

## CONTRACT

This Contract ("Contract") is made by and between the \_\_\_\_\_ District ("District"), and ("Contractor").

District and Contractor hereby agree as follows:

1. Description of Work

The Contractor agrees to furnish all labor, materials, equipment, tools, supervision, appurtenances, and services, including transportation and utilities, required to perform and satisfactorily complete all work required for the following project ("Project") in full conformance with the Contract Documents:

2. Contract Documents

The Contract Documents consist of the executed Contract and all Addenda, all approved change orders, the required Insurance forms, the Notice of Award, the Notice to Proceed, the General Conditions and any supplemental conditions, the Technical Specifications, the Drawings, Labor Compliance Program and Compliance Monitoring Unit program (if applicable), and \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Compensation

As full compensation for the Contractor's complete and satisfactory performance of the work and activities described in the Contract Documents, the District agrees to pay Contractor, and Contractor agrees to accept the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), which shall be paid to the Contractor according to the Contract Documents.

4. Prevailing Wages

This Project is subject to prevailing wage requirements and Contractor and its Subcontractors are required to pay all workers employed for the performance of this Contract no less than the applicable prevailing wage rate for each such worker. If this Contract is for a public works project over \$25,000 or for a maintenance project over \$15,000, Contractor acknowledges that the project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations in accordance with California Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1770 *et seq.*

5. Time for Completion

The starting date of the Contract shall be the day listed by the District in the Notice to Proceed and the Contractor shall fully complete all the work before the expiration of \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the starting date. Time is of the essence in the performance of this Contract.

6. Liquidated Damages

Liquidated damages for the Contractor's failure to complete the Contract within the time fixed for completion are established in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per calendar day.

7. Performance and Payment Bonds

The Contractor shall file with the District the following bonds, using the bond forms provided with these Contract Documents:

- a) A corporate surety bond, in a sum not less than 100 percent of the amount of the Contract, to guarantee the faithful performance of the Contract.
- b) A corporate surety bond, in a sum not less than 100 percent of the amount of the Contract, to guarantee the payment of wages for services engaged and of bills contracted for materials, supplies, and equipment used in the performance of the Contract.

8. Independent Contractor

The parties intend that Contractor and Contractor's employees and agents, if any, in performing the services herein specified, shall act as an independent contractor and shall have control of the work and the manner in which it is performed in accordance with Labor Code section 2750.3. Contractor acknowledges that it is a sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or corporation, as defined by Labor Code section 2750.3(e). Contractor is not to be considered an agent or employee of District and is not entitled to participate in any pension plans, insurance, bonus or similar benefits District provides its employees. Contractor shall not at any time or in any manner represent that Individual is an official, officer, employee or agent of District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties agree to the terms of this Contract on the day and year written below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
District

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Individual Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor License No.  
and Expiration Date

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Individual Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If Corporation, Place Seal Below:



For: \_\_\_\_\_  
Corporation or Partnership

## GENERAL CONDITIONS TO CONTRACT

### 1. DEFINITIONS

Architect: The person or firm holding a valid license to practice architecture or engineering which has been designated (if any designated) to provide architectural or engineering design services on this Project. If no architect or engineer has in fact been designated, then the matter shall be referred to the District Superintendent.

DSA: The State of California Division of the State Architect.

Final Completion: Final Completion is achieved when the Contractor has fully completed all Contract Document requirements, including, but not limited to, all final punch list items, to the District's satisfaction.

Inspector: The person engaged by the District to conduct the inspections required by the Education Code and Title 24.

Subcontractor: A person, firm, or corporation, duly licensed by the State of California, who has a contract with the Contractor regarding the Project.

### 2. ARCHITECT

The Architect is responsible for the overall design of the Project.

### 3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

#### a. Contents and Precedence

The Contract Documents consist of the executed Contract and all Addenda, all approved change orders, the required insurance forms, the Notice of Award, the Notice to Proceed, the General Conditions, any supplemental Conditions, and the Technical Specifications, the Drawings. The Contract Documents are complementary and anything required by one shall be as binding as if required by all. In case of conflicts within the Contract Documents, the order of precedence of interpretation shall be as listed above, with the executed Contract and any change order thereto having priority, and subsequent Addenda having priority over prior Addenda only to the extent modified by the subsequent Addenda. In case of conflict within the drawings, larger scale drawings shall govern smaller scale drawings, and written dimensions shall govern over scaled dimensions.

#### b. Ambiguities, Errors, and Inconsistencies

If, in the opinion of the Contractor, the construction details indicated on the drawings or otherwise specified are in conflict with accepted industry standards for quality construction

and therefore might interfere with its full guarantee of the work involved, the Contractor shall promptly bring this information to the attention of the Architect for appropriate action before submittal of the proposal. Contractor's failure to request clarification or interpretation of an apparent ambiguity, error or inconsistency waives that Contractor's right to thereafter claim any entitlement to additional compensation based upon an ambiguity, inconsistency, or error, which should have been discovered by a reasonably prudent Contractor, subject to the limitations of Public Contract Code §1104. During the Project, should any discrepancy appear or any misunderstanding arise as to the import of anything contained in the Contract Documents, the matter shall be promptly referred to the Architect, who will issue instructions or corrections.

c. Lines and Planes

All lines and planes appearing on Contract drawings to be horizontal or vertical and not explicitly indicated otherwise shall be constructed true and plumb. All lines and planes appearing on Contract drawings to intersect at right angles and not explicitly indicated otherwise shall be constructed at true right angles. Where details are indicated covering specific conditions, such details also apply to all similar conditions not specifically indicated.

d. Standards

The specification standards of the various sections of the Specifications shall be the procedural, performance, and material standards of the applicable association publications identified and shall be the required level of installation, materials, workmanship, and performance for the applicable work. Except where a specific date of issue is mentioned hereinafter, references to specification standards shall mean the edition, including amendments and supplements, in effect on the date of the Contract. Where no standard is identified and a manufacturer is specified, the manufacturer's specifications are the standards. All standards shall be subordinate to the requirements of the applicable codes and regulations.

Wherever in the Specifications an article, device or piece of equipment is referred to in the singular, such reference shall include as many such items as are shown on drawings or required to complete the installation.

4. INTENT OF DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Drawings and Specifications are to be read as an integrated document.

Figured dimensions shall be followed in preference to scaled dimensions, and the Contractor shall make all additional measurements necessary for the work and shall be responsible for their accuracy. Before ordering any material or doing any work, the Contractor shall verify all measurements at the Project site and shall be responsible for the correctness of same.

It is the intent of the drawings and Specifications to show and describe complete installations. Items shown but not specified, or specified but not shown, shall be included unless specifically omitted.

The Specifications shall be deemed to include and require everything necessary and reasonably incidental to the completion of all work described and indicated on the drawings, whether particularly mentioned or shown, or not.

