Contractor.
8. The Owner shall have the right to draw upon the securities or any amount paid directly to Escrow Agent in the event of default by the Contractor. Upon seven (7) days written notice to the Escrow Agent from the Owner of the default, the Escrow Agent shall immediately convert the securities to cash and shall distribute the cash, including any amounts paid directly to Escrow Agent, as instructed by the Owner. Escrow Agent shall not be concerned with the validity of any notice of default given by Owner pursuant to this paragraph and shall promptly comply with Owner's instructions to pay over said escrowed assets. Escrow Agent further agrees not to interplead the escrowed assets in response to conflicting demands and hereby waives any present or future right of interpleader.
9. Upon receipt of written notification from the Owner certifying that the Contract is final and complete, and that the Contractor has complied with all requirements and procedures applicable to the Contract, Escrow Agent shall release to Contractor all securities and interest on deposit less escrow fees and charges of the Escrow Account. The escrow shall be closed immediately upon disbursement of all moneys and securities on deposit and payment of fees and charges.
10. Escrow Agent shall rely on the written notifications from the Owner and Contractor pursuant to Sections (6), (7), (8) and (9) of this Agreement and the Owner and Contractor shall hold Escrow Agent harmless from Escrow Agent's release and disbursement of the securities and interest as set forth above.
11. Securities eligible for investment under this Agreement, as provided by Public Contract Code Section 22300, shall be those listed in Section 16430 of the Government Code, bank or savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest bearing demand deposit accounts, standby letters of credit, or any other security mutually agreed to by the Contractor and Owner.
12. The venue of any litigation concerning the rights and obligations of the parties to this agreement shall be the County of Fresno and the parties hereto waive the removal provisions of Code of Civil Procedure Section 394.
13. The names of the persons who are authorized to give written notice or to receive written notice on behalf of the Owner and on behalf of Contractor in connection with the foregoing, and exemplars of their respective signatures are as follows:

**On behalf of Owner:**

Title – **Business Manager**

Name – **Lemuel Asprec**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address- **2220 Tulare, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721**

**On behalf of Contractor:**

Title

Name

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address

**On behalf of Escrow Agent:**

Title

Name

Signature

Address

At the time the Escrow Account is opened, the Owner and Contractor shall deliver to the Escrow Agent a fully executed counterpart of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their proper officers on the date first set forth above.

**Owner:**

Title – **Steven White, Director  
Department of Public Works and Planning**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address- **2220 Tulare, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721**

**Contractor:**

Title  
Name

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address

**Escrow Agent:**

Title

Name

Signature

Address

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(End Escrow Agreement)

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6. Itemized Breakdown: The Contractor shall submit a financial breakdown of the work, itemized by crafts or sections as designated by the Owner. The Contractor's payment shall be based upon the monthly percentage of completion of these items.
7. Lien Waivers: The Owner may require the Contractor to submit, along with the progress payment request, notarized lien waivers from each Subcontractor, materials, or equipment supplier. Lien waivers shall comply with Civil Code Section 8132, et seq., and the aggregate sum thereof shall reflect all progress payments previously made.

D. CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT

1. The Project Manager shall, within seven (7) days after the receipt of the Project Application for Payment, review the Project Application for Payment and either issue a Project Certificate for Payment to the Owner for such amounts as the Project Manager determines are properly due, or notify the Contractor in writing of the reasons for withholding a Certificate provided in Part F of this Section 2.24.
2. The issuance of a Project Certificate for Payment will constitute a representation by the Project Manager to the Owner that, based on the Project Manager's observations at the site as provided herein and the data comprising the Project Application for Payment, the Work has progressed to the point indicated and that, to the best of the Project Manager's knowledge, information and belief, the quality and timeliness of the Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work for conformance with the Contract Documents upon Completion of the Work, to the results of any subsequent tests required by or performed under the Contract Documents, to minor deviations from the Contract Documents correctable prior to completion, and to any specific qualifications stated in the Certificate); and that based upon all currently available information, the Contractor is entitled to payment in the amount certified. However, by issuing a Project Certificate for Payment, the Project Manager shall not thereby be deemed to represent that the Project Manager has made exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work, has reviewed the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or has made any examination to ascertain how or for what purpose the Contractor has used the monies previously paid on account of the Work Order Price.

E. PROGRESS PAYMENTS

1. After the Project Manager has issued a Project Certificate for Payment, the Owner shall make payment in the manner and within the time provided in the Contract Documents.
2. The Contractor shall promptly pay each Subcontractor upon receipt of payment from the Owner, out of the amount paid to the Contractor on

account of such Subcontractor's Work, the amount to which Subcontractor is entitled, reflecting the percentage actually retained, if any, from payments to the Contract on account of such Subcontractor's Work. The Contractor shall, by an appropriate agreement with each Subcontractor, require each Subcontractor to make payments to their Sub-subcontractors in similar manner.

3. The Project Manager may on request of any Subcontractor, at the Project Manager's discretion, furnish to that Subcontractor, if practicable, information regarding the percentages of completion or the amounts applied for by the Contractor and the action taken thereon by the Project Manager on account of Work done by such Subcontractor.
4. Neither the Owner nor the Project Manager shall have any obligation to pay or to see to the payment of any monies to any Subcontractor or Material Suppliers except as may otherwise be required by law.
5. Neither certification of a progress payment, delivery of a progress payment, nor partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the Owner, shall constitute an acceptance of any Work not performed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

#### F. PAYMENTS WITHHELD

1. The Project Manager may decline to certify payment and may withhold the Certificate in whole or in part to the extent necessary to reasonably protect the Owner, if, in the Project Manager's opinion, the Project Manager is unable to make representations to the Owner as provided herein above for Certificates for Payment. If the Project Manager is unable to make representations to the Owner and certify payment in the amount of the Project Application, the Project Manager will notify the Contractor as provided herein. If the Contractor and the Project Manager cannot agree on a revised amount, the Project Manager will promptly issue a Project Certificate for Payment for the amount for which the Project Manager is able to make such representations to the Owner. The Project Manager may also decline to certify payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent observations, the Project Manager may nullify the whole or any part of any Project Certificate for Payment previously issued to such extent as may be necessary, in the Project Manager's opinion, to protect the Owner from loss because of:
  - a. Defective Work not remedied;
  - b. Third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims, including claims by separate contractors;
  - c. Failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors, or for labor, materials, or equipment;
  - d. Architect's determination, based upon reasonable evidence, that the Work cannot be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum;
  - e. Damage to the Owner or another contractor;

- f. Architect's determination, based upon reasonable evidence, that the Work will not be accomplished in compliance with the Work Order Completion Time;
  - g. Persistent failure to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents;
  - h. Failure of the Contractor to submit Construction Schedules or Submittal and Procurement Schedules as required;
  - i. Failure of the Contractor to maintain record drawings on a current basis;
  - j. Failure of the Contractor to submit notarized lien waivers from each Subcontractor, materials, or equipment supplier;
  - k. Failure of the Contractor to submit certified payroll reports;
  - l. Stop notice served upon the Owner.
2. A retention in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) will be withheld from the Contractor's monthly progress payment for each and every required document not submitted in a timely manner by the Contractor or its subcontractors up to a maximum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). For purposes of this Paragraph, the term "required document" includes, but is not limited to, certified payrolls, labor compliance documents, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise documents, and any other information or documents required to be submitted by the Contractor or any of its subcontractors under the terms of this Agreement or pursuant to applicable federal, state or local laws or regulations. The retention provided for in this Paragraph shall be in addition to any other deduction or retention allowed under this Agreement and shall be in addition to any other remedy or consequence provided by law for untimely submission of any required document. Such retention shall remain in effect only until such time as the required documents have been submitted by the Contractor or its subcontractor(s) and have been determined by the Owner to be both complete and acceptable as to form.
3. When the grounds as noted above are removed, payment shall be made for amounts withheld on the basis thereof.

G. COMPLETION AND FINAL PAYMENT

1. Following the Contractor's completion of the Work of each individual Work Order, the Contractor shall forward to the Project Manager a written notice that the Work is ready for final inspection and acceptance and shall also forward to the Project Manager a final Application for Payment. Upon receipt, the Project Manager will promptly make such inspection. When the Project Manager finds the Work acceptable under the Contract documents and the Contract fully performed, the Project Manager will issue a Project Certificate for Payment which will certify the final payment due the Contractor. This certification will constitute a representation that, to the best of the Project Manager's knowledge, information and belief, and on the basis of observations and inspections, the Work has been completed in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Contract Documents and that the entire balance found to be due the Contractor, and noted in said Certificate, is due and payable. The Project Manager's



certification of said Project Certificate for Payment will constitute a further representation that the conditions precedent to the Contractor's being entitled to final payment as set forth herein below have been fulfilled.

2. Neither the final payment on each individual Work Order nor the remaining retainage shall become due until the Contractor submits to the Project Manager (1) an affidavit that all payrolls, bills for materials and equipment, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which the Owner or the Owner's property might in any way be responsible, have been paid or otherwise satisfied, (2) consent of surety, if any, to final payment, and (3) other data establishing payment or satisfaction of all such obligations, such as receipts, releases and waivers of liens arising out of the Contract, to the extent and in such form as may be designated by the Owner. If any Subcontractor refuses to furnish a release or waiver required by the Owner, the Contractor may furnish a bond satisfactory to the Owner to indemnify the Owner against any such lien. The bond cannot be from the original surety insurer for the project or any affiliate of the original surety. If any such lien remains unsatisfied after all payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the Owner all monies that the latter may be compelled to pay in discharging such lien.
3. All provisions of this Agreement, including without limitation those establishing obligations and procedures, shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the making or acceptance of final payment, and the making of final payment shall not constitute a waiver of any claims by the Owner.
4. Upon completion and acceptance of all work whatsoever required on each individual Work Order, and upon the release of all claims against the Owner as specified, the Owner shall file a written Notice of Completion with the County Recorder as to the entire amount of work performed for each individual Project.
5. Final payment will be released within sixty (60) days after the date of acceptance of the Work as reflected in the Notice of Completion filed with the County Recorder's Office; provided, that Owner may withhold from the final payment, in the event of a dispute between Owner and Contractor, retentions in and amount not exceeding 150 percent of the disputed amount. At the Contractor's option, the Owner may release retention upon receipt of an unconditional lien release for the full value of the Work Order and any of its Supplemental Work Orders.
6. All manufacturers' warranties required by the Contract Documents shall commence on the date of the Notice of Completion for the Work. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility, through appropriate contractual arrangements with all subcontractors, materialmen, and suppliers, to ensure compliance with this requirement.
7. The acceptance by the Contractor of the final payment, after the date of Notice of Completion of the Project, shall be and shall operate as a release to the Owner of all claims and of all liability to the Contractor, under the

Contract Documents or otherwise, for all things done or furnished in connection with this Work, excepting only the Contractor's claims for interest upon final payment, if such final payment be improperly delayed. No payments, however, final, or otherwise, shall operate to release the Contractor or his/her sureties from any obligations under the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the Performance and Payment Bonds.

## 2.25 CHANGES TO THE WORK

- A. The Owner, without invalidating the Contract or a Work Order, may order changes in the Work within the general scope of the Contract consisting of additions, deletion, or other revisions. All such changes in the Work shall be authorized by a Supplemental Work Order and shall be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents.
- B. SUPPLEMENTAL WORK ORDER: A Work Order issued to add or delete Work from an existing, related Work Order. Only an executed Supplemental Work Order will effectuate change in either the Work Order Price and/or the Work Order Time.
- C. All claims for additional compensation to the Contractor shall be presented in writing before the expense is incurred and will be adjusted as provided herein. No work shall be allowed to lag pending such adjustment, but shall be promptly executed as directed, even if a disputed claim arises. No claim will be considered after the work in question has been done unless a Supplemental Work Order has been issued or a timely written notice of claim has been made by Contractor.
- D. Supplemental Work Orders are developed by the same method as a Work Order as provided under Section 2.09.A, Procedures for Developing a Work Order.
- E. The value of tasks deleted from the Detailed Scope of Work shall be calculated according to the standard procedures for calculating all Pre-priced Tasks and Non-Pre-priced Tasks. The result is that a credit for Tasks that have been deleted from the Detailed Scope of Work will be given at one hundred percent (100%) of the value at which they were included in the original Price Proposal.

## 2.26 NOT USED

## 2.27 SITE CONDITIONS

- A. Where investigations have been conducted by the Owner of existing conditions on a site, including subsurface conditions, such investigations are made for the purpose of design only and for the information of bidders. The results of such investigations represent only the statement by the Owner as to the circumstance and character of materials actually encountered by the Owner during the investigations. The Owner makes no guarantee or warranty, express or implied, that the conditions indicated are representative of conditions existing throughout

the site of a Project or any part of it, or that unanticipated conditions might not occur.