5. MASTER MANDATORY PROVISIONS

- a. Any material, item, or piece of equipment mentioned, listed or indicated without definition of quality, shall be consistent with the quality of adjacent or related materials, items, or pieces of equipment on the Project and in accordance with best practices.
- b. Any method of installation, finish, or workmanship of an operation called for, without definition of standard of workmanship, shall be followed or performed and finished in accordance with best practices and consistent with adjacent or related installations on the Project.
- c. Any necessary material, item, piece of equipment or operation not called for but reasonably implied as necessary for proper completion of the work shall be furnished, installed or performed and finished; and shall be consistent with adjacent or related materials, items, or pieces of equipment on the Project, and in accordance with best practices.
- d. Names or numbered products are to be used according to the manufacturers' directions or recommendations unless otherwise specified.

6. CONTRACTOR

- a. The Contractor shall perform all the work and activities required by the Contract Documents and furnish all labor, materials, equipment, tools and appurtenances necessary to perform the work and complete it to the District's satisfaction within the time specified. The Contractor shall at all times perform the work of this Contract in a competent and workmanlike manner and, if not specifically stated, accomplish the work according to the best standards of construction practice. The Contractor in no way is relieved of any responsibility by the activities of the architect, engineer, inspector or DSA in the performance of such duties.
- b. The Contractor shall employ a full-time competent superintendent and necessary assistants who shall have complete authority to act for the Contractor on all matters pertaining to the work. The superintendent shall be satisfactory to the District and, if not satisfactory, shall be replaced by the Contractor with one that is acceptable. Also, the superintendent shall not be changed without the written consent of the District unless the superintendent ceases to be employed by the Contractor.

- c. Contractor shall make the layout of lines and elevations and shall be responsible for the accuracy of both the Contractor's and the Subcontractors' work resulting therefrom. All dimensions affecting proper fabrication and installation of all Contract work must be verified by the Contractor prior to fabrication and installation by taking field measurements of the true conditions. The Contractor shall take, and assist Subcontractors in taking, all field dimensions required in performance of the work, and shall verify all dimensions and conditions on the site. If there are any discrepancies between dimensions in drawings and existing conditions which will affect the work, the Contractor shall promptly bring such discrepancies to the attention of the Architect for adjustment before proceeding with the work. Contractor shall be responsible for the proper fitting of all work and for the coordination of all trades, Subcontractors and persons engaged upon this Contract.
- d. Contractor shall do all cutting, fitting, or patching of Contractor's work that may be required to make its several parts come together properly and fit it to receive or be received by work of other contractors as shown, or reasonably implied by, the drawings and Specifications for the completed work. Any cost incurred by the District due to defective or ill-timed work shall be borne by the Contractor.

7. RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR

- a. Contractor shall be held strictly responsible for the proper performance of all work covered by the Contract Documents, including all work performed by Subcontractors. All work performed under this Contract shall comply in every respect to the rules and regulations of all agencies having jurisdiction over the Project or any part thereof.
- b. Contractor shall perform the duties and shall submit Verified Reports as required by Title 24, California Code of Regulations ("CCR").
- c. With respect to work performed at and near a school site, Contractor shall at all times take all appropriate measures to ensure the security and safety of students and staff, including, but not limited to, ensuring that all of Contractor's employees, Subcontractors, and suppliers entering school property strictly adhere to all applicable District policies and procedures, e.g., sign-in requirements, visitor badges, and access limitations.

8. SUBCONTRACTORS

- a. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between any Subcontractor and the District. The District shall be deemed to be the third party beneficiary of the contract between the Contractor and each Subcontractor. If the Contractor does not specify a Subcontractor for any portion of the work to be performed under this Contract, as required by law, Contractor shall perform that portion of the work with its own forces. The Contractor shall not substitute any other person or firm as a Subcontractor for those listed in the List submitted by the Contractor, without the written approval of the District and in conformance with the requirements of the Public Contract Code. The District reserves the right of approval of all Subcontractors proposed for use on

this Project, and to this end, may require financial, performance, and such additional information as is needed to secure this approval. If a Subcontractor is not approved, the Contractor shall promptly submit another firm of the same trade for approval.

9. INSURANCE

- a. Contractor shall obtain the following insurance from a company or companies acceptable to the District. All required insurance must be written by a company licensed to do business in the State of California at the time the policy is issued. All required insurance shall be equal to or exceed an A VIII rating as listed in Best's Insurance Guides' latest edition. On a case-by-case basis, the District may accept insurance written by a company listed on the State of California Department of Insurance List of Eligible Surplus Lines ("LESLI List") with a rating of A VIII or above as listed in Best's Insurance Guides' latest edition. Required documentation of such insurance shall be furnished to the District within the time stated in the Notice of Award. Contractor shall not commence work nor shall it allow its employees or Subcontractors or anyone to commence work until all insurance required hereunder has been submitted and approved in writing by the District and a notice to proceed has been issued.
- b. Contractor shall take out and maintain at all times during the life of this Contract, up to the date of acceptance of the work by the District, the following policies of insurance:
  - 1) Public Liability Insurance: Personal injury and replacement value property damage insurance for all activities of the Contractor and its Subcontractors arising out of or in connection with this Contract, written on a comprehensive general liability form including contractor's protected coverage, blanket contractual, completed operations, vehicle coverage and employer's non-ownership liability coverage, in an amount no less than \$2,000,000 combined single limit personal injury and property damage for each occurrence, and a general aggregate limit which applies either separately or specifically to this Contract of \$2,000,000.
  - 2) Builders' Risk Insurance: Contractor shall procure and maintain builders' risk insurance (all-risk coverage) for an amount equal to one hundred percent of the Contract sum for the benefit of the District, and the Contractor and Subcontractors as their interest may appear. In projects involving no structural change or building construction, this requirement may be waived in writing, at the District's sole option.
  - 3) Automobile Insurance. Automobile liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage in an amount no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit for each occurrence. Such insurance shall include coverage for owned, hired, and nonowned vehicles

These policies shall include the following coverage:



- 1) The inclusion of more than one insured shall not operate to impair the rights of one insured against another insured and the coverages afforded shall apply as though separate policies have been issued to each insured.
- 2) This policy does not exclude explosion, collapse, underground excavation hazard, or removal of lateral support.

c. Endorsements:

- 1) The policies specified above shall be endorsed with the following specific language:

“The District is named as an additional insured for all liability arising out of the operations by or on behalf of the named insured, and this policy protects the additional insured, its officers, agents and employees against liability for bodily injuries, death or property damage or destruction arising in any respect directly or indirectly in the performance of the Contract.”

- 2) The certificates must state that the insurance is under an occurrence based, and not a claims-made policy (policies). Both the Public Liability Policy and the Builders' Risk Policy specified above shall be endorsed with the following specific language:
  - i. The insurance provided herein is primary and no insurance held or owned by the District shall be called upon to contribute to a loss.
  - ii. Coverage provided by this policy shall not be reduced or canceled without thirty (30) days written notice given to the District by certified mail.

d. Documentation:

Within ten (10) calendar days following issuance of the Notice of Award of the Contract, the following documentation of insurance shall be submitted to the District for approval prior to issuance of the Notice to Proceed: signed certificates of insurance showing the limits of insurance provided and copies of the specified endorsements for each policy. Certified copies of all policies shall be provided to the District upon request. If Contractor fails to submit the required documentation for all coverage required by this Contract within ten (10) calendar days following issuance of the Notice of Award, the District may, acting in its sole discretion, rescind the Notice of Award and the Contract.

- e. If the Contractor fails to maintain such insurance, the District may take out such insurance to cover any damages for which the District might be held liable on account of the Contractor's failure to pay such damages, and deduct and retain the amount of the premiums from any sums due the Contractor under the Contract.

f. Workers' Compensation Insurance:

- 1) Within ten (10) calendar days following issuance of the Notice of Award of the Contract, the Contractor shall furnish to the District satisfactory proof that the Contractor and all Subcontractors it intends to employ have procured, for the period covered by the Contract, full Workers' Compensation insurance as required by law.

10. CODES AND REGULATIONS

- a. The Contractor shall be knowledgeable regarding and shall comply with applicable portions of Code of Regulations Title 24, the applicable Building Codes, and all other codes, ordinances, regulations or orders of properly constituted authority having jurisdiction over the work of this Project. The Contractor shall examine the Contract Documents for compliance with these codes and regulations and shall promptly notify the Architect of any discrepancies.
- b. All work and materials shall be in full accordance with the latest rules and regulations of the Safety Orders of the Division of Industrial Safety and the applicable State laws and/or regulations. Nothing in the Project plans or Specifications is to be construed to permit work not conforming to the applicable Codes. Buildings and/or all other construction covered by this Contract shall meet all the regulations for access by the physically handicapped as administered by the Division of the State Architect and as may be required by federal or state law.

11. PERMITS AND TAXES

The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all permits, fees and licenses that are required in order to perform the work under this Contract. The District shall pay connection charges and meter costs for new permanent utilities required by these Contract Documents.

The Contractor shall pay for all applicable taxes on materials and equipment.

12. PATENTS AND ROYALTIES

All fees or claims for patents, royalties or licenses on materials, equipment or processes used in the performance of work on this Project shall be included in the amount of the Contract price.

13. SAFETY AND FIRE PREVENTION

- a. The Contractor, Subcontractors and all of their agents and employees shall fully comply with all of the provisions and requirements of CAL/OSHA, Title 8, California Code of Regulations and all other safety codes applicable to the Project, including but not limited to all federal, state, local and District ordinances and protocols relating to COVID-19. The Contractor shall take thorough precautions at all times for the protection of persons and property, and shall be liable for all damages to persons or property, either on or off the site,

which occur as a result of Contractor's prosecution of the work. The Contractor shall obtain permits for, install and maintain in safe condition barricades, walkways, fences, railings, and whatever other safeguards that may be necessary to protect persons and property from damage as a result of the construction under this Contract.

- b. The Contractor, in performing services under the Contract, agrees to strictly, and without exception, follow all local, state and federal guidelines and protocols regarding COVID, including all District policies and procedures.
- c. Contractor is required to ensure Material Safety Data Sheets ("MSDS") are available in a readily accessible place at the work site for any material requiring a MSDS pursuant to the federal "Hazard Communication" standard or employee "right to know" laws. Contractor is also required to ensure proper labeling on materials brought on the job site such that any person working with the material or within the general area of the material is informed of the hazards of the material and follows proper handling and protection procedures. A copy of the MSDS shall also be promptly submitted directly to the District.
- c. Contractor shall take extraordinary care to prevent fires.

#### 14. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Unless otherwise specified, this Contract does not include the removal, handling, or disturbance of any hazardous substances or materials encountered in the new construction or on the Project grounds. If such substances or materials are encountered, work shall cease in that area and the District shall be promptly notified to take appropriate action for removal or otherwise abating the condition in accordance with current regulations applicable to the District.

No asbestos, asbestos-containing products or other hazardous materials shall be used in this construction or in any tools, devices, clothing or equipment used to further this construction.

#### 15. TEMPORARY FACILITIES

The Contractor shall obtain permits for, install and maintain in safe condition all scaffolds, hoisting equipment, barricades, walkways, or other temporary structures that may be required to accomplish the work. Such structures shall be adequate for the intended use and capable of safely accepting all loads that may be imposed upon them. They shall be installed and maintained in accordance with all applicable codes and regulations.

#### 16. SIGNS

No signs may be displayed on or about the District's property (except those which may be required by law) without the District's prior written approval of size, content and location. Any signs required by the District will be designated in the Supplemental General Conditions.

17. TIME

- a. The Contractor shall commence the work on the date indicated in the Notice to Proceed. Time is of the essence regarding the Contract work, and the Contractor shall prosecute the work diligently and regularly at such a rate of progress as to ensure completion of this Project within, or sooner than, the time specified.
- b. The Contractor and Subcontractors shall provide and maintain enough manpower, materials and equipment to ensure a rate of construction progress that will complete the Project within or sooner than the time specified and according to the schedule of work. If, in the District's opinion, the Contractor and/or Subcontractors are not prosecuting the work at a sufficient rate of progress to meet the Project schedule, the District may direct the Contractor to provide additional manpower, materials or equipment, or to work additional hours, holidays or weekends without additional cost to the District until the work is progressing in a manner satisfactory to the District. Failure to prosecute the work in a timely manner according to the Project schedule is considered a breach of Contract and shall be cause for termination of the Contract.

18. CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- a. Within fifteen (15) calendar days after the award of the Contract, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Architect and District an as-planned construction schedule showing in detail how the Contractor plans to prosecute the work within the time set for Final Completion. The schedule shall include the work of all trades necessary for construction of the Project, and shall be sufficiently complete and comprehensive to enable progress to be monitored on a day-by-day basis. The information for each activity shall include at a minimum the activity description, duration, start date and completion date.
- b. The Contractor shall take care in the preparation of the schedule to ensure that it represents an accurate and efficient plan for accomplishing the work. If the Project is more than one week behind schedule, it must be promptly revised showing how the Contractor plans to complete the work, but in no case shall it show a completion date later than that required by the Contract, unless a time extension has been granted. The current schedule shall be kept posted in the Contractor's project office on site.

19. DELAYS AND TIME EXTENSIONS

- a. The Contractor may be granted a time extension if the Contractor encounters an unavoidable delay of the work due to causes completely beyond the Contractor's control and which the Contractor could not have avoided by the exercise of reasonable care, prudence, foresight and diligence. The Contractor will not be granted time extensions for weather conditions which are normal for the location of the Project, according to the U. S. Weather Bureau Records.

- b. A request for extension of time and compensation related thereto shall be made in writing to the Architect and District within ten (10) calendar days of the date the delay is encountered, or shall be deemed waived. The request shall include a detailed description of the reasons for the delay and corrective measures by the Contractor.
- c. No damages or compensation or any kind shall be paid to a Contractor because of delays in the progress of work, whether such delays be avoidable or unavoidable, that are not the responsibility of District. District's liability to Contractor for delays for which District is responsible shall be limited to an extension of time unless such delays were unreasonable under the circumstances involved and were not within the contemplation of the parties when the Contract was awarded. The District shall not be liable for any damages which the Contractor could have avoided by any reasonable means including, but not limited to, the more judicious handling of forces or equipment.

20. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- a. The parties understand and agree that the goodwill, educational process, and other business of District will be damaged if the Project is not completed within the time limits required. The parties have further agreed that the exact amount of damages for failure to complete the Work within the time specified is, in some cases, extremely difficult, impractical, or impossible to determine. As to those damages that are difficult, impractical, or impossible to determine, Should the Contractor fail to achieve Final Completion of this Contract within the time fixed for Final Completion, together with extensions granted by the District for unavoidable delays, Contractor shall become liable to the District in the amount specified in the Contract per calendar day for each day the Contract remains incomplete beyond the time for Final Completion, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty. Contractor shall not be charged with liquidated damages when the delay in completion of the work beyond the time for Final Completion is due to acts of the District.
- b. In addition to any liquidated damages which may be assessed, if Contractor fails to achieve Final Completion of this Contract within the time fixed for Final Completion, together with extensions granted by the District for unavoidable delays, and if as a result District finds it necessary to incur any costs and/or expenses, or if District receives any claims by other contractors, subcontractors, or third parties claiming time or other compensation by reason of Contractor's failure to complete work on time, Contractor shall pay all those costs and expenses incurred by District. These costs and expenses may include but are not limited to such items as rental payments, inspection fees, and additional architectural fees, whether related to the acquisition of facilities or caused by the delay in completion.
- c. Any money due or to become due the Contractor may be retained to cover liquidated and other delay damages. Should such money not be sufficient to cover those damages, the District shall have the right to recover the balance from the Contractor or Contractor's sureties.
- d. Should the District authorize suspension of the work for any cause, the time work is suspended will be added to the time for completion. Suspension of the work by the District

shall not be a waiver of the right to claim liquidated or other delay damages as set forth in this section.

21. DISTRICT'S RIGHT TO STOP WORK; TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF THE CONTRACT

a. District's Right to Stop Work:

In addition to or as an alternative to any and all other remedies available to the District, if the Contractor fails to correct work which is not performed in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if the Contractor persistently fails to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents, the District may by written order direct the Contractor to stop the work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated to the satisfaction of the District. However, the right of the District to stop the work shall not give rise to a duty on the part of the District to exercise this right for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity, and the failure of the District to do so shall not be raised as a defense to the Contractor's failure to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

b. Termination for Cause:

- 1) If the Contractor refuses or fails to furnish sufficient materials, work force, equipment, and appurtenances to properly prosecute the work in a timely manner, or if Contractor refuses or fails to comply with any provisions of the Contract Documents, or if Contractor should file a bankruptcy petition or make a general assignment for the benefit of Contractor's creditors or if a receiver should be appointed on account of Contractor's insolvency, then the District may give the Contractor written notice of intention to terminate the Contract. Unless within seven (7) calendar days after the serving of such notice upon the Contractor such violation shall cease and arrangements for correction of such conditions shall be made satisfactory to the District, the Contract shall cease and terminate. In the event of such termination, the District shall immediately serve written notice thereof upon the Contractor.

c. Termination or Suspension for Convenience:

The District reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate or suspend all or part of the Contract for convenience following three (3) days written notice to the Contractor. In the event of termination or suspension for convenience, Contractor shall have no claims against the District, except:

- 1) The actual cost of labor, materials and services provided pursuant to the Contract, and which have not yet been paid for, as documented by timesheets, invoices, receipts and the like; and

- 2) Five percent (5%) of the total cost of the work performed as of the date of notice of termination or suspension or five percent (5%) of the value of the work yet to be completed, whichever is less. The parties agree that this amount shall constitute full and fair compensation for all of Contractor's lost profits and other damages resulting from the termination or suspension for convenience.

22. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

The Contractor may not assign or delegate all or any portion of this Contract without the written consent of the District and no such consent shall be given which would relieve the Contractor of its responsibilities under the Contract. The Contractor may assign, without liability to the District, monies due the Contractor under the Contract to banks, trust companies or other financial institutions provided written notice thereof is promptly delivered to the District. Assignment of monies earned by the Contractor shall be subject to the same retention as other payments made to Contractor, and shall also be subject to setoffs and back charges as provided by this Contract.

23. COORDINATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTS

- a. The District reserves the right to do other work or award other contracts in connection with this Project. By entering into this Contract, Contractor acknowledges that there may be other contractors on or adjacent to the Project site whose work must be coordinated with that of its own. Contractor expressly warrants and agrees that it will cooperate with other contractors and will do nothing to delay, hinder, or interfere with the work of other contractors, or that of the District, its Architect and Construction Manager. Contractor also expressly agrees that in the event its work is hindered, delayed, interfered with, or otherwise affected by a separate contractor, its sole remedy will be a direct action against the separate contractor. To the extent allowed by law, the Contractor expressly waives any remedy against the District, its Architect and Construction Manager on account of delay, hindrance, interference or other such events caused by a separate contractor.
- b. If Contractor is aware of a current or potential conflict between Contractor's work and the work of another contractor on the site, and is unable to informally resolve the conflict directly with the other contractor, Contractor shall promptly provide written notice to the District, with a copy to the Architect and the other contractor, specifying the nature of the conflict, the date upon which the conflict arose, and the steps taken to attempt to resolve the conflict. The District may issue written instructions to address the conflict.
- c. If, through Contractor's negligence, any other contractor or subcontractor shall suffer loss or damage to the work, Contractor shall make a reasonable effort to settle with such other contractor and subcontractor by agreement or arbitration. If such other contractor or subcontractor shall assert any claim against the District or Architect, on account of any damage alleged to have been so sustained, the District or Architect shall notify the Contractor, who shall defend such proceedings at Contractor's own expense and save harmless and indemnify the District and the Architect from any such claim.

24. SUBMITTALS: SHOP DRAWINGS, CUTS AND SAMPLES

- a. Five (5) copies of shop drawings, brochures and cuts and samples in quantities specified by the Architect shall be submitted to the Architect for all items for which they are required by the plans and Specifications. Prior to transmittal, the Contractor shall examine all submittals for accuracy and completeness in order to verify their suitability for the work and compliance with the Contract Documents and shall sign and date each submittal. Submittals shall be made sufficiently before the items are required for the work so as to cause no delay and shall be in accordance with the Project construction schedule.

25. PAYMENTS

- a. Cost Breakdown:

Prior to submitting Contractor's first request for payment, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Architect and District a cost breakdown (schedule of values) showing the major work items for each trade or operation required in construction of the Project. The work items shall be sufficiently detailed to enable the Architect to accurately evaluate the completion percentages requested by the Contractor. The cost for each work item shall include overhead and profit. The total of all work item costs shall equal the amount of the Contract.