- B. All excavation work shall be performed on an "unclassified basis"; that is, such work shall include the removal of all material encountered including earth or rock formations, regardless of the type or hardness thereof, or groundwater conditions in the excavation, the cost of such excavations being included in the Work Order Price. Unclassified excavation Work includes drilling or blasting operations.
- C. If site conditions are discovered that materially differ from previous information that the Contractor has received, and that could not have been discovered by the Contractor through prudent and reasonable investigation prior to developing the Work Order Price Proposal for the work, the Contractor shall be compensated for additional costs incurred in working with the unknown site conditions, but only to the extent that such previously unknown and undiscoverable site conditions cause the Contractor to incur costs in addition to the Work Order price for that portion of the work. The Contractor must be able to clearly demonstrate the original Work Order price for that portion of the work (plus any Supplemental Work Orders applicable to that portion of the work) and the additional costs incurred as a direct result of the unknown site conditions. Only additional costs over and above the amount of the Work Order price for that portion of the work will be compensated upon a recommendation of approval by the Project Manager.

## 2.28 REQUEST FOR EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENT

- A. If the Contractor considers a Request for Equitable Adjustment is justified for any increase in the Work Order Time, the Contractor shall promptly, upon first observance of the condition giving rise to the request, provide the Project Manager and Owner written notice of such condition and circumstance. This notice shall be given by the Contractor before proceeding to execute the Work, except in emergency endangering life or property, in which case the Contractor shall proceed in accordance with the Emergency provisions of these General Conditions. No such request shall be valid unless so made. A Supplemental Work Order shall be required to authorize any change in the Work Order Time resulting from such request for equitable adjustment.
- B. If the Contractor requests that additional cost or time is involved because of, but not limited to, (1) any written interpretation pursuant to Section 2.07.G, (2) any order by the Owner to stop the Work pursuant to Section 2.08 where the Contractor was not at fault, or any such order by the Project Manager as the Owner's agent, (3) any written order for a minor change in the Work issued pursuant to Section 2.29, the Contractor shall make such request for equitable adjustment as provided in Section 2.28.A.

## 2.29 MINOR CHANGES IN THE WORK

The Project Manager will have authority to order minor changes in the Work not involving an adjustment in the Work Order Price or extension of the Work Order Time and not inconsistent with the intent of the Contract Documents. Such changes shall be enacted

by written order issued through the Project Manager and shall be binding on the Owner and the Contractor. The Contractor shall carry out such written orders promptly.

## 2.30 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

The Owner and the Contractor, respectively, bind themselves, their partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party hereto and to the partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives of such other party with respect to all covenants, agreements and obligations contained in the Contract Documents. Neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract or sublet it as a whole without the written consent of the other.

## 2.31 ASSIGNMENT OF MONEYS

The Contractor shall not assign moneys due or to become due him/her under the contract without the written consent of the Auditor-Controller of Fresno County. Any assignment of moneys shall be subject to all proper set-offs in favor of the County of Fresno and to all deductions provided for in the contract and particularly all money withheld, whether assigned or not, shall be subject to being used by the County of Fresno for the completion of the work in the event that the Contractor should be in default therein.

## 2.32 GUARANTEE OF WORK

- A. The Contractor warrants to the Owner that all materials and equipment and the work as a whole furnished under this Contract will be new unless otherwise specified, and that all Work will be of good quality, free from faults and defects and in conformance with the Contract Documents, for one (1) year from the date of Notice of Completion of each Project, unless a longer period is otherwise specified. All manufacturer's warranties required by the Contract Documents shall commence on the date of the filing of the Notice of Completion for the Work (which date necessarily will follow the performance under separate contracts. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility, through appropriate contractual arrangements with all subcontractors, material manufacturers and suppliers, to ensure compliance with this requirement. All Work not conforming to these requirements, including substitutions not properly reviewed and authorized, may be considered defective. If required by the Project Manager, the Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment.
- B. If repairs or changes are required in connection with guaranteed work within any guaranteed period, which, in the opinion of the Project Manager is rendered necessary as the result of the use of materials, equipment or workmanship which are inferior, defective, or not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall, promptly upon receipt of notice from the Owner, and without expense to the Owner (1) place in satisfactory condition in every particular all of such guaranteed work, correct all defects therein, and (2) make good all damage to the building or site, or equipment or contents thereof, which, in the opinion of the Project Manager, is the result of the use of materials, equipment or workmanship which are inferior, defective, or not in accordance with the Contract

Documents; and (3) make good any work or materials, or the equipment and contents of said building or site disturbed in fulfilling any such guarantee.

- C. If the Contractor disturbs any work guaranteed under another contract in fulfilling the requirements of the contract or of any guarantee, embraced in or required thereby, he/she shall restore such disturbed work to a condition satisfactory to the Project Manager and guarantee such restored work to the same extent as it was guaranteed under such other contract.
- D. The Owner may have the defects corrected if the Contractor, after notice, fails to proceed promptly to comply with the terms of the guarantee and the Contractor and his/her surety shall be liable for all costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith.
- E. All special guarantees applicable to definite parts of the work that may be stipulated in the Contract Documents shall be subject to the terms of this Article 2.32 during the first (1<sup>st</sup>) year (365 Calendar Days) of the life of such special guarantee.

### 2.33 RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGE

- A. Neither the Owner, the Architect, nor any officer or employee of the County, or officer or employee thereof, within the limits of which the work is being performed, shall be answerable or accountable in any manner, for any loss or damage that may happen to the work or any part thereof; or for any of the materials or other things used or employed in performing the work; or for injury to any person or persons, either workmen or the public, for damage to property from any cause which might have been prevented by the Contractor, or his/her workmen, or anyone employed by him/her, against all of which injuries or damages to persons and property the Contractor having control over such work must properly guard.
- B. The Contractor shall be responsible for any liability imposed by law for any damage to any person or property resulting from defects or obstructions or from any cause whatsoever during the progress of the work or at any time before the issuance of the Notice of Completion.
- C. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, the Project Manager, the Architect, and all of their respective officers and employees, from all claims, lawsuits or actions of every kind and nature whatsoever, brought for, or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person or persons, resulting from any act or admission by the Contractor or his/her servants or agents, in the construction of the work or by or in consequence of any negligence in guarding the same, in improper materials used in its construction, or by or on account of any act or omission of the Contractor or his/her agents in the performance of Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents. In addition to any remedy authorized by law, so much of the money due the Contractor under and by virtue of the contract as shall be considered necessary by the Owner may be retained by the Owner until disposition has been made of such claims, lawsuits, or actions for damages as aforesaid.

## 2.34 WRITTEN NOTICE

Subject to any additional requirements that may be applicable to claims under the immediately following Article 2.35 RESOLUTION OF CONTRACT CLAIMS AND DISPUTES, formal service, when required, of written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person, to the individual or member of the firm or entity or to an officer of the corporation for whom it was intended, or if sent by registered or certified mail to the listed address of that entity for the attention of such individual.

## 2.35 RESOLUTION OF CONTRACT CLAIMS AND DISPUTES

- A. A Claim is a demand or assertion sent by registered mail or certified mail with return receipt requested by one (1) of the parties seeking, as a matter of right, adjustment or interpretation of Contract terms, payment of money, extension of time, or a request for equitable adjustment or Supplemental Work Order which cannot be resolved per provisions of Section 2.25 - CHANGES TO THE WORK. Any Claim shall be reduced to writing and filed with the Project Manager, within ten (10) calendar days after the Contractor has notice of the condition giving rise to the Claim, and final action per Section 2.25 - CHANGES TO THE WORK procedures has taken place or has been declared as such in writing, by either party. Such ten (10)-day notice of an asserted claim is in addition to the requirement for prompt notice required per Section 2.25 - CHANGES TO THE WORK.
- B. The Contractor shall not claim or recover any overhead cost administrative or otherwise, particularly 'Home Office' expenses, 'Extended site overhead', or any other overhead cost on the basis of any 'Home Office' damages formula, 'Eichleay' formula, 'Total Cost' recovery formula or any other such formula.
- C. REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING A CLAIM. Claims shall be submitted to the Project Manager. Claims must be filed within the time specified above, but in no event shall any claim be considered by the Project Manager that is filed later than the date of final payment of the Project. The claim shall be in writing and shall be a sum certain if known. If unknown, Contractor shall specify the basis for establishing the sum certain. Claim shall include a statement of the reasons for the asserted entitlement and include the documents necessary to substantiate the claim. Such documents may include but are not limited to payroll records, purchase orders, quotations, invoices, estimates, subcontracts, daily logs, supplier contracts, subcontract billings, bid takeoffs, equipment rental invoices, ledgers, journals, daily reports, job diaries, and any documentation related to the requirements of Section 2.25 - CHANGES TO THE WORK. In the case of a continuing delay, only one (1) claim is necessary. If adverse weather conditions are the basis for a claim for additional time, such claim shall be documented by data substantiating that weather conditions were abnormal for the period of time and could not have been reasonably anticipated, and that weather conditions had an adverse effect on the critical activities on the construction schedule. The Contractor shall certify, at the time of submission of a claim, as follows:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, being the \_\_\_\_\_ (MUST BE AN OFFICER) of \_\_\_\_\_ (GENERAL CONTRACTOR), declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, and do personally certify and attest that: I have thoroughly reviewed the attached claim for additional compensation and/or extension of time, and know its contents, and said claim is made in good faith; The supporting data is truthful and accurate; That the amount requested accurately reflects the contract adjustment for which the Contractor believes the Owner is liable; and, further, that I am familiar with California Penal Code Section 72 and California Government Code Section 12560, et seq, pertaining to false claims, and further know and understand that submission or certification of a false claim may lead to fines, imprisonment and/or other severe legal consequences.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Contractor's signature) (Date)

- D. Nothing in this Article is intended to extend the time limit or supersede notice requirements otherwise provided by this contract or by applicable law for the filing of claims. Any formal claim shall be processed in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 9204 and Section 20104 et. seq., each of which establishes a process for resolution of claims, the provisions of which are consistent with and effectively summarized by the following.
1. The Owner (or his/her designee), shall review the facts pertinent to the claim, obtain additional information deemed necessary for a decision (if any), review recommendations of the Project Manager, coordinate with the contract administrator (if any) and secure assistance from legal and other advisors, and render a written decision on the claim within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the claim. If additional information or documentation is thereafter required, it shall be requested and provided pursuant to this subdivision, upon mutual agreement of the Owner (or his/her designee) and claimant. The Owner's (or his/her designee's) written response to the claim, as supplemented by any additional information and/or documentation provided by claimant, shall be submitted to the claimant within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the further information and/or documentation or within a period of time no greater than that taken by the claimant in producing the additional information, whichever is greater.
  2. If the claimant disputes the written response of Owner (or his/her designee), or Owner fails to respond within the time prescribed, the claimant may so notify the Owner (or his/her designee), in writing, either within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the Owner (or his/her designee's) response or within fifteen (15) days of the Owner (or his/her designee's) failure to respond within the time prescribed, respectively, and demand an informal conference to meet and confer for settlement of the issues in dispute. Upon a demand, the Owner (or his/her designee) shall schedule a meet and confer conference within thirty (30) days for settlement of the dispute.

3. Within ten (10) business days following conclusion of the meet and confer conference, any unpaid portion of the claim remaining in dispute shall be submitted to nonbinding mediation, as that term is defined by Public Contract Code Section 9204(d)(2)(C).
4. If following the conclusion of the meet and confer conference and mediation process, the claim or any portion thereof remains in dispute, the claimant may file a claim pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 900) and Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 910) of Part 3 of Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code. For purposes of those provisions, the running of the period of time within which a claim must be filed shall be tolled from the time the claimant submits his/her written claim pursuant to subdivision (a) until the time the claim is denied, including any period of time utilized by the meet and confer conference and mediation process as described in the immediately preceding Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Section D.
5. In the event of any perceived conflict between the summary of the procedure set forth in this Article and the actual provisions of the Public Contract Code Section 9204 and Section 20104, et seq., the statutory provisions shall control; and in the event of any perceived conflict between the provisions of Section 9204 and Section 20104, et seq., the provisions of Section 9204 shall control.

E. Procedures for Civil Actions to Resolve Disputed Claims: Non-binding Mediation: Within sixty (60) days, but no earlier than thirty (30) days, following the filing of a responsive pleading, the court shall submit the matter to non-binding mediation unless waived by mutual stipulation by both parties. The mediation process shall provide for the selection within fifteen (15) days by both parties of a disinterested third person as mediator, shall be commenced within thirty (30) days of the submittal, and shall be concluded within fifteen (15) days from the commencement of the mediation unless a time requirement is extended upon a good cause shown to the court. If the parties fail to select a mediator within the fifteen (15)-day period, any party may petition the court to appoint the mediator.

Judicial Arbitration: If the matter remains in dispute, the case shall be submitted to judicial arbitration pursuant to Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 1141.10) of Title 3 of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure, notwithstanding Section 1141.11 of the code. The Civil Discovery Act of 1986 (Article 3 (commencing with Section 2016) of Chapter 3 of Title 3 of Part 4 of the Code of Civil Procedure) shall apply to any proceeding brought under this subsection consistent with the rules pertaining to judicial arbitration. Arbitrators shall be experienced in construction law.

Appeals: As provided by statute (specifically Public Contract Code Section 20104.4(b)(3) and Code of Civil Procedure Section 1141.21), any party appealing an arbitration award who does not obtain a more favorable judgment shall, in addition to payment of costs and fees, also pay the attorneys' fees on appeal of the other party.