- b. Progress Payments:

The Contractor will, on or about the last day of each month, make an estimate of the value of the work completed by Contractor in the performance of the Contract. These estimates shall be subject to the review and approval of the Architect. The first such estimate will be of the value of the work completed after the Contractor commenced the performance of the Contract, and every subsequent estimate, except the final estimate, will be of the value of the work completed since the immediately preceding estimate. Such estimates will be based on labor, materials and equipment incorporated into the work, and items of materials and equipment delivered to the Project. The Contractor shall be responsible for the security and protection of such materials and equipment delivered to the Project and not incorporated in the work. Within thirty (30) calendar days after the approval of each estimate for progress payment, the District will pay to the Contractor an amount equal to ninety five (95) percent of the approved estimate. Payments may at any time be withheld if in the judgment of the District the work is not proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor is not complying with the requirements of the Contract, stop notices have been timely filed, the estimate contains an error, or the District has incurred costs or requests reasonable financial assurances regarding defective work by the Contractor.

- d. Final Payment:

Within thirty (30) days after all required work is fully completed in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall submit a final invoice for the total value of the work completed in accordance with the Contract, which shall be subject to review and



approval by the District. As required by law, District shall pay Contractor the unpaid balance of the Contract price of the work, or the whole Contract price of the work if no progress payment has been made, determined in accordance with the terms of the Contract, less such sums as may be lawfully retained under any provision of the Contract, including, but not limited to, amounts retained as liquidated damages, for stop notices, for third-party claims for which the Contractor is required to indemnify the District, for defective work and costs incurred by the District in connection therewith, or for other such claims and damages attributable to the Contractor (“Final Payment”). Prior progress estimates and payments are subject to correction in the Final Payment. Tender of the Final Payment shall constitute denial by the District of any unresolved claim. Contractor’s acceptance of the Final Payment shall operate as a full and final release to the District and its agents from any and all unasserted claims Contractor has, or may have, related to this Contract.

e. Payments Do Not Imply Acceptance of Work:

The granting of any progress payment or payments by the District or the receipt thereof by the Contractor shall not constitute acceptance of the work or of any portion thereof, and shall in no way lessen the liability of the Contractor to replace unsatisfactory work or material, whether or not the unsatisfactory character of such work or material was apparent or detected at the time such payment was made.

f. Release:

The Contractor and each assignee under an assignment in effect at the time of Final Payment shall, if required by the District, execute and deliver at the time of Final Payment and as a condition precedent to Final Payment, a release in form and substance satisfactory to and containing such exemptions as may be found appropriate by the District, discharging the District, its officers, agents and employees of and from liabilities, obligations and claims arising under this Contract.

h. Payment to Subcontractors and Suppliers:

The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor and supplier promptly on receipt of each progress payment from the District for the materials, labor and equipment delivered to the site or incorporated in the work by each Subcontractor during the period for which the progress payment is made, less any retention as provided above.

i. Stop Notice Costs:

The District reserves the right to charge the Contractor, or to withhold from release of retention, all costs incurred by the District, including attorney’s fees, for processing and defending stop notice claims.

26. MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACT

a. Changes In The Work:

- 1) The District, before the date of acceptance of the work, may, without notice to the Sureties, order changes in the work ("Modifications"), may order extra materials and extra work in connection with the performance of the Contract, and the Contractor shall promptly comply with such orders. All Modifications must be approved by DSA and the State Fire Marshall, if applicable, as required by law.
- 2) If changes ordered in design, workmanship or materials are of such a nature as to increase or decrease the cost of any part of the work, the price fixed in the Contract shall be increased or decreased by such amount as represents the reasonable and proper allowance for the increase or decrease in the cost of the work in accordance with the provisions of this Article, and any other applicable terms of the Contract, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's schedule of values and the price for allowances, if any. Except as provided by law, the total cost of all Modifications shall not exceed ten (10) percent of the original Contract price.
- 3) In the case of a disputed work item, the District may direct the Contractor to perform the disputed work at no additional cost to the District on the grounds that the work is adequately indicated in the Contract Documents, and therefore already included in the Contract price. If the Contractor maintains that the disputed work represents a modification to the Contract, Contractor may submit a claim in accordance with Article 39, Resolution of Construction Claims. Notwithstanding any dispute regarding the requirements of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall promptly and fully comply with the District's directive. Contractor's failure to do so shall be deemed a material breach of this Contract, and in addition to all other remedies, District may, at its sole discretion, hire another contractor and/or use its own forces to complete the disputed work at Contractor's sole expense, and may deduct the cost of such work from the Contract price.

b. Cost Breakdown:

When the Modification is proposed, the Contractor shall furnish a complete breakdown of actual costs of both credits and extras, itemizing materials, labor, taxes, overhead and profit using the Proposed Change Order Form. Subcontract work shall be so indicated. All costs must be fully documented. The following limitations shall apply:

1) Change Order Certification:

All change orders and requests for proposed change orders shall be deemed to include the following certification by the Contractor:

"The undersigned Contractor approves the foregoing as to the changes in work, if any, and as to the Contract price specified for each item and as to the extension of time allowed, if any, for completion of the Project as stated herein, and agrees to furnish all labor, materials, and service and to perform all work necessary to complete any additional work specified for the consideration stated herein. Submission of claims which have no basis in fact or which Contractor knows are false are made at the sole risk of the Contractor and may be a violation of the False Claims Act, as set forth in Government Code §§12650 *et seq.* It is understood that the changes to the Contract Documents set forth herein shall only be effective upon approval by the Governing Board of the District.

"It is expressly understood that the value of the extra work or changes expressly includes any and all of the Contractor's costs and expenses, both direct and indirect, resulting from additional time required on the Project or resulting from delay to the Project. Any costs, expenses, damages, or time extensions not included herein are deemed waived."

Oral Modifications:

No oral statements of any person shall in any manner or degree modify or otherwise affect the terms of the Contract.

27. INDEMNITY

Contractor shall defend with counsel acceptable to the District, indemnify and hold harmless to the full extent permitted by law, the District and its Board of Trustees, officers, agents, Architect, construction manager, employees and volunteers from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, claims, expenses, fines, judgments and costs (including, without limitation, attorney's fees and costs and fees of litigation) (collectively, "Liability") of every nature arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of the Project or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in these Contract Documents, except such Liability caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the District. Such indemnification shall extend to all claims, demands, or liabilities occurring after completion of the project as well as during the progress of the work. Pursuant to Public Contract Code §9201, District shall timely notify Contractor of receipt of any third-party claim relating to this Project.

28. WARRANTY OF TITLE

Contractor warrants that title to all work, materials or equipment included in a request for payment shall pass and transfer to the District whether or not they are installed or incorporated in the Project, free from any claims, liens or encumbrances, when such payment is made to the Contractor. Contractor further warrants that no such work, materials or equipment have been purchased for work under the Contract subject to an agreement by which an interest therein or an encumbrance thereon is retained by the seller or supplier.

29. GUARANTEE AND WARRANTY

- a. By signing this Contract, Contractor agrees to the following guarantee and warranty:

**Guarantee & Warranty**

Contractor hereby guarantees and warrants its work on the Project for a period of two (2) years from the date of the filing of the Notice of Completion as follows.