- F. CLAIMS AND DISPUTES EXEMPT FROM FILING REQUIREMENTS. The requirements and procedures imposed by this Article do not apply to:
1. Any claims by the Owner; or
  2. Any claim for or respecting personal injury or death or reimbursement or other compensation arising out of or resulting from liability for personal injury or death; or
  3. Any claim or dispute relating to stop payment requests or stop notices; or
  4. Any claim or dispute related to the approval, refusal to approve, or substitution of Subcontractors, regardless of tier, and suppliers.
- G. PAYMENT OF UNDISPUTED PORTION OF CLAIM. Owner shall pay claimant such portion of a claim that is undisputed except as otherwise provided in the contract.
- H. CONTINUE WORK DURING DISPUTE. In the event of any disputed claim or other dispute between the Owner and the Contractor, the Contractor will not stop work but will prosecute the work diligently to completion in his/her manner directed by the Owner, and the dispute shall be resolved by a court of law after completion of the Work. However, Contractor must submit all disputes in accordance with the provisions of this Section 2.35.
- I. SUIT IN FRESNO COUNTY ONLY. Any litigation arising out of this Contract shall be brought in Fresno County and Contractor hereby waives the removal provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure Section 394.

2.36 PERFORMANCE BOND, LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND AND WARRANTY BOND

- A. The Contractor shall furnish a Performance Bond in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), and a Payment Bond in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) and One Year Warranty Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Final Contract Sum, which is the cumulative amount that will have been paid to Contractor for all of the Work performed under the Contract once the Project has been completed and the Work has been accepted by the County. If the aggregate outstanding Job Orders issued under the contract exceeds one million dollars (\$1,000,000), increases in the Payment and Performance Bonds in increments of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) will be required such that the amount of the Payment and Performance Bonds are not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) of the outstanding aggregate Job Orders issued. Bonds shall remain in force for the duration and until completion of any outstanding Job Order. At no time may the sum of outstanding Job Orders exceed the amount of the Payment and Performance Bonds.
- B. All bonds required, whether Bid bonds, Performance, Payment, Warranty, or other bonds, shall be issued by an admitted surety insurer authorized by the California Insurance Commissioner to transact surety insurance in the state. The same

admitted surety insurer must issue the Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and Warranty Bond. The payment, performance and warranty bonds required by these specifications will neither be accepted nor approved by the Owner unless the bonds are underwritten by an admitted surety and the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure section 995.630 are met. The bonds must include a physical mailing address, phone number, FAX number, and contract person for the admitted surety insurer. The Owner further reserves the right to satisfy itself as to the acceptability of the surety and the form of bond. Upon request of the Owner, the bidder must submit the following documents:

1. The original, or a certified copy, of the unrevoked appointment, power of attorney, bylaws, or other instrument authorizing the person who executed the bond to do so.
2. A certified copy of the certificate of authority of the insurer issued by the California Insurance Commissioner.
3. A certificate from the county clerk that the certificate of authority has not been surrendered, revoked, canceled, annulled, or suspended, or in the event that it has, that renewed authority has been granted.
4. A financial statement of the assets and liabilities of the insurer to the end of the quarter calendar year prior to thirty (30) days next preceding the date of the execution of the bond, in the form of an officers' certificate as defined in Corporations Code Section 173.

## 2.37 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

- A. The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to, and not a limitation of, any duties, obligations, rights, and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.
- B. No action or failure to act by the Owner, or by the Project Manager or Architect, regarding any deficiency, breach or default in performance by the Contractor under the Contract Documents, shall be deemed or construed to constitute acquiescence of the Owner in connection therewith or with regard to any subsequent deficiency, breach or default in performance by the Contractor; nor shall any such prior act of failure to act by or on behalf of Owner be deemed or construed as a waiver of any rights in favor of Owner regarding any such deficiency, breach or default in performance by the Contractor, regardless of the similarity to the prior incident or circumstance when no action was taken regarding any alleged deficiency, breach or default in performance by the Contractor.

## 2.38 TIME, DELAYS AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

### A. DEFINITIONS

1. Unless otherwise provided, the Work Order Completion Time is the period of time allotted in the Contract Documents for completion of the Work of an individual work Order, including authorized adjustments thereto.
2. The Date of Commencement of the Work is the date established in the Notice to Proceed.
3. The Date of Completion of the Work is the date of which the work is certified as complete by the Project Manager as specified in the Notice of Completion.
4. The term "day" as used in the Contract Documents shall mean calendar day unless specifically designated otherwise.

### B. PROGRESS AND COMPLETION

1. Time is of the essence regarding all time limits stated in the Work Order Notice to Proceed. By executing the Work Order, the Contractor confirms that the Work Order Completion Time is a reasonable period for performing the Work of the individual Work Order.
2. The Contractor shall begin the Work on the Date of Commencement. The Contractor shall not knowingly, except by agreement or instruction of the Owner in writing, prematurely commence operations on the site or elsewhere prior to the effective date of insurance required herein to be furnished by the Contractor. The Date of Commencement of the Work shall not be changed by the effective date of such insurance.
3. The Contractor shall carry the Work forward expeditiously with adequate forces and shall achieve Completion of the Work within the Work Order Completion Time.

### C. DELAYS AND EXTENSIONS OF TIME

1. Delays in prosecution of parts or classes of the Work that are not demonstrated to prevent or delay completion of an entire Project or specific milestones within the Work Order Completion Time are not "unavoidable delays" for purposes of this section.
2. In all cases, the time authorized for extension of the Work Order Completion Time shall be no greater than the number of days directly attributable to the event or circumstances which causes unavoidable delay in the completion of a Project. Contractor shall be entitled, in the case of unavoidable delays, to an extension in the Work Order Completion Time, but not to any increase to the Work Order Price. "Unavoidable delay" for this purpose shall be defined as follows:

- a. Unavailable Materials. That materials or articles called for in the Contract Documents are not obtainable within the time required for timely completion; provided that such materials or articles were listed by the Contractor in the schedule required by Section 2.17 - CONTRACTOR'S CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE; that the Contractor demonstrates that the unavailability of the materials is in fact the cause for the delay, and could not have been avoided by an appropriate adjustment in the Construction Schedule; and that the unavailability of such materials is due to circumstances beyond the Contractor's control. If good cause for delay is demonstrated pursuant to this subsection, the Owner, at its sole discretion, may grant a time extension.
  - b. Force Majeure. That delays in construction have resulted from circumstances beyond the control of the Contractor and which the Contractor could not have provided against by the exercise of reasonable care, prudence, foresight, and diligence. Unavoidable delays within the meaning of this subparagraph shall be those caused by acts of God, war, insurrection, civil disorder, fire, floods, epidemic, or strikes.
  - c. Unseasonable Weather. An extension of Work Order Completion Time may be granted due to weather, which is unsuitable for the Work currently in progress, upon the determination of the Owner that the weather conditions in fact caused the delay in completion of a Project and that such weather conditions were not, and could not in the exercise of reasonable diligence, have been foreseen by the Contractor. Seasonable weather that, in the exercise of reasonable foresight and diligence, should be expected in the area at the time of year in question is not cause for an extension of time.
  - d. Time Extensions Due to Supplemental Work Orders or Work Authorizations. A time extension may be granted due to additional work that results in a delay in a Project caused by the approval by the Owner of a Supplemental Work Order or Work Authorization. The Contractor shall be entitled to a Work Order Completion Time extension Supplemental Work Order only when the extra Work is demonstrated by the Contractor to have caused a delay in a Project.
  - e. Owner Caused Delays. In the event that a Project is delayed by acts of the Owner not authorized by the Contract Documents which the Contractor demonstrates will or have caused an unavoidable delay, the Contractor shall be entitled to a Work Order Completion Time Supplemental Work Order to offset the extra time incurred by the Contractor. The Contractor will not be entitled to adjustments in the Work Order Price. Extra time shall be limited to that which is directly identified as critical by the delay.
3. The Contractor specifically agrees that a time extension as provided herein is its sole remedy for Owner-caused delays and agrees to make no

claim or demand for additional damages, nor claim an acceleration of the time for performance.

4. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any Work Order Completion Time extension nor Work Order Price adjustment for alleged Owner delays if the Owner has acted within the time limits specified by the Contract Documents.

D. NOTICE OF DELAYS

1. Contractor shall notify the Project Manager promptly whenever the Contractor foresees any event or circumstance that may delay the prosecution of the Work and in Contractor's opinion may provide grounds for an extension and shall in any event notify the Project Manager immediately upon the occurrence of any such delay. The Contractor shall take immediate steps to prevent, if possible, the occurrence or continuance of the delay. If this cannot be done, the Project Manager shall determine how long the delay shall continue and to what extent the prosecution and completion of the Work are being delayed thereby. Such notification shall specify with detail the cause asserted by the Contractor to constitute grounds for an extension. Failure of the Contractor to submit such a notice within ten (10) days after the initial occurrence of the event-giving rise to the delay shall constitute a waiver by the Contractor of any request for a time extension, and no extension shall be granted as a consequence of such delay.
2. If the Contractor believes that the delay in prosecution in the Work will result in an unavoidable delay in completion of the entire Project, the Contractor shall submit evidence to support that belief, together with its request for a time extension. Such evidence shall include a demonstration that the delayed portion of the Work will affect the Critical Path Scheduling of the entire Project. The Contractor shall also submit a proposed revised Construction Schedule, which accounts for the delay in completion of the entire Project caused by the delay in prosecution of part of the Project and includes a revised Critical Path demonstrating how the Project will be completed within the proposed revised Work Order Completion Time.

E. INVESTIGATION; PROCEDURE

1. Upon receipt of a request for Time extension, the Project Manager shall conduct an investigation of the facts asserted by the Contractor to constitute grounds for an extension. The results of this investigation shall be reported by the Project Manager to the Contractor and shall indicate whether he/she will recommend for or against such extension to the Owner. The performance of this investigation by the Project Manager shall not be construed as direction or recommendation to the Contractor regarding scheduling of the work. Scheduling this work is the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

2. The Project Manager may, in his/her sole discretion, defer this recommendation to allow the accumulation of time extensions due to Work Authorizations into a periodic or final Supplemental Work Order request.
3. Upon receiving the Project Manager's recommendation to the Owner regarding the Contractor's request for a time extension, the Contractor may either withdraw its application for extension or request that it be scheduled for action by the Owner. If the Owner disallows the request, there shall be no allowance made for the time during which the request was pending, and the Contractor shall remain obligated to complete the Work in the time specified.
4. If the Owner approves the time extension Supplemental Work Order, the new Construction Schedule submitted by the Contractor and approved by the Owner shall be deemed to amend the original Construction Schedule approved by the Owner; thereafter, the amended Construction Schedule shall have the same force and effect as the originally approved Progress Schedule.
5. The revised Construction Schedule must be submitted within seven (7) calendar days of the date in which the Owner approves the change.
6. The Contractor agrees that the Owner's determination as to the existence of grounds for an extension and, the duration of any such extension, shall be final and binding upon both Owner and Contractor.

F. DISCRETIONARY TIME EXTENSION FOR BEST INTEREST OF OWNER

1. The Owner reserves the right to extend the Work Order Completion Time for completion of the Work if the Director of Public Works and Planning or designee determines that such extension is in the best interest of the Owner.
2. In the event that such discretionary extension is made at the request of the Contractor, the Owner shall have the right to charge to the Contractor all or any part, as the Board may deem proper, of the actual cost to the Owner for engineering, inspection, supervision, contract administration, incidental and other overhead expenses that accrue during period of such extension, and to deduct all or any portion of such amounts from the final payment for the Work Order.
3. In the event such extension is ordered over the objection of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be entitled to a Supplemental Work Order adjusting the price paid to reflect the actual costs incurred by the Contractor as a direct and proximate result of the delay, upon his/her written application therefor, accompanied by such verification of costs as the Project Manager requires. Only additional direct costs incurred at the site will be reimbursable by Supplemental Work Order.

G. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

1. If the Work is not completed by Contractor in the time specified in the Work Order or within any period of extension authorized pursuant to this Article, the Contractor acknowledges and admits that the Owner will suffer damage, and that it is impracticable and infeasible to fix the amount of actual damages. Therefore, it is agreed by and between the Contractor and the Owner that the Contractor shall pay to the Owner as fixed and liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, the sum specified in Section 005213, Agreement, Article III for each calendar day of delay until the Work is completed and accepted, and that both the Contractor and the Contractor's surety shall be liable for the total amount thereof, and that the Owner may deduct said sums from any monies due or that may become due to the Contractor.
2. This Liquidated Damages provision shall apply to all delays of any nature whatsoever, save and except only unavoidable delays approved by the Owner pursuant to the provisions of Article 2.38.C.2 hereinabove, or discretionary time extensions approved by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to the provisions of Article 2.38.F hereinabove.

H. EXTENSION OF TIME NOT A WAIVER

1. Any extension of a Work Order Completion Time granted pursuant to this Article shall not constitute a waiver by the Owner, nor a release of the Contractor, from his/her obligations to perform a Work Order within the allotted Work Order Completion Time.
2. Granting of a time extension due to one (1) circumstance on one (1) request therefore shall not constitute a granting by the Owner of an extension of time for any other circumstance or the same circumstance occurring at some other time and shall not be interpreted as a precedent for any other request for extension.

2.39 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

A. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND PROGRAMS

The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.

B. SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of, and shall provide all reasonable protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:

1. All employees on the Work and all other persons who may be affected thereby;

2. All the work and all materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage or off the site, and that is under the care, custody, or control of the Contractor or any of the Contractor's Subcontractors or Sub-subcontractors;
  3. Other property at the site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, and utilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction; and
  4. The work of the Owner or other separate contractors.
- C. The Contractor shall give all notices and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and lawful orders of any public authority bearing on the safety of persons or property or their protection from damage, injury, or loss.
- D. The Contractor shall erect and maintain, as required by existing conditions and the progress of the Work, all reasonable safeguards for safety and protection, including posting danger signs and other warnings against hazards, promulgating safety regulations, and notifying owners and users of adjacent facilities.
- E. When the use or storage of explosives or other hazardous materials or equipment is necessary for the execution of the Work, the Contractor shall exercise the utmost care and shall carry on such activities under the supervision of properly qualified personnel.
- F. The Contractor shall promptly remedy all damage or loss to any property referred to above caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Sub-subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or any one for whose acts any of them may be liable, and for which the Contractor is responsible under the above noted clauses, except damage or loss attributable solely to the acts or omissions of the Owner, the Project Manager, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, and not attributable in any degree to the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The foregoing obligations of the Contractor are in addition to the Contractor's obligations under the Indemnification provisions provided herein.
- G. The Contractor shall designate a responsible member of the Contractor's organization at the site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. This person shall be the Contractor's superintendent unless otherwise designated by the Contractor in writing to the Owner and the Project Manager.
- H. The Contractor shall not load or permit any part of the Work to be loaded in a manner that could endanger its safety or pose a risk to anyone working at the Project site.
- I. EMERGENCIES

In any emergency affecting the safety of persons or property the Contractor shall act, at the Contractor's discretion, to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss.



Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of emergency work shall be determined as provided in the provisions herein for Changes in the Work.

## 2.40 INSURANCE

### A. CONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE

1. Bidders' attention is directed to the insurance requirements below. It is highly recommended that Bidders confer with their respective insurance carriers or brokers to determine in advance of bid submission the availability of the insurance certificates and endorsements required below. A bidder who is awarded a contract and thereafter fails to comply strictly with the insurance requirements, will be deemed to be in default of its obligations.
2. Contractor shall procure, and maintain for the duration of the Contract, and for 3 years thereafter, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, his/her agents, representatives, employees, or Subcontractors. The cost of such insurance shall be included in the Contractor's bid.
3. No later than ten (10) calendar days following the Award of the Contract, and prior to execution of the Agreement for Construction by the Owner, the Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance, signed by an authorized agent of the insurer, attesting to insurance coverage of the Contractor as required by this Article.

### B. MINIMUM SCOPE OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage ("occurrence" form CG0001).
2. Insurance Services Office Business Auto Coverage form number CA 0001 0187 covering Automobile Liability, code 1 "any auto".
3. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of California and Employers Liability insurance.

### C. MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Contractor shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability: One million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply

separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be three times the required occurrence limit.

2. Automobile Liability: One million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Workers' compensation limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of California and Employers Liability limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per accident.

D. DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Owner. If approved at the option of the Owner, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Owner, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expense.

E. OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS

The policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. Fire Insurance / Builders Risk Insurance.
  - a. At the Owner's option, the Contractor shall secure "All Risk" type Builder's Risk Insurance for the Work to be performed pursuant to this Agreement for an individual Work Order. The policy shall cover not less than losses due to fire, explosion, vehicle damage, theft, flood, earthquake, and civil commotion with no coinsurance penalty provision.
  - b. The Contractor shall obtain and keep in force insurance against loss or damage by fire and the customary extended perils including windstorm, hail, explosion, aircraft, vehicle, smoke, riot, and civil commotion, vandalism, sprinkler leakage (including earthquake) as covered under the standard forms of California Standard Fire Insurance Policy for school projects or Factory Insurance Association and/or Factory Mutual Insurance Company for projects other than schools. The policy shall cover the entire structure on which the work of this contract is to be done, up to the full insurable value thereof, including items of labor and materials connected therewith on the site, materials in place or to be used as part of the permanent construction including materials stored and partially paid for by the Owner as provided in Division 01 – General Requirements, surplus materials, shanties, protective fences, bridges, or temporary structures, miscellaneous materials and supplies incident to the work, and such scaffolding, staging, towers, forms and equipment as are not owned or rented by the Contractor, the cost of which is included in the cost of the work.

EXCLUDED: This insurance does not cover any tools owned by mechanics, any tools, equipment, scaffolding, staging, towers, and forms owned or rented by the Contractor, the capital value of which is not included in the cost of the Work, or any structures erected for the Contractor's administration of the Project. The loss, if any, is to be adjustable with and payable to the Owner as trustee for the insured as their interests may appear, except in such cases as may require payment of all or a proportion of said insurance to be made to a mortgagee or trustee as its interest may appear.

- c. The Owner shall be named as insured jointly with the Contractor and other proper parties, all as their respective interests may appear. All subcontractors shall be insured to the extent of their portion of the work under the Contractor. The Owner, Contractor and all subcontractors waive all rights, each against the others, for damages caused by fire or other perils covered provided under the terms of this article, except such rights as they may have to the proceeds of the insurance held by the party obtaining and maintaining the insurance policy in force who acts as trustee of said policy. Certificates of such insurance shall be filed with the Owner. If the Contractor fails to effect or maintain insurance as above and so notifies the Owner, the Owner may insure his own interest and charge the cost thereof to the Contractor.
- d. In the event of a partial or total destruction by the perils insured against, of any or all of the work and/or materials herein provided for, at any time prior to the final completion of the Contract and the final acceptance by the Owner of the Work or materials to be performed or supplied thereunder, the Contractor shall promptly reconstruct, repair, replace, or restore all work or materials so destroyed or injured at his sole cost and expense. Nothing herein provided for shall in any way excuse the Contractor or his surety from the obligation of furnishing all the required materials and completing the work in full compliance with the terms of the Contract.

2. Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverages.

- a. The Contractor shall secure Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and an annual aggregate of three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00). This policy shall be issued on a per occurrence basis. The Owner may require specific coverage including completed operations, product liability, contractual liability, XCU, fire legal liability or any other liability insurance deemed necessary because of the nature of the contract. The Owner, its officers, officials, employees, agents, including Consulting Engineers while performing contract administration services, and volunteers are to be covered as insured as respects all of the following: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor, including the insured's general

supervision of the Contractor; products and completed operations of the Contractor; premises owned, occupied or used by the Contractor; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the Owner, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers.

- b. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the owner, its officers, officials, employees, agents, Consulting Engineers, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Owner, its officers, officials, Employees, agents, Consulting Engineers, or volunteers shall be in excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- c. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect Coverage provided to the Owner, its officers, officials, employees, agents, Engineers, Consulting Engineers, or volunteers.
- d. The Contractor's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.
- e. Such Commercial General Liability insurance shall name the County of Fresno, its officers, agents, and employees, individually and collectively, as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. Such coverage for additional insured shall apply as primary insurance and any other insurance, or self-insurance, maintained by Owner, its officers, agents, and employees shall be excess only and not contributing with insurance provided under Contractor's policies herein. This insurance shall not be cancelled or changed without a minimum of thirty (30) days advance written notice given to Owner. Contractor shall obtain endorsements to the Commercial General Liability insurance policy naming Owner as an additional insured and providing for a thirty (30) day prior written notice of cancellation or change in terms or coverage.
- f. Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury and property damage. Coverage should include owned and non-owned vehicles used in connection with this Agreement and all applicable endorsements.

### 3. Professional Liability Coverage.

If Contractor employs licensed professional staff, (e.g., Ph.D., R.N., L.C.S.W., M.F.C.C.) in providing services, the Contractor shall secure Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence, and three million dollars

(\$3,000,000.00) annual aggregate, with a provision for three (3) year tail coverage.

4. Worker's Compensation and Employers Liability Coverage.

The Contractor shall obtain a policy of Worker's Compensation insurance in accordance with applicable provisions of the California Labor Code. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the Owner, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers for losses arising from work performed by the Contractor for the Owner. Contractor shall supply the Owner with certificates of insurance in triplicate, evidencing that Workers Compensation Insurance is in effect and providing that the Owner will receive thirty (30) days' notice of cancellation. If Contractor self-insures Workers Compensation, Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure shall be provided to the Owner.

5. All Coverages.

Prior to the commencement of performing its obligations under this Agreement, Contractor shall provide certificates of insurance and upon request from Owner, formal endorsements for the foregoing policies, as required herein, to the Owner, listing the name and address of the official who will administer this contract, and stating that such insurance coverage have been obtained and are in full force; that the County of Fresno, its officers, agents and employees will not be responsible for any premiums on the policies; that such Commercial General Liability insurance names the County of Fresno, its officers, agents and employees, individually and collectively, as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned; that such coverage for additional insured shall apply as primary insurance and any other insurance, or self-insurance, maintained by Owner, its officers, agents and employees, shall be excess only and not contributing with insurance provided under Contractor's policies herein; and each insurance policy required by this Section 2.40 shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to the Owner.

F. ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS

Contractor shall obtain the policies and coverages specified herein from an admitted insurer in good standing with and authorized to transact business in this state by the California Department of Insurance and having a **Best's rating of no less than A FSC VIII**.

G. VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE

Contractor shall furnish the Owner with certificates of effecting coverage required by this clause. The certificates for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All certificates are to be received and approved by the owner before work commences. The

Owner reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time. In the event Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, the Owner may, in addition to other remedies it may have, suspend, or terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event. The Certificate of Insurance shall be issued in triplicate, and provided to the Owner within ten (10) days of award, and also shall be provided to all other participating agencies who contribute to the cost of the work or have jurisdiction over areas in which the work is to be performed and all officers and employees of said agencies while acting within the course and scope of their duties and responsibilities.

H. SUBCONTRACTORS

Contractor shall include all Subcontractors as insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each Subcontractor. All coverages for Subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

2.41 UNCOVERING WORK

- A. This Section shall apply to any Work installed and covered up by the Contractor that is required by the Building Code or other statutory or regulatory requirement to undergo inspection or special inspection and/or testing approval by an appropriate official representing the Owner or other public authority having jurisdiction to conduct such inspection and/or testing or by any requirements specifically expressed in the Contract Documents. Work covered up by the Contractor, Contractor's Subcontractor's, or Suppliers prior to inspection/special inspection and/or testing approval shall be uncovered and repaired or replaced after inspection approval at the sole expense of the Contractor. This shall apply to all labor and material needed to complete both physical and cosmetic repairs, and any additional inspection costs associated with restoring the Work.
- B. This Section also shall apply to any Work installed and covered up by the Contractor, Contractor's Subcontractor's or Suppliers that is determined by the Owner or its Project Manager, during construction or within the Warranty period, to be defective, broken, or inoperative. Work covered up by the Contractor, Contractor's Subcontractor's or Suppliers that is found to be defective, broken, or inoperative shall be uncovered and repaired or replaced at the sole expense of the Contractor. This shall apply to all labor and material needed to complete both physical and cosmetic repairs, and any additional inspection costs associated with restoring the Work.

2.42 CORRECTION OF WORK

- A. The Contractor shall promptly correct all Work rejected by the Project Manager as defective or as failing to conform to the Contract Documents, whether or not fabricated, installed, or completed. The Contractor shall submit a plan of action, within twenty-four (24) hours of notification of the rejected work by the Project Manager, for correcting the rejected work. The Contractor shall bear all costs of

correcting such rejected Work, including compensation for the Engineer's and Architect's additional services made necessary thereby.

- B. If, within one (1) year after the date of acceptance of the Work as specified in the Notice of Completion, or designated portion thereof, or within one (1) year after acceptance by the Owner of designated equipment, or within such longer period of time as may be prescribed by the terms of any applicable special warranty required by the Contract Documents, any of the Work is found by Owner to be defective or not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of a written notice from the Owner to do so, unless the Owner has previously given the Contractor a written acceptance of such condition. This obligation shall survive both final payment for the Work or designated portion thereof and termination of the Contract. The Owner shall give such notice promptly after discovery of the condition.
- C. The Contractor shall, at his/her sole expense, remove from the site all portions of the Work that are defective or nonconforming and which have not been corrected under Articles 2.32, 2.42.A, and 2.42.B, unless the Owner waives removal.
- D. If the Contractor fails to submit a plan of action, within twenty-four (24) hours of notification of the rejected work by the Project Manager, for correcting the rejected work, or fails to correct defective or nonconforming Work as provided herein in Articles 2.32, 2.42.A, and 2.42.B, the Owner may correct it in accordance with Article 2.08.C.
- E. If the Contractor does not take action under the plan to initiate such correction of such defective or nonconforming Work within ten (10) days of written notice from the Project Manager, the Owner may remove it and may store the materials or equipment at the expense of the Contractor. If the Contractor does not pay the cost of such removal and storage within ten (10) days thereafter, the Owner may, upon ten (10) additional days' written notice, sell such Work at auction or at private sale and shall account for the proceeds thereof, after deducting all the costs that should have been borne by the Contractor, including compensation for the Project Manager, Architect, or other Professional's additional services made necessary thereby. If such proceeds of sale do not cover all costs that the Contractor should have borne, the difference shall be charged to the Contractor and an appropriate Supplemental Work Order shall be issued. If the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are not sufficient to cover such amount, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner.
- F. The Contractor shall bear the cost of making good all work of the Owner or separate contractors destroyed or damaged by such correction or removal.
- G. Nothing contained in this Section 2.42 shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to any other obligation which the Contractor might have under the Contract Documents, including Section 2.32 hereof. The establishment of the time periods noted in this Section 2.42, or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by law or by the terms of any warranty required by the Contract Documents, relates only to the specific obligation of the Contractor to correct the defective or nonconforming Work, and has no relationship to the time within which the Contractor's obligation to comply with the Contract Documents may be sought

to be enforced, nor to the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish the Contractor's liability with respect to the Contractor's obligations other than specifically to correct the defective or nonconforming Work.

#### 2.43 ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE OR NONCONFORMING WORK

If the Owner prefers to accept defective or nonconforming Work, the Owner may do so instead of requiring its removal and correction, in which case a Supplemental Work Order will be issued to reflect a reduction in the Work Order Price where appropriate and equitable. Such adjustment shall be affected whether or not final payment has been made. Project Manager shall determine the amount of reduction in the Work Order Price.

#### 2.44 TERMINATION BY THE OWNER

- A. If the Contractor is adjudged bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or if a receiver is appointed on account of the Contractor's insolvency, or stop notices are served upon the Owner, or if the Contractor persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workers or proper materials, or fails to make prompt payment to Subcontractors or for materials or labor, or persistently disregards applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction, or otherwise is guilty of a substantial violation of a provision of the Contract Documents, and fails after written notice to commence and continue correction of such default, neglect or violation with diligence and promptness, the Owner upon certification by the Project Manager that sufficient cause exists to justify such action, may, after an additional written notice and without prejudice to any other remedy the Owner may have, terminate the Contract and take possession of all materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by the Contractor and may finish the Work by whatever methods the Owner may deem expedient. In such case the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is finished.
- B. If the unpaid balance of the Work Order Price exceeds the costs of finishing the Work, including compensation for the Project Manager's and Architect's additional services made necessary thereby, Contractor will only be paid for his/her actual unpaid costs from such excess. If such costs exceed the unpaid balance, the contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. The amount to be paid to the Contractor or to the Owner, as the case may be, shall be certified by the Project Manager, upon application, in the manner provided in Section 2.24 and this obligation for payment shall survive the termination of the Contract.

#### 2.45 SUBSTITUTION OF MATERIALS

- A. When a specific manufacturer, trade name or material is specified, or indicated, it is to establish a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition. The intent of the Contract Documents is to specify high-grade standard material and equipment, and it is not the intent of these Contract



Documents to exclude or omit the products of any responsible manufacturer, if such products are equally acceptable in terms of quality, finish, performance, durability, and serviceability, in the judgment of the Owner and the Architect, to those specified herein. Wherever an article, or any class of materials, is specified by the trade name or by the name of any particular patentee, manufacturer or dealer, it shall be taken as intending to mean and specify the article of material described or any other equal thereto in quality, finish, performance, durability, and serviceability, in the judgment of the Owner and the Architect, for the purpose for which it is or they are intended.

- B. If the Contractor desires to use material or equipment other than that specified, he/she shall submit a request for approval of such substitution, in writing, to the Project Manager by no later than ten (10) days prior to bid opening. Substitution requests will not be considered if received after the time stipulated.
- C. The Owner does not guarantee that alternative articles, components, materials, or equipment other than the item specified by trade name or other specific identification, will fit within the design parameters of the project without alteration of the project design by the Contractor.
- D. The Owner has the right to reject any proposed alternative material which requires alteration of the project design which impacts the safety of the public or the user of a completed facility. If the proposed alternative material requires alteration of the design of the Project or any aspect thereof and said alterations are acceptable to the Owner, the Contractor shall be responsible for performing said alterations at no additional cost to the Owner.
- E. Submittals for approval of substitute materials shall contain sufficient detailed information, descriptive brochures, drawings, samples, or other data as is necessary to provide a detailed side-by-side comparison to the specified materials. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to submit complete descriptive and technical information so the Project Manager can make proper appraisal. Lack of either proper or sufficient information shall constitute cause for rejection. Reference to product data will not be acceptable.
- F. It is the Contractor's responsibility to confirm and correlate all quantities and dimensions and coordinate with all trades whose work may be affected by the requested substitution.

## 2.46 REFERENCE TO STANDARDS

- A. Reference to known standards shall mean and intend the latest edition or amendment published prior to date of these Specifications, unless specifically indicated otherwise, and to such portions of it that relate and apply directly to the material or installation called for on the Project.
- B. Where material is specified solely by reference to standard specifications, the Contractor shall, if requested by the Project Manager, submit to the Project Manager for his/her approval, data on all such material proposed to be incorporated into the Work of the Contractor, listing the name and address of the

vendor, the manufacturer or producer, and the trade or brand names of such materials.

## 2.47 SPECIFICATIONS

- A. The Specifications are organized into Divisions, Sections, and Trade headings based on the Construction Specifications Institute's Master format and the Master format numbering system. This organization shall not control the Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or in establishing the extent of the Work to be performed by any trade. The Contractor shall be responsible for examining all Sections of the Specifications for inter-related items of the Work, and for furnishing each item identified or specified.
- B. No responsibility will be assumed by the Owner, Architect or the Project Manager for omissions or duplications by the Contractor in the completion of the Contract due to any alleged discrepancy in the arrangement of the material in these Specifications, nor shall any such segregation of work and materials operate to make the Project Manager an arbiter in defining the limits to the agreements between the Contractor and his/her Subcontractors or suppliers.
- C. The misplacement, addition or omission of any letter, word or punctuation mark shall in no way damage the true spirit, intent or meaning of these Specifications.
- D. The words "shown", "indicated", "noted", "scheduled" or words of that effect shall be understood to mean that reference is made to Drawings accompanying these Specifications.
- E. Where reference herein is made to colors or finishes "as selected", the reference is to the Architect with concurrence by the Owner.

## 2.48 APPROVED APPLICATORS

- A. Where specific instructions in these Specifications require that a particular product and/or materials be installed and/or applied by an "approved applicator" of the manufacturer, it shall be the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any Subcontractors used for such work be approved applicators.
- B. Contractor accordingly shall bear any and all costs and shall reimburse Owner for any such costs incurred by Owner, resulting from Contractor's failure to insure the use of an "approved applicator."

## 2.49 DELIVERY AND STORAGE OF MATERIALS

- A. Deliver all manufactured materials in the original packages, containers, or bundles (with the seals intact), bearing the name or identification mark of all manufacturers.

- B. Deliver fabrications in as large assemblies as practicable and where specified to be shop-primed or shop-finished; they shall be packaged or crated as required to preserve such priming or finish intact and free from abrasion.
- C. Store all materials in such manner as necessary to properly protect same from damage, as materials or equipment damaged by handling, weather, dirt or from any other cause will not be acceptable.
- D. Store materials so as to cause no obstructions (i.e., stored off all sidewalks and other walkways, roadways, and underground services). The Contractor shall be responsible for protecting from damage all material and equipment furnished under the Contract.

## 2.50 QUALITY OF WORK

- A. Where not more specifically described in any of the various Sections of these Specifications, the quality of work shall conform to all of the methods and operations of best standards and accepted practices of the trade or trades involved, and shall include all items of fabrication, construction, or installation regularly furnished or required for completion of the work (including any finish), and for successful operation as intended of the project and the component thereof corresponding to that work.
- B. All Work shall be executed by mechanics skilled in their respective lines of work.
- C. When completed, all parts shall have been durably and substantially built and shall present a neat, finished appearance.

## 2.51 HOURS OF WORK

- A. Eight (8) hours of labor shall constitute a legal day's work upon all work done hereunder, and it is expressly stipulated that no worker employed at any time by the Contractor, or by a Subcontractor under this Contract, upon the Work, shall be required or permitted to work thereon more than eight (8) hours in any one (1) calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one (1) calendar week, except as provided in Sections 1810-1815 inclusive, of the Labor Code of the State of California, all the provisions of which are deemed to be incorporated herein as if set forth in full; and it is further expressly stipulated that for each and every violation of said last named stipulation, said Contractor shall forfeit, as a penalty to the Owner, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each worker employed by the Contractor in the execution of this Contract, for each calendar day during which said worker is required or permitted to labor more than eight (8) hours in any one (1) calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one (1) calendar week in violation of any of said provisions of the Labor Code.
- B. Notwithstanding the above stipulations, pursuant to Section 1815 of the Labor Code, work performed by employees of contractors in excess of eight (8) hours per day and forty (40) hours during any one (1) week shall be permitted on the

Project upon compensation for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day at not less than one and a half (1 1/2) times the basic rate of pay.

## 2.52 WAGE RATES

- A. All projects under this Contract shall be subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), including the obligation to submit certified payroll records directly to the DIR Compliance Monitoring Unit (CMU) at least monthly using the CMU's eCPR system. Detailed information may be obtained on the State of California's Department of Industrial Relations website, [www.dir.ca.gov/dlse/cmu/CMU](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlse/cmu/CMU).

The Contractor shall also submit certified payroll records of the Contractor, Subcontractors, and all Sub-subcontractors of any tier to the Project Manager at least monthly.

- B. Contractor shall, and shall cause each of its Subcontractors (as defined in Labor Code Section 1722.1) to provide written proof that they are currently registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations at the time of bid submittal, and have paid the applicable annual fee and are thereby qualified to submit a bid and to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, prior to award of this Contract or any subcontract hereunder. No bid shall be accepted, nor shall this Contract or any subcontract hereunder, be entered into without such proof.
- C. Pursuant to Section 1770-1780 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rates of wages and rates for legal holidays and overtime in the locality in which this work is to be performed, which under Labor Code Section 1773.1 are deemed to include employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, travel time and subsistence pay, and apprenticeship or other authorized training programs, for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to perform this contract. Said wage rates are available only at the Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning, Design Division, and will be made available to any interested person upon request. Minimum wage rates for this Project, as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor, are set forth in the Special Provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the Prevailing Wage Rates predetermined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and his subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate.
- D. It shall be mandatory upon the Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded, and upon any Subcontractor under him/her to pay not less than the said specified rates to all laborers, workers, and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the Contract, and to pay all laborers, workers, and mechanics not less often than once weekly. The Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded shall post a copy of the determination of prevailing wages at the job site. The Contractor shall require all Subcontractors to comply with Sections 1770-1780 of the Labor Code of the State of California and shall insert into every subcontract the requirements contained therein.

- E. The Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Section 1775. In accordance with said Section 1775, it is hereby further agreed that the Contractor shall forfeit to the Owner, as a penalty, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each laborer, worker, or mechanic employed for each calendar day or portion thereof, who is paid less than the said stipulated rates for any work done under the Contract, by him/her or by any Subcontractor under him/her. The difference between said stipulated rates and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each worker was paid less than said stipulated rate shall be paid to each worker by the Contractor. The Contractor, and each Subcontractor, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker or other employee employed by him/her or her in connection with the public work. The records shall be open at all reasonable hours to the inspection of the Owner, to its officers and agents, and to the Division of Labor Law Enforcement of the State Department of Industrial Relations, its deputies, and agents, or as otherwise provided by applicable law (including but not limited to Labor Code 1776).
- F. In case it becomes necessary for the Contractor or any Subcontractor to employ on the Work under this Contract any person in a trade or occupation (except executive, supervisory, administrative, clerical or other non-manual workers as such) for which no minimum wage rate is specified, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Owner who shall promptly thereafter determine the prevailing rate for such additional trade or occupation from the time of the initial employment of the person affected and during the continuance of such employment.

## 2.53 APPLICATION OF HIGHEST STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS

Whenever two (2) or more standards or requirements appear in these General Conditions or in any other part of the Contract Documents that form the Contract, the highest standard or requirement shall be applied and followed in the performance under this Contract.

## 2.54 NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

Contractor shall comply with all Federal and State Laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, including the following:

- A. California Fair Labor Code Section 1735, which prohibits discrimination in employment on any basis listed in subdivision (a) of Section 12940 of the Government Code, as those bases are defined in Sections 12926 and 12926.1 of the Government Code, except as otherwise provided in Section 12940 of the Government Code, and applies to all employers, employment agencies and labor organizations.

- B. Title VII of the Federal 1964 Civil Rights Act (42 U.S.C. Section 2000e - 2000e - 17) which prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin, and applies to all employers that employ at least fifteen (15) workers during each working day in each of twenty (20) or more calendar weeks in the current or preceding year.
- C. In addition to these two (2) laws of general application listed in the immediately preceding paragraphs A and B, there are other Federal and State laws that prohibit employment discrimination in particular cases.
- D. The Owner is an Affirmative Action Employer and expects all of its contractors and suppliers to familiarize themselves with, and comply with, all applicable laws relating to employment discrimination.
- E. To the extent required by law, the Contractor shall meet all requirements of law relating to the participation of minority, women, and disabled veteran business enterprise contracting goals, and shall comply with Public Contract Code 10115 et seq. and all applicable regulations. Contractor further agrees that, when required, Contractor shall ensure compliance by all Subcontractors and shall complete all forms required by all agencies exercising jurisdiction over the project.