Contractor shall promptly repair or replace to the satisfaction of the District any or all work that appears defective in workmanship, equipment and/or materials for whatever reason, ordinary wear and tear and unusual abuse or neglect excepted, together with any other work which may be damaged or displaced in so doing.

Contractor agrees to promptly correct and remedy any failure by the Contractor to conform its work, activities and services to the requirements of the Contract Documents.

In the event of the Contractor's failure to comply with the above-mentioned obligations within ten (10) calendar days of notice, or sooner if required by an emergency, Contractor hereby authorizes the District to have the defects or deficiencies repaired, remedied, corrected and made good at Contractor's expense, and Contractor shall pay the costs and charges therefore upon demand.

30. SUBSTITUTIONS

- a. Wherever in the drawings or Specifications a material or product is called for by trade or brand names or manufacturer and model number, alternative items of equal quality and purpose may be proposed for use by the Contractor. The burden of proof of equality is on the Contractor, and Contractor shall furnish all information and supplies necessary for the Architect to make a thorough evaluation of the proposed substitution. The Architect's decision about the equality of the proposed substitution is final, and if the proposed substitution is not approved, the Contractor shall install the item called for. Proposed substitutions and any changes in adjacent work caused by them shall be made by the Contractor at no additional cost to the District.

- b. In the event Contractor makes substitutions in materials, equipment, or designs, with or without the District's approval, other than those authorized herein, the Contractor shall then assume full responsibility for the effects of such substitutions on the entire Project, including the design, and shall reimburse the District for any charges resulting from such substitutions, including any charges for modifications in the work of other trades, and including any charges for additional design and review, plus reasonable and customary mark-ups.

31. INSPECTION

- a. All materials, equipment and workmanship used in the work of the Project shall be subject to inspection or testing at all times and locations during construction and/or manufacture. Any material or work found to be unsatisfactory or not according to the Contract Documents shall be replaced with the correct material or work and the defective items promptly removed, all at the Contractor's expense, when directed to do so by any of the above-named persons having authority over the work. The cost of review time and analysis by the Architect or other District consultants necessitated by incomplete or defective work by the Contractor shall be charged to the Contractor.
- b. Inspection and testing by the District or its representatives shall not relieve the Contractor from complying with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Contractor is responsible for its own quality control.

32. CLEANUP

The Contractor shall maintain the premises and area of the work in a neat and clean condition. No burning of rubbish on site shall be allowed. The Contractor shall control dust on the site by sprinkling at whatever intervals are necessary to keep it laid down and shall take measures to prevent dust and debris from being accidentally transported outside the area of the work.

33. INSTRUCTIONS AND MANUALS

Three copies of the maintenance instructions, application/installation instructions and service manuals called for in the Specifications shall be provided by the Contractor.

34. AS-BUILT DRAWINGS

The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall maintain on the work site a separate complete set of contract drawings which will be used solely for the purpose of recording changes made in any portion of the work during the course of construction, regardless of the reason for the change. As changes occur, there will be included or marked on this record set on a daily basis if necessary to keep them up to date at all times. Progress payments may be delayed or withheld until such time as the record set is brought up to date to the satisfaction of the Architect. The Contractor shall verify that all changes in the work are included in the "AS-BUILT" drawings and deliver the complete set thereof to the Architect for review and approval within thirty (30) calendar days after District's notice

of completion. District's acceptance and approval of the "AS-BUILT" drawings are a necessary condition precedent to the release of the final retention.

35. SUBSTITUTION OF SECURITIES

- a. Pursuant to Public Contract Code §22300, Contractor may request in writing that it be allowed at its own expense to substitute securities for moneys withheld by District to ensure performance under this Contract. Only securities listed in Government Code §16430 and 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 Contractor and District shall qualify under this Article. Securities equivalent to the amount withheld shall be deposited with the District or with a state or federally chartered bank in California as the escrow agent. Upon satisfactory completion of the Contract and on written authorization by the District, the securities shall be returned to Contractor. Contractor shall be the beneficial owner of the securities and shall receive any interest thereon. The Contractor may alternatively request District to make payment of retentions earned directly to the escrow agent at the expense of the Contractor.
- b. At the expense of the Contractor, the Contractor may direct the investment of the payments into securities and the Contractor shall receive the interest earned on the investments upon the same terms provided for above for securities deposited by Contractor. Upon satisfactory completion of the Contract, Contractor shall receive from the escrow agent all securities, interest, and payments received by the escrow agent from the District. The Contractor shall pay to each Subcontractor, not later than 20 days of receipt of payment, the respective amount of interest earned, net of costs attributed to retention withheld from each Subcontractor, on the amount of retention.
- c. Any escrow agreement entered into pursuant to this Article shall comply with Public Contract Code §22300 and shall be subject to approval by District's counsel.

36. LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with the Labor Code as it pertains to this project. In accordance with Labor Code §1810, eight (8) hours of labor shall constitute a legal day's work under this Contract. Contractor and any Subcontractor shall pay workers overtime pay as required by Labor Code §1815. The Contractor shall pay each worker, laborer, mechanic or persons performing work under this Contract at a rate not less than the prevailing wage for each craft or classification covering the work actually performed.

Contractor shall comply with Labor Code §§1773.3, 1777.5 and 1777.6, and 3077 *et. seq.* with regard to apprentices, each of which is incorporated by reference into this Contract. .

As required by Labor Code §1773.2, the District has available copies of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for workers employed on public work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, which shall be available to any interested party on request. Contractor shall post a copy of the document at each job site.

The Contractor and each Subcontractor shall pay each worker performing work under this Contract at a rate not less than the prevailing wage as defined in Labor Code §1771 and 1774 and §16000(a) of Title 8, California Code of Regulations.

The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of §§1776 and 1812 of the Labor Code. The Contractor and each Subcontractor shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record showing the names, addresses, social security numbers, work classifications, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week of all workers employed by Contractor in connection with the execution of this Contract or any subcontract thereunder and showing the actual per diem wages paid to each of such workers.

37. PROJECT COMPLETION

- a. When all of the work to be performed under this Contract has been fully completed, the Contractor shall notify the Architect and District, in writing, setting a date for inspection. The Contractor and Subcontractor representatives shall attend the inspection. As a result of this inspection, the Architect will prepare a list of items ("punch list") that are incomplete or not installed according to the Contract Documents. Failure to include items on this list does not relieve the Contractor from fulfilling all requirements of the Contract Documents.
- b. The Architect will promptly deliver the punch list to the Contractor and it will include a period of time by which the Contractor shall complete all items listed thereon. On completion of all items on the punch list, verified by a final inspection, and all other Contract requirements, so that Final Completion has been achieved to the District's satisfaction, the District will file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder. Payment of retention from the Contract, less any sums withheld pursuant to the terms of this Contract or applicable law, shall not be made sooner than thirty-five (35) calendar days after the date of filing of Notice of Completion.
- c. District reserves the right to occupy buildings and/or portions of the site at any time before Completion, and occupancy shall not constitute final acceptance of any part of the Work covered by the Contract Documents, nor shall such occupancy extend the date specified for completion of the Work. Beneficial occupancy of building(s) does not commence any warranty period or entitle Contractor to any additional compensation due to such occupancy, or affect in any way or amount Contractor's obligation to pay liquidated damages for failure to complete the Project on time.