## 2.55 APPRENTICES

- A. Pursuant to Sections 1770-1780 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages in the locality for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the work. Said wage rates pursuant to Section 1773.2 of the Labor Code are on file with the Clerk to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and will be made available to any interested person on request. A copy of this wage scale may also be obtained at the following Web Site: [www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr).
- B. Pursuant to Section 1775 of the Labor Code of the State of California, nothing in this Article shall prevent the employment of properly registered apprentices upon public works. Every such apprentice shall be paid the standard wage paid to apprentices under the regulations of the craft or trade at which he/she is employed and shall be employed only at the work of the craft or trade to which he/she is registered.
- C. Only apprentices, as defined in Section 3077, who are in training under apprenticeship standards and written apprentice agreements under Chapter 4 (commencing at Section 3070), Division 3, of the Labor Code, are eligible to be employed on public works. The employment and training of each apprentice shall be in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship standards and apprentice agreements under which he/she is training.

## 2.56 PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW DEEMED INSERTED

Every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this contract shall be deemed to be inserted, and this contract shall be read and enforced as though it were

included, and if through mistake or otherwise any provision is not inserted or is not correctly inserted, upon application of either party the contract shall be amended to make the insertion or correction.

## 2.57 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION

- A. The Contractor shall comply with Government Code Section 8355 in matters relating to providing a drug-free workplace.
- B. The Contractor shall publish a statement notifying employees that unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substance is prohibited and specifying actions to be taken against employees for violations, as required by Government Code Section 8355(a).
- C. The Contractor shall establish a Drug-Free Awareness Program as required by Government Code 8355(a)(2), to inform employees about all of the following:
  - 1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace,
  - 2. The Contractor's policy for maintaining a drug-free workplace,
  - 3. Any available counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs,
  - 4. Penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- D. Provide as required by Government Code 8355(c), that everyone who provides work under the Agreement.
  - 1. Will receive a copy of the company's drug-free policy statement, and
  - 2. Will agree to abide by the terms of the Contractor's statement as a condition of employment on the contract.

## 2.58 BUILDING PERMIT AND OTHER PERMITS

The Building permit shall be obtained and paid for by the Owner. All other required permits are the responsibility of the Contractor to obtain. Fees for all other required permits shall be reimbursed to the Contractor at actual cost when the County is presented with a valid receipt.

## 2.59 CODES AND REGULATIONS

All work, materials and equipment shall be in full compliance with the California Building Code; California Plumbing Code; California Electrical Code; California Mechanical Code; California Fire Code; California Energy Code; as those codes may be amended from time to time; Cal/OSHA Safety Regulations; all Federal, State and Local laws, ordinances,

regulations and Fresno County Charter provisions in effect and applicable in the performance of the work.

## 2.60 JOB ORDER CONTRACTING SOFTWARE AND LICENSE

### A. Job Order Contracting Software:

The Owner selected The Gordian Group's (Gordian) Job Order Contracting (JOC) Solution for their JOC program. The Gordian JOC Solution™ includes Gordian's proprietary JOC Information Management System ("JOC IMS"), construction cost data, and Construction Task Catalog® which shall be used by the Contractor solely for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations under this Contract, including the preparation and submission of Job Order Proposals, Price Proposals, subcontractor lists, and other requirements specified by the Owner. The Contractor shall be required to execute Gordian's General Terms of Use and pay a one percent (1%) JOC System License Fee to obtain access to the Gordian JOC Solution™. The JOC System License Fee applies to all Job Orders issued to the Contractor under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor shall include the JOC System License Fee in the Adjustment Factors.

END OF SECTION



# SELF-DEALING TRANSACTION DISCLOSURE FORM

(1) Company Board Member Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Company/Agency Name and Address:

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(3) Disclosure (Please describe the nature of the self-dealing transaction you are a party to)

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(4) Explain why this self-dealing transaction is consistent with the requirements of Corporations Code 5233 (a)

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(5) Authorized Signature

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SELF-DEALING TRANSACTION DISCLOSURE FORM INSTRUCTIONS**

In order to conduct business with the County of Fresno (hereinafter referred to as "County"), members of a contractor's board of directors (hereinafter referred to as "County Contractor"), must disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to while providing goods, performing services, or both for the County. A self-dealing transaction is defined below:

*"A self-dealing transaction means a transaction to which the corporation is a party and which one or more of its directors has a material financial interest"*

The definition above will be utilized for purposes of completing the disclosure form.

- (1) Enter board member's name, job title (if applicable), and date this disclosure is being made.
- (2) Enter the board member's company/agency name and address.
- (3) Describe in detail the nature of the self-dealing transaction that is being disclosed to the County. At a minimum, include a description of the following:
  - a. The name of the agency/company with which the corporation has the transaction; and
  - b. The nature of the material financial interest in the Corporation's transaction that the board member has.
- (4) Describe in detail why the self-dealing transaction is appropriate based on applicable provisions of the Corporations Codes.
- (5) Form must be signed by the board member that is involved in the self-dealing transaction described in Sections (3) and (4).



# County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING  
STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

February 21, 2025

Craig James Cox, Chief Risk Officer  
AVENTUS NV, Inc.  
1600 Carse Dr.  
Boulder City, NV 89005

Transmitted by email to: [craig@aventusnv.com](mailto:craig@aventusnv.com)

Subject: **Notice of Approval, General Building Job Order Contract  
Contract No. 24-J-13**

Dear Craig James Cox:

The Job Order Contract between your firm and the County of Fresno became operative on February 11, 2025. A copy of the executed contract is enclosed. We have also sent a copy of this contract to Gordian for set up in their Job Order Contract system.

DIR Project ID **20250566291** is assigned to Contract No. **24-J-13**.

The enclosed copy of Section 41 of the Charter of the County of Fresno is for your reference and compliance. If you have any questions, contact Jeffrey Martin at [jefmartin@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:jefmartin@fresnocountyca.gov) or (559) 600-4509.

Sincerely,

Mohammad Alimi, Ph.D., P.E.  
Design Division Engineer

Jeffrey Martin  
Senior Staff Analyst

Enclosures

cc: Board of Supervisors  
Auditor – Controller  
Financial Services  
Construction Management  
Design Division – Design Services  
Gordian

BOND ISSUED IN DUPLICATE

PAYMENT BOND - PUBLIC WORK  
SECTIONS 3247 - 3252, CIVIL CODE  
(CALIFORNIA)

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
SURETY COMPANY

Bond No. 30232946  
Premium: \$8,500.00

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, The County of Fresno has awarded to AVENTUS NV, INC.

as Contractor, a contract for the work described as follows: General Building Job Order Contract 24-J-13

AND WHEREAS, Said Contractor is required to furnish a bond in connection with said contract, to secure the payment of claims of laborers, mechanics, materialmen, and other persons as provided by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, We the undersigned Contractor and Surety are held and firmly bound unto the County of Fresno in the amount required by law, the sum of \$500,000.00 <sup>Five Hundred Thousand</sup> Dollars No Cents, for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH,

That if said Contractors shall fail to pay (1) Any of the persons named in Civil Code Section 3181, (2) amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Code for work or labor performed in connection with said contract by any such claimant, or (3) any amounts required to be deducted, withheld and paid over to the Employment Development Department and to the Franchise Tax Board from wages of the employees of Contractor and his sub-contractors with respect to such work and labor, pursuant to Section 13020 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, then the Surety or Sureties herein will pay for the same in an aggregate amount not exceeding the sum specified in this bond, and also in case suit is brought upon the bond, a reasonable attorney's fee, to be fixed by the court, otherwise the above obligation shall be void.

This bond shall inure to the benefit of any of the persons named in Civil Code Section 3181 so as to give a right of action to such persons or their assigns in any suit brought upon this bond.

This bond is executed and filed to comply with the provisions of the act of Legislature of the State of California as designated in Civil Code, Sections 3247 - 3252 inclusive, and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and seals on this 3rd day of February, 2025

AVENTUS NV, INC.

*De'Anna Brockway*  
De'Anna Brockway, Chief Operating Officer  
Contractor

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
SURETY COMPANY

By *Gina Noahr*  
Gina Noahr  
Attorney-in-Fact

# Western Surety Company

## POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a South Dakota corporation, is a duly organized and existing corporation having its principal office in the City of Sioux Falls, and State of South Dakota, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

**Gina Noahr, Diana Jarzen, Individually**

of Las Vegas, NV, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

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and to bind it thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the corporation and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions printed at the bottom of this page, duly adopted, as indicated, by the shareholders of the corporation.

In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 29th day of December, 2023.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Larry Kasten, Vice President

State of South Dakota }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 29th day of December, 2023, before me personally came Larry Kasten, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is a Vice President of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporation.

My commission expires

March 2, 2026



M. Bent, Notary Public

### CERTIFICATE

I, L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney hereinabove set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolutions of the corporation printed below this certificate are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said corporation this 3rd day of February, 2025



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

### Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

#### ADOPTED BY THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Law duly adopted by the shareholders of the Company.

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This Power of Attorney is signed by Larry Kasten, Vice President, who has been authorized pursuant to the above Bylaw to execute power of attorneys on behalf of Western Surety Company.

This Power of Attorney may be signed by digital signature and sealed by a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company by unanimous written consent dated the 27th day of April, 2022:

"RESOLVED: That it is in the best interest of the Company to periodically ratify and confirm any corporate documents signed by digital signatures and to ratify and confirm the use of a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal, each to be considered the act and deed of the Company."

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STATE OF Nevada

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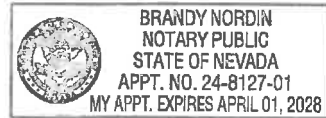
On 2/3/2025, before me, Brandy Nordin, Notary Public,  
(here insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Gina Noahr, Attorney-in-Fact

personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature Brandy Nordin (SEAL)



*This area for Official Notarial Seal*

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- ☐ INDIVIDUAL  
☐ CORPORATE OFFICER

TITLE(S)

- ☐ PARTNER(S) ☐ LIMITED  
☐ GENERAL

- ☐ ATTORNEY-IN-FACT  
☐ TRUSTEE(S)  
☐ GUARDIAN/CONSERVATOR  
☐ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNER IS REPRESENTING:

NAME OF PERSON(S) OR ENTITY(IES)

### DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

TITLE OF TYPE OF DOCUMENT

NUMBER OF PAGES

DATE OF DOCUMENT

SIGNER(S) OTHER THAN NAMED ABOVE

## ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BOND ISSUED IN DUPLICATE

Bond No. 30232946

Document A312™ – 2010

Conforms with The American Institute of Architects AIA Document 312

**Performance Bond**

**CONTRACTOR:**

(Name, legal status and address)

AVENTUS NV, INC.  
1600 Carse Drive  
Boulder City, NV 89005

**SURETY:**

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
151 N. Franklin Street, 17th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60606

Mailing Address for Notices

151 N. Franklin Street, 17th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60606

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

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

**OWNER:**

(Name, legal status and address)

County of Fresno  
2220 Tulare, 6th Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**

Date: January 28, 2025

Amount: \$500,000.00 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents

**Description:**

(Name and location)

General Building Job Order Contract - Contract No. 24-J-13

**BOND**

Date: February 3, 2025

(Not earlier than Construction Contract Date)

Amount: \$500,000.00 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents

Modifications to this Bond:

☒ None

☐ See Section 16

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

Company:

(Corporate Seal)

AVENTUS NV, INC.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*De'Anna Brockway*

Name

De'Anna Brockway

and Title:

Chief Operating Officer

**SURETY**

Company:

(Corporate Seal)

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Gina Noahr*

Name

Gina Noahr

and Title:

Attorney-in-Fact

(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Performance Bond.)

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY — Name, address and telephone)

**AGENT or BROKER:**

**OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:**

(Architect, Engineer or other party:)

Kaercher Insurance, an Alera Group Agency, LLC.

Gina M. Noahr

9555 Hillwood Drive, Suite 140

Las Vegas, NV 89134

702 304 7800

§ 1 The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.

§ 2 If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond, except when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Section 3.

§ 3 If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after

- .1 the Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice shall indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Section 3.1 shall be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. If the Owner, the Contractor and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default;
- .2 the Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and
- .3 the Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.

§ 4 Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Section 3.1 shall not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.

§ 5 When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Section 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:

§ 5.1 Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract;

§ 5.2 Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors;

§ 5.3 Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and a contractor selected with the Owner's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Section 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or

§ 5.4 Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:

- .1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner; or
- .2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.

§ 6 If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Section 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Section 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.



## BOND NUMBER 30232946

§ 7 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner shall not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety shall not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication, for

- .1 the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
- .2 additional legal, design professional and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Section 5; and
- .3 liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.

§ 8 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.3 or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.

§ 9 The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

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§ 11 Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and shall be instituted within two years after a declaration of Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

§ 12 Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.

§ 13 When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

### § 14 Definitions

§ 14.1 **Balance of the Contract Price.** The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made, including allowance to the Contractor of any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.