38. TRENCHING OR OTHER EXCAVATIONS

- a. Excavations or Trenches Deeper than Four Feet:

If the Project involves digging trenches or other excavations that extend deeper than four feet, the following provisions shall be a part of this Contract:

- 1) The Contractor shall promptly, and before the following conditions are disturbed, provide written notice to the District if the Contractor finds any of the following conditions:
  - (a) Material that the Contractor believes may be a hazardous waste, as defined in §25117 of the Health and Safety Code, which is required to be removed to a Class I, Class II, or Class III disposal site in accordance with the provisions of existing law.
  - (b) Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site which are different from those indicated or expected.
  - (c) Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature or which are materially different from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work which the Contractor generally performs.
- 2) In the event that the Contractor notifies the District that Contractor has found any of the conditions specified in subparagraphs (a), (b) or (c), above, the District shall promptly investigate the condition(s). If the District finds that the conditions are materially different or that a hazardous waste is present at the site which will affect the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of the Contract, the District shall issue a change order in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Contract.
- 3) In the event that a dispute arises between the District and the Contractor regarding any of the matters specified in Paragraph (2), above, the Contractor shall proceed with all work to be performed under the Contract and the Contractor shall not be excused from completing the Project as provided in the Contract. In performing the work pursuant to this Paragraph, the Contractor retains all rights provided by Article 39 which pertains to the resolution of disputes between the contracting parties.
- b. Regional Notification Center: The Contractor, except in an emergency, shall contact the appropriate regional notification center at least two (2) days prior to commencing any excavation if the excavation will be conducted in an area that is known, or reasonably should be known, to contain subsurface installations other than the underground facilities owned or operated by the District, and obtain an inquiry identification number from that notification center.
- c. Existing Utility Lines:
  - 1) Pursuant to Government Code §4215, the District assumes the responsibility for removal, relocation, and protection of main or trunk utility lines and facilities located



on the construction site at the time of commencement of construction under this Contract with respect to any such utility facilities that are not identified in the plans and Specifications.

- 2) Locations of existing utilities provided by the District shall not be considered exact, but approximate within reasonable margin and shall not relieve Contractor of responsibilities to exercise reasonable care or costs of repair due to Contractor's failure to do so.
- 3) No provision herein shall be construed to preclude assessment against Contractor for any other delays in completion of the Project. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to require the District to indicate the presence of existing service laterals, appurtenances, or other utility lines, with the exception of main or trunklines, whenever the presence of such utilities on the site of the construction Project can be inferred from the presence of other visible facilities, such as buildings, meter and junction boxes, on or adjacent to the site of the construction.
- 4) If Contractor, while performing work under this Contract, discovers utility facilities not identified by the District in the Project plans and Specifications, Contractor shall immediately notify the District and the utility in writing. The cost of repair for damage to above-mentioned visible facilities without prior written notification to the District shall be borne by the Contractor.

d. Trenches Five Feet and Deeper:

Pursuant to Labor Code §6705, if the Contract price exceeds \$25,000 and involves the excavation of any trench or trenches five (5) feet or more in depth, the Contractor shall, in advance of excavation, promptly submit to the District and/or a registered civil or structural engineer employed by the District or Architect, a detailed plan showing the design of shoring for protection from the hazard of caving ground during the excavation of such trench or trenches.

39. RESOLUTION OF CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS

- a. Public work claims of \$375,000 or less between the Contractor and the District are subject to the provisions of Article 1.5 (commencing with §20104) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Public Contract Code ("Article 1.5 claim"). For purposes of Article 1.5, "public work" has the same meaning as set forth in §§3100 and 3106 of the Civil Code; "claims" means a separate demand by Contractor for a time extension or payment of money or damages arising from work done by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to the Contract and payment of which is not otherwise expressly provided for or the claimant is not otherwise entitled to or the amount of the payment which is disputed by the District.
- b. All Article 1.5 claims shall be submitted on or before the date of the Final Payment and shall include all documents necessary to substantiate the claim. District shall respond in writing

within 45 days of receipt of claim if the claim is less than or equal to \$50,000 ("50,000 claim") or within 60 days if the claim is over \$50,000 but less than or equal to \$375,000 ("50,000 - \$375,000 claim"). In either case, District may request in writing within 30 days of receipt of claim any additional documentation supporting the claim or relating to any defenses to the claim which the District may have against the Contractor. Any additional information shall be requested and provided upon mutual agreement of the District and the Contractor. District's written response to the claim shall be submitted to Contractor within 15 days after receipt of the further documentation for \$50,000 claims or within 30 days after receipt of the further documentation for \$50,000 - \$375,000 claims or within a period of time no greater than that taken by the Contractor in producing the additional information, whichever is greater.

- c. Within 15 days of receipt of the District's response, if Contractor disputes the District's written response, or within 15 days of the District's failure to respond within the time prescribed, the Contractor shall provide written notification to District demanding an informal conference to meet and confer ("conference") to be scheduled by District within 30 days. Following the conference, if any claim or portion remains in dispute, the Contractor may file a claim as provided in Chapter 1 (commencing with §900) and Chapter 2 (commencing with §910) of Part 3 of Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code. For purposes of those provisions, the period of time within which a claim must be filed is tolled from the time the claimant submits a written claim pursuant to this section until the time that claim is denied as a result of the conference process, including any period of time utilized by the meet and confer process.
- d. Pursuant to Public Contract Code §20104.2(f), this section does not apply to tort claims and does not change the period for filing claims or actions specified by Chapter 1 (commencing with §900) and Chapter 2 (commencing with §910) of Part 3 of Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code.
- e. If a civil action is filed, within 60 days, but no earlier than 30 days, following the filing of responsive pleadings, the court shall submit the matter to nonbinding mediation unless waived by mutual stipulation of both parties. The mediation process shall provide that both parties select a disinterested third person mediator within 15 days, shall be commenced within 30 days of the submittal, and shall be concluded within 15 days of the commencement of the mediation unless time is extended upon a good cause showing to the court or by stipulation of the parties. If the parties fail to select a mediator within the 15-day period, any party may petition the court to appoint the mediator.
- f. If the matter remains in dispute, the case shall be submitted to judicial arbitration as set forth in Public Contract Code §§20104.4 (b)(1) through (b)(3).
- g. For any claim in excess of \$375,000, the Contractor and the District shall follow the same process as for an Article 1.5 claim. The District will forward a response within 60 days of submittal of any such claim. Judicial arbitration is not required for claims in excess of \$375,000.

- h. In addition, for all unresolved claims that the Contractor wishes to pursue, the Contractor shall file a timely claim pursuant to the Government Claims Act and shall otherwise comply with the procedures set forth in that Act prior to commencing any litigation against the District. The accrual date for any such claim is the date the dispute or controversy first arose regarding the issues raised in the claim.
- i. “The date of Final Payment,” as used in this Article 39, means the date the public entity is required to release retention proceeds in accordance with Public Contract Code §7107 regardless of whether any payment is made to the Contractor at that time.
- j. The claims required by this Article are jurisdictional and conditions precedent to the commencement of any further legal proceedings. Strict compliance with all filing deadlines is mandatory.

40. 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.

41. PREVAILING WAGE MONITORING.

This project is subject to prevailing wage requirements and Contractor and its subcontractors are required to pay all workers employed for the performance of this project no less than the applicable prevailing wage rate for each such worker. If this project is for a public works project over \$25,000 or for a maintenance project over \$15,000, bidder acknowledges that the project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations in accordance with California Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1770 *et seq.*

42. DISABLED VETERANS PARTICIPATION GOALS.

This Project has a participation goal for Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (“DVBE”) of at least three percent (3%) of the overall dollar amount of state funds allocated to the District pursuant to the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998, and expended each year by the District, in accordance with Education Code section 17076.11. At the time of execution of this contract, the Contractor will provide a statement to the District of anticipated participation of Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises. Prior to, and as a condition precedent for final payment under this contract, the Contractor will provide appropriate documentation to the District identifying the amount paid to Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises pursuant to the contract, so that the District can assess its success at meeting this goal.

43. GENERAL PROVISIONS

a. Assignment and Successors:

Neither party may transfer or assign its rights or obligations under the Contract Documents, in part or in whole, without the other party's prior written consent. The Contract Documents are binding on the successors, and permitted assigns of the parties hereto.

b. Third Party Beneficiaries:

There are no intended third party beneficiaries to the Contract.

c. Choice of Law and Venue

The Contract Documents shall be governed by California law, and venue shall be in the Superior Court of the county in which the project is located, and no other place.

d. Severability

If any provision of the Contract Documents is determined to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, in part or in whole, the remaining provisions, or portions of the Contract Documents shall remain in full force and effect.

e. Entire Agreement

The Contract Documents constitute the final, complete, and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the parties regarding the subject matter of the Contract Documents and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings or agreements of the parties.

f. Waiver

No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of the Contract Documents shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right, or remedy.

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## PERFORMANCE BOND

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the \_\_\_\_\_ District (“District”), at its meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, has awarded to \_\_\_\_\_ (“Principal”), the Contract for performance of the following project (“Project”):

WHEREAS, the Principal is required under the terms of the Contract to furnish a bond to the District as obligee ensuring its full and faithful performance of the Contract Documents, which are fully incorporated herein by this reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Principal and \_\_\_\_\_, as Surety, hereby guarantee the Principal’s full, faithful and complete performance of the Contract Document requirements in the penal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) for the payment of which sum will and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and successors, jointly, severally, and firmly by this agreement to perform or have performed all of the work and activities required to complete the Project pursuant to the Contract Documents and to pay to the District all damages the District incurs as a result of the Principal’s failure to fully perform in accordance with the Contract Documents.

The condition of the obligation is such that if the Principal, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns shall in all things abide by, and well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions and agreements in the Contract Documents and any amendment thereof made as therein provided, on its or their parts to be kept and performed at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their true intent and meaning, and shall insure and indemnify and save harmless the District, its officers and agents, as therein stipulated, then this obligation shall become null and void. Otherwise, it shall be and remain in full force and effect.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the Contract Documents shall in any way affect its obligations on this bond and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition.

Principal and Surety further agree to pay all costs incurred by the District in connection with enforcement of this bond, including, but not limited to the District’s reasonable attorney’s fees and costs incurred, with or without suit, in addition to any other sum required by this bond. Surety further agrees that death, dissolution, or bankruptcy of the Principal shall not relieve the Surety of its obligations hereunder.

In witness whereof, this instrument, has been duly executed by the Principal and Surety on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

*To be signed by  
Principal and Surety  
and acknowledgment  
and notarial seal to  
be attached.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINCIPAL

By: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
SURETY

By: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

The above bond is accepted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized District Signature

## PAYMENT BOND

WHEREAS, \_\_\_\_\_ the  
\_\_\_\_\_ District (“District”) and the Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_ (“Principal”) have  
entered into a contract (“Contract”) for the furnishing of all materials, labor, services, equipment,  
tools, supervision and transportation necessary, convenient and proper for the \_\_\_\_\_ project  
 (“Project”) which Contract dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_\_, and all of the Contract Documents made part  
thereof are fully incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, Contractor/Principal is required by Division 4, Part 6, Title 3, Chapter 5 (commencing  
at Section 9550) of the California Civil Code to furnish a bond in connection with the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Contractor/Principal and \_\_\_\_\_ as Surety, are held firmly bound  
unto Owner in the penal sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_), lawful money of the United  
States of America for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our  
heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these  
presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Contractor/Principal, his/her or its  
heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, or a subcontractor, shall fail to pay any person  
or persons named in Civil Code Section 9100 or fail to pay for any materials or other supplies used  
in, upon, for, or about the performance of the work contracted to be done, or for any work or labor  
thereon of any kind, or for amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Code with respect to  
work or labor thereon of any kind, or shall fail to deduct, withhold, and pay over to the Employment  
Development Department any amounts required to be deducted, withheld, and paid over by Section  
13020 of the Unemployment Insurance Code with respect to work and labor thereon of any kind, then  
said Surety will pay for the same, in or to an amount not exceeding the amount set forth above, and  
in case suit is brought upon this bond Surety will also pay such reasonable attorney's fees as shall be  
fixed by the court, awarded and taxed as provided in Division 4, Part 6, Title 3, Chapter 5  
(commencing at Section 9550) of the California Civil Code.

This bond shall inure to the benefit of any of the persons named in Section 9100 of the California  
Civil Code so as to give a right of action to such person or their assigns in any suit brought upon this  
bond.

It is further stipulated and agreed that the Surety of this bond shall not be exonerated or released from  
the obligation of the bond by any change, extension of time for performance, addition, alteration, or  
modification in, to, or of any contract, plans, specifications, or agreement pertaining or relating to any  
scheme or work of improvement described above or pertaining or relating to the furnishing of labor,  
materials, or equipment therefor, nor by any change or modification of any terms of payment or  
extension of the time for any payment pertaining or relating to any scheme or work of improvement  
described above, nor by any rescission or attempted rescission of the contract, agreement, or bond,  
nor by any conditions precedent or subsequent in the bond attempting to limit the right of recovery of  
claimants otherwise entitled to recover under any such contract or agreement or under the bond, nor

by any fraud practiced by any person other than the claimant seeking to recover on the bond, and that this bond be construed most strongly against the Surety and in favor of all persons for whose benefit such bond is given, and under no circumstances shall Surety be released from liability to those for whose benefit such bond has been given, by reason of any breach of contract between the Owner and original contractor or on the part of any obligee named in such bond, but the sole conditions of recovery shall be that claimant is a person described in Section 8400 and 8402 of the California Civil Code and has not been paid the full amount of his/her or its claim and that Surety does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, addition, alteration, or modification.

In witness whereof, this instrument has been duly executed by the Principal