§ 14.2 **Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

§ 14.3 **Contractor Default.** Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.4 **Owner Default.** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.5 **Contract Documents.** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

§ 15 If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a Contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

BOND NUMBER 30232946

§ 16 Modifications to this bond are as follows:

*(Space is provided below for additional signatures of added parties, other than those appearing on the cover page.)*

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**  
Company: *(Corporate Seal)*

**SURETY**  
Company: *(Corporate Seal)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title:  
Address

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title:  
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In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 29th day of December, 2023.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

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My commission expires

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M. Bent, Notary Public

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WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

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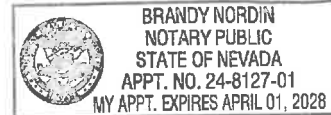
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Signature Brandy Nordin (SEAL)



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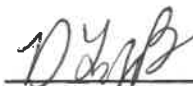
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This bond is executed and filed to comply with the provisions of the act of Legislature of the State of California as designated in Civil Code, Sections 3247 - 3252 inclusive, and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and seals on this 3rd day of February, 2025

AVENTUS NV, INC.

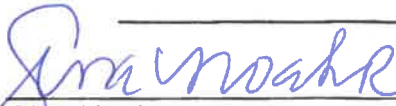


De'Anna Brockway, Chief Operating Officer

Contractor

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
SURETY COMPANY

By



Gina Noahr

Attorney-in-Fact

# Western Surety Company

## POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a South Dakota corporation, is a duly organized and existing corporation having its principal office in the City of Sioux Falls, and State of South Dakota, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

**Gina Noahr, Diana Jarzen, Individually**

of Las Vegas, NV, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

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and to bind it thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the corporation and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions printed at the bottom of this page, duly adopted, as indicated, by the shareholders of the corporation.

In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 29th day of December, 2023.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Larry Kasten, Vice President

State of South Dakota }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 29th day of December, 2023, before me personally came Larry Kasten, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is a Vice President of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporation.

My commission expires

March 2, 2026



M. Bent, Notary Public

### CERTIFICATE

I, L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney hereinabove set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolutions of the corporation printed below this certificate are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said corporation this 3rd day of February, 2025



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

### Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

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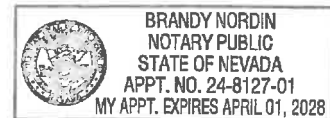
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(here insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Gina Noahr, Attorney-in-Fact

personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature Brandy Nordin (SEAL)



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TITLE(S)

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### SIGNER IS REPRESENTING:

NAME OF PERSON(S) OR ENTITY(IES)

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## ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



BOND ISSUED IN DUPLICATE

Bond No. 30232946

# Document A312™ – 2010

Conforms with The American Institute of Architects AIA Document 312

## Performance Bond

**CONTRACTOR:**

(Name, legal status and address)

AVENTUS NV, INC.  
1600 Carse Drive  
Boulder City, NV 89005

**SURETY:**

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
151 N. Franklin Street, 17th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60606

Mailing Address for Notices

151 N. Franklin Street, 17th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60606

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

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

**OWNER:**

(Name, legal status and address)

County of Fresno  
2220 Tulare, 6th Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**

Date: January 28, 2025

Amount: \$500,000.00 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents

**Description:**

(Name and location)

General Building Job Order Contract - Contract No. 24-J-13

**BOND**

Date: February 3, 2025

(Not earlier than Construction Contract Date)

Amount: \$500,000.00 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents

Modifications to this Bond:

☒ None

☐ See Section 16

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

Company:

(Corporate Seal)

AVENTUS NV, INC.

Signature: De'Anna Brockway

Name

De'Anna Brockway

and Title:

Chief Operating Officer

**SURETY**

Company:

(Corporate Seal)

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Signature: Gina Noahr

Name

Gina Noahr

and Title:

Attorney-in-Fact

(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Performance Bond.)

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY — Name, address and telephone)

**AGENT or BROKER:**

**OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:**

(Architect, Engineer or other party:)

Kaercher Insurance, an Alera Group Agency, LLC.

Gina M. Noahr

9555 Hillwood Drive, Suite 140

Las Vegas, NV 89134

702 304 7800



## BOND NUMBER 30232946

§ 1 The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.

§ 2 If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond, except when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Section 3.

§ 3 If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after

- .1 the Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice shall indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Section 3.1 shall be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. If the Owner, the Contractor and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default;
- .2 the Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and
- .3 the Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.

§ 4 Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Section 3.1 shall not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.

§ 5 When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Section 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:

§ 5.1 Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract;

§ 5.2 Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors;

§ 5.3 Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and a contractor selected with the Owner's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Section 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or

§ 5.4 Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:

- .1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner; or
- .2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.

§ 6 If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Section 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Section 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.

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§ 7 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner shall not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety shall not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication, for

- .1 the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
- .2 additional legal, design professional and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Section 5; and
- .3 liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.

§ 8 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.3 or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.

§ 9 The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

§ 10 The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.

§ 11 Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and shall be instituted within two years after a declaration of Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

§ 12 Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.

§ 13 When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

### § 14 Definitions

§ 14.1 **Balance of the Contract Price.** The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made, including allowance to the Contractor of any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.

§ 14.2 **Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

§ 14.3 **Contractor Default.** Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.4 **Owner Default.** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.5 **Contract Documents.** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

§ 15 If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a Contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

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§ 16 Modifications to this bond are as follows:

*(Space is provided below for additional signatures of added parties, other than those appearing on the cover page.)*

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Corporate Seal)*

**SURETY**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Corporate Seal)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

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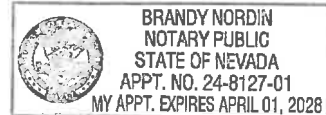
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Signature Brandy Nordin (SEAL)



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## ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

4/1/2025

2/10/2025

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

**IMPORTANT:** If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION** IS **WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

<b>PRODUCER</b> Lockton Insurance Brokers, LLC CA License #0B99399 777 S. Figueroa St., 52nd Floor Los Angeles CA 90017 (213) 689-0065	<b>CONTACT NAME:</b> <b>PHONE (A/C, No. Ext):</b> <b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b> <b>FAX (A/C, No):</b>														
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**DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)**

RE: Contract No: 24-J-13 - Project Name: Job Order Contract - Fresno County, on the policies; that such Commercial General Liability insurance names the County of Fresno, its officers, agents and employees, individually and collectively are Additional Insured to the extent provided by the policy language or endorsement issued or approved by the insurance carrier. Insurance provided to Additional Insured(s) is primary and non-contributory as per the attached endorsements or policy language. Waiver of Subrogation applies per attached endorsement(s) or policy language.

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER****CANCELLATION** See Attachments**21381204**

The County of Fresno  
Department of Public Works and Planning  
2220 Tulare St., 6th Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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If General Liability is cancelled by the issuing company during the policy term, for other than non-payment of premium, 30 days' notice will be provided to the Certificate Holder named below and 10 days' notice for non-payment of premium.

**THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

## **BLANKET LOSS PAYEES**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the  
COMMERCIAL INLAND MARINE COVERAGE PART

The following is added to Section E – ADDITIONAL  
COVERAGE CONDITIONS:

**Loss Payable Provision**

In the event of a Covered Cause of Loss to Covered  
Property in which both you and a Loss Payee share  
an insurable interest, we will:

**a.** Adjust the loss or damage with you; and

**b.** Pay any claim for loss or damage jointly to you  
and the Loss Payee as your interests may  
appear.

This endorsement applies to all Covered Property for  
which a Loss Payee is on file with us or your  
insurance agent or insurance broker.



COMMERCIAL GENERAL

LIABILITY

**THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

## **XTEND ENDORSEMENT FOR CONTRACTORS**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE** — This endorsement broadens coverage. However, coverage for any injury, damage or medical expenses described in any of the provisions of this endorsement may be excluded or limited by another endorsement to this Coverage Part, and these coverage broadening provisions do not apply to

### **B. BLANKET ADDITIONAL INSURED — GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES — PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS RELATING TO OPERATIONS**

The following is added to **SECTION II — WHO IS  
AN INSURED**:

Any governmental entity that has issued a permit or authorization with respect to operations performed by you or on your behalf and that you are required by any ordinance, law, building code or written contract or agreement to include as an additional insured on this Coverage Part is an insured, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of such operations.

The insurance provided to such governmental entity does not apply to:

- a. Any "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of operations performed for the governmental entity; or
- b. Any "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

**d. Primary And Non-Contributory  
Insurance If**

**Required By Written Contract**

If you specifically agree in a written contract or agreement that the insurance afforded to an insured under this Coverage Part must apply on a primary basis, or a primary and noncontributory basis, this insurance is primary to other insurance that is available to such insured which covers such insured as a named insured, and we will not share with that other insurance, provided that:

- (1) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" for which coverage is sought occurs; and
- (2) The "personal and advertising injury" for which coverage is sought is caused by an offense that is committed;

subsequent to the signing of that contract or agreement by you.

**D. BLANKET WAIVER OF SUBROGATION**

The following is added to Paragraph **8., Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us**, of **SECTION IV - COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CONDITIONS**:

If the insured has agreed in a contract or agreement to waive that insured's right of recovery against any person or organization, we waive our right of recovery against such person or organization, but only for payments we make because of:

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurs; OR
- b. "Personal and advertising injury" caused by an offense that is committed;

subsequent to the execution of the contract or agreement.

ordinance relating to the sale of



ONE TOWER SQUARE  
HARTFORD CT 06183

**WORKERS COMPENSATION  
AND  
EMPLOYERS LIABILITY POLICY**

**ENDORSEMENT WC 00 03 13 (00) - 001**

POLICY NUMBER: UB-1Y262354

**WAIVER OF OUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM OTHERS ENDORSEMENT**

We have the right to recover our payments from anyone liable for an injury covered by this policy. We will not enforce our right against the person or organization named in the Schedule. (This agreement applies only to the extent that you perform work under a written contract that requires you to obtain this agreement from us.)

This agreement shall not operate directly or indirectly to benefit any one not named in the Schedule.

**SCHEDULE**

**DESIGNATED PERSON:**

**DESIGNATED ORGANIZATION:**

ANY PERSON OR ORGANIZATION FOR WHICH THE INSURED HAS AGREED  
BY WRITTEN CONTRACT EXECUTED PRIOR TO LOSS TO FURNISH THIS  
WAIVER.

POLICY NUMBER:  
**DTE-CO-0Y866453-IND-24**

ISSUE DATE:  
**04-23-24**

**THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

## **NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL PROVIDED BY US**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

ALL COVERAGE PARTS INCLUDED IN THIS POLICY

### **SCHEDULE**

**CANCELLATION:**

**Number of Days Notice:** 60

**WHEN WE DO NOT RENEW (Nonrenewal):**

**Number of Days Notice:** 60

**PROVISIONS**

**A.** If we cancel this policy for any legally permitted reason other than nonpayment of premium, and a number of days is shown for Cancellation in the Schedule above, we will mail notice of cancellation at least the number of days shown for Cancellation in such Schedule before the effective date of cancellation.

**B.** If we do not renew this policy for any legally permitted reason other than nonpayment of premium, and a number of days is shown for When We Do Not Renew (Nonrenewal) in the Schedule above, we will mail notice of nonrenewal at least the number of days shown for When We Do Not Renew (Nonrenewal) in such Schedule before the effective date of nonrenewal.

**PROPOSAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF FRESNO**

**CONTRACT: GENERAL BUILDING JOB ORDER CONTRACT**

**CONTRACT #'s.:** 24-J-10  
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Various Funding Orgs.

If this proposal shall be accepted and the undersigned shall fail to contract, as aforesaid, and to give the two bonds in the sums to be determined as aforesaid, with surety satisfactory to the Awarding Authority, within ten (10) days after the award of the contract, the Awarding Authority, at its option, may determine that the bidder has abandoned the contract, and thereupon this proposal and the acceptance thereof shall be null and void, and the forfeiture of such security accompanying this proposal shall operate and the same shall be the property of the Owner.

The undersigned, as bidder, declares that all addenda issued with respect to this bid have been received and incorporated into this Proposal. The bidder's signature on this Proposal also constitutes acknowledgement of all addenda.

The undersigned, as bidder, declares that the only persons, or parties interested in this proposal as principals are those named herein; that this proposal is made without collusion with any other person, firm or corporation; that they have carefully examined the Construction Task Catalog®, Technical Specifications and Contracting Requirements and they propose and agree if this proposal is accepted, that they will contract with the County of Fresno to provide all necessary machinery, tools, apparatus and other means of construction, and to do all the work and furnish all the materials specified in the contract in the manner and time therein prescribed, and according to the requirements of the Owner as therein set forth.

The Contractor shall perform all Work required called for in the Detailed Scope of Work of each individual Work Order issued under this Contract using the Construction Task Catalog® and Technical Specifications incorporated herein. Contractor shall perform any or all functions called for in the Contract Documents as specified in individual Work Orders against this Contract for the Unit Prices specified in the Construction Task Catalog® (CTC) and Non Pre-priced work multiplied by the following Adjustment Factors.

The Bidder shall set forth Adjustment Factors in the respective space provided below. **See example below.** Failure to submit Adjustment Factors for all categories will result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive.

**Adjustment Factor 2 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 1, Adjustment Factor 3 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 1. Adjustment Factor 4 must be greater than or equal to Adjustment Factor 3. Adjustment Factors not adhering to these requirements may result in Proposals being deemed non-responsive.**

The Contractor shall perform the Tasks required by each individual Job Order using the following Adjustment Factors. When submitting Work Order Price Proposals related to

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specific Work Orders, the Contractor shall utilize one or more of the Adjustment Factors applicable to the Work being performed provided on the Schedule of Adjustment Factors below, as applicable.

**Example**

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**BIDDER:** Durham Construction Company, Inc.

**Schedule of Adjustment Factors**

In case of a discrepancy between words and figures the words shall prevail. Use clearly legible words and figures.

1. **General Facilities - Normal Working Hours** (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)

ONE POINT ONE THREE FIVE ZERO

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(Written in words) (Specify to four (4) decimal places)

2. **General Facilities - Other Than Normal Working Hours** (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)  
Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 1

ONE POINT ONE THREE FIVE ZERO

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(Written in words) (Specify to four (4) decimal places)

3. **Secure Facilities - Normal Working Hours** (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday) Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 1

ONE POINT ONE FOUR ZERO ZERO

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(Written in words) (Specify to four (4) decimal places)

4. **Secure Facilities - Other Than Normal Working Hours** (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)  
Must be greater than Adjustment Factor 3

ONE POINT ONE FOUR ZERO ZERO

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(Written in words) (Specify to four (4) decimal places)



**BIDDER:** Durham Construction Company, Inc.

**Acknowledgement of Addendum:**

Addendum No. 01 Dated 11-26-2024 Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Criteria Figure**

Transfer the number on Line 9 from the Award Criteria Figure Calculation below to the space provided below constituting the Bidder's Award Criteria Figure. Transfer the number and write the words.

ONE POINT ONE THREE SIX ZERO

(Written in clearly legible words)

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(Specify to four (4) decimal places in legible figures)

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### Award Criteria Figure Calculation

The weighted multipliers in lines 2, 4, 6, and 8 below are for the purpose of calculating an Award Criteria Figure only. No assurances are made by the Owner that Work will be ordered under the Contract in a distribution consistent with the weighted percentages. The Award Criteria Figure is only used for the purpose of determining the lowest Bidder.

#### The Owner Reserves The Right To Revise All Arithmetic Errors In the Calculation of the Award Criteria Figure For Correctness.

Instructions To Bidder: Specify lines 1 through 9 to four (4) decimal places. Use conventional rounding methodology (i.e., if the number in the 5th decimal place is 0-4, the number in the 4th decimal remains unchanged; if the number in the 5th decimal place is 5-9, the number in the 4th decimal is rounded upward).

Line 1.	<b>General Facilities – Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	1.1.1350	
Line 2.	Multiply Line 1 by 70%		2.0.7945
Line 3.	<b>General Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours (5:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays)</b>	3.1.1350	
Line 4.	Multiply Line 3 by 10%		4.0.1135
Line 5.	<b>Secure Facilities – Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	5.1.1400	
Line 6.	Multiply Line 5 by 15%		6.0.1710
Line 7.	<b>Secure Facilities – Other Than Normal Working Hours Other Than Normal Working Hours (7:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday)</b>	7.1.1400	
Line 8.	Multiply Line 7 by 5%		8.0.0570
Line 9.	Add Lines 2, 4, 6, and 8. This is the Award Criteria Figure:		1.1360

END OF PROPOSAL FORM

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**Bid Security**

Accompanying this proposal is security (check one only) in amount equal to at least \$25,000.00:

Bid Bond (X); Certified Check ( ); Cashier's Check ( ); Cash (\$ )

**Addenda Acknowledgement**

Bidder has and acknowledges the following addenda: Addendum 1 ( 11-26-2024)

**Business Information**

Business Name Durham Construction Company, Inc.

*Note: If bidder or other interested person is a corporation, state legal name of corporation. If bidder is a co-partnership, state true name of firm.*

Business Owners and Officers Names Chris Durham, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Holder of

*Note: If bidder or other interested person is:* all Corporate Offices.

- *a corporation, list names of the president, secretary, treasurer and manager thereof*
- *a partnership, list names of all individual co-partners composing firm.*
- *an individual, state first and last name in full.*

Names of Owners and Key Employees Chris Durham

*Note: List majority owners of your firm. If multiple owners, list all. Also include anyone, including key employees, who are actively promoting the contract. (SB1439)*

Licensed in accordance with an act providing for the registration of Contractors:

Class B Contractor License No. #765896 Expires 07-31-2025

DIR Registration Number 1000002869

Business Address: 1025 Holland Ave, Clovis, CA 93612

Zip Code

Mailing Address: 1025 Holland Ave, Clovis, CA 93612


Zip Code

Business Phone: ( 559 ) 294-9500

Fax Number: ( 559 ) 294-9200

Email Address chris@durham-construction.com

**Bidder Signature**

Signature of Bidder: 

Dated: 12-09-2024

**NOTE:** If bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the corporation; if bidder is a co-partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the co-partnership; and if bidder is an individual, his or her signature shall be placed above. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a Power of Attorney must be on file with the Owner prior to opening bids or submitted with the bid; otherwise, the bid will be disregarded as irregular and unauthorized.

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## Bid Bond

### CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)

Durham Construction Company, Inc.  
1025 Holland Avenue  
Clovis, CA 93612

### SURETY:

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

Endurance Assurance Corporation  
12890 Lebanon Road  
Mount Juliet, TN 37122-2870

### Mailing Address for Notices

Endurance Assurance Corporation  
12890 Lebanon Road  
Mount Juliet, TN 37122-2870

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

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

### OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning  
2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor  
Fresno, CA 93721

**BOND AMOUNT:** \$25,000 Twenty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars

### PROJECT:

(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)

General Building Job Order Contract, Contract No. 24-J-10, 24-J-11, 24-J-12, 24-J-13, Class B

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 10th day of December, 2024

Durham Construction Company, Inc.

(Principal)

(Seal)

(Witness)

By:

(Title)

President

Endurance Assurance Corporation

(Surety)

(Seal)

(Witness)

By:

(Title)

Kim Wilson, Attorney-in-Fact

Surety Phone No. 628-242-1624

**Civil Code § 1189**

State of California )  
 ) ss  
County of Fresno )

Lyn Genito, Notary Public

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that Endurance Assurance Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("EAC"), Endurance American Insurance Company, a Delaware corporation ("EAIC"), Lexon Insurance Company, a Texas corporation ("LIC"), and/or Bond Safeguard Insurance Company, a South Dakota corporation ("BSIC"), each, a "Company" and collectively, "Sompo International," do hereby constitute and appoint: Steven P. Edwards, Lyn Genito, Kim Wilson, Bonnie Gonzalez as true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, seal, and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety or co-surety; bonds and undertakings given for any and all purposes, also to execute and deliver on its behalf as aforesaid renewals, extensions, agreements, waivers, consents or stipulations relating to such bonds or undertakings provided, however, that no single bond or undertaking so made, executed and delivered shall obligate the Company for any portion of the penal sum thereof in excess of the sum of **One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00)**.

Such bonds and undertakings for said purposes, when duly executed by said attorney(s)-in-fact, shall be binding upon the Company as fully and to the same extent as if signed by the President of the Company under its corporate seal attested by its Corporate Secretary.

This appointment is made under and by authority of certain resolutions adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC, a copy of which appears below under the heading entitled "Certificate".

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC and said resolution has not since been revoked, amended or repealed:

RESOLVED, that the signature of an individual named above and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Company has caused this instrument to be signed by the following officers, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 25th day of May, 2023.

Endurance Assurance Corporation

Endurance American Insurance Company

Lexon Insurance Company

Bond Safeguard Insurance Company

By: *Richard Appel*  
Richard Appel, SVP & Senior Counsel

By: *Richard Appel*  
Richard Appel, SVP & Senior Counsel

By: *Richard Appel*  
Richard Appel, SVP & Senior Counsel

By: *Richard Appel*  
Richard Appel, SVP & Senior Counsel



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

On this 25th day of May, 2023, before me, personally came the above signatories known to me, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is an officer of each of the Companies; and that he executed said instrument on behalf of each Company by authority of his office under the by-laws of each Company.

By: *Amy Taylor*  
Amy Taylor, Notary Public - My Commission Expires 3/9/27



**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned Officer of each Company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. That the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a copy was duly executed on behalf of each Company and has not since been revoked, amended or modified; that the undersigned has compared the foregoing copy thereof with the original power of attorney, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the original power of attorney and of the whole thereof;
2. The following are resolutions which were adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC and said resolutions have not since been revoked, amended or modified:

"RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named below is authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety with others: RICHARD M. APPEL, MATTHEW E. CURRAN, MARGARET HYLAND, SHARON L. SIMS, CHRISTOPHER L. SPARRO,

and be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named above is authorized to appoint attorneys-in-fact for the purpose of making, executing, sealing and delivering bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety for and on behalf of the Company."

3. The undersigned further certifies that the above resolutions are true and correct copies of the resolutions as so recorded and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal this 10 day of December, 2024.

By: *Daniel S. Lurie*  
Daniel S. Lurie, Secretary

**NOTICE: U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL (OFAC)**

No coverage is provided by this Notice nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of any surety bond or other surety coverage provided. This Notice provides information concerning possible impact on your surety coverage due to directives issued by OFAC. **Please read this Notice carefully.**

The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) administers and enforces sanctions policy, based on Presidential declarations of "national emergency". OFAC has identified and listed numerous foreign agents, front organizations, terrorists, terrorist organizations, and narcotics traffickers as "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons". This list can be located on the United States Treasury's website - <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List>.

In accordance with OFAC regulations, if it is determined that you or any other person or entity claiming the benefits of any coverage has violated U.S. sanctions law or is a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person, as identified by OFAC, any coverage will be considered a blocked or frozen contract and all provisions of any coverage provided are immediately subject to OFAC. When a surety bond or other form of surety coverage is considered to be such a blocked or frozen contract, no payments nor premium refunds may be made without authorization from OFAC. Other limitations on the premiums and payments may also apply.

Any reproductions are void.

Surety Claims Submission: [LexonClaimAdministration@sompo-intl.com](mailto:LexonClaimAdministration@sompo-intl.com)

Telephone: 615-553-9500 Mailing Address: Sompo International; 12890 Lebanon Road; Mount Juliet, TN 37122-2870

**CONTRACT: GENERAL BUILDING JOB ORDER CONTRACT**  
**CONTRACT #'s: 24-J-10 24-J-11 24-J-12 24-J-13, Class B**

To the Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno:

**NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION**

**TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID\***

The undersigned declares: Chris Durham, President, Secretary,  
Treasurer, Holder of all Corporate  
Offices.

I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
(Owner, Partner, Corporate Officer (list title), Co-Venturer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Durham Construction Company, Inc., the party  
making the foregoing bid.

The bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation. The bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or refrain from bidding. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder. All statements contained in the bid are true. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for that purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration is executed on

12-09-2024 at Clovis, CA."  
[date] [city] [state]  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

(See Title 23 United States Code Section 112; Calif Public Contract Code Section 7106)

**\*NOTE:** Completing, signing, and returning the Non-Collusion Declaration is a required part of the Proposal. Bidders are cautioned that making a false certification may subject the certifier to criminal prosecution.

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**TITLE 13, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS § 2449(I) GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED FLEETS**

In conformance with Title 13 § 2449(i), bidders will be required to attach copies of valid Certificates of Reported Compliance for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors.

Before May 15th of each year, the prime contractor must collect a new valid Certificate of Reported Compliance for the current compliance year, as defined in section 2449(n), from all fleets that have an ongoing contract with the prime contractor as of March 1st of that year. Prime contractors must not write contracts to evade this requirement. Annual renewals must be provided to the Resident Engineer at least one week prior to the expiration date of the current certificate.

<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/fact-sheets/fact-sheet-contracting-requirements>


Choose all that apply:

- ☒ Bidder's Certificate of Reported Compliance has been attached to the bid.
- ☐ Bidder does not have a fleet subject to this regulation as outlined in Section 2449(i)(1)-(4).
- ☐ Listed subcontractors' certificates have been attached or will be submitted within five (5) calendar days of the bid opening.
- ☐ The following subcontractors do not have a fleet subject to this regulation as outlined in Section 2449(i)(1)-(4):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE CERTIFICATES OF REPORTED COMPLIANCE AS DIRECTED MAY RENDER THE BID NON-RESPONSIVE.**

Proposal – 7  
Contract Number 24-J-10 24-J-11 24-J-12 24-J13

 Chris Durham  
President



California Environmental Protection Agency  
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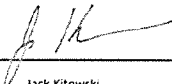
January 1, 2024

**CERTIFICATE OF REPORTED COMPLIANCE  
OFF-ROAD DIESEL VEHICLE REGULATION**

is issued to

**DURHAM CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.**

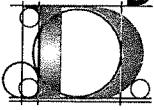
This certificate indicates that the fleet listed above has reported off-road diesel vehicles to the California Air Resources Board and has certified they are in compliance with title 13 CCR, section 2449. All applicable vehicles owned by the individual, company, or agency must be reported and labeled, as specified in Section 2449, with all possible completeness, else this certificate is null and void. **Certificate expires 2/28/2025**

  
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Jack Kitowski  
Chief, Mobile Source Control Division  
California Air Resources Board

Off-road Diesel Fleet Identification

**7911**

To verify the authenticity of this certificate, enter this number at  
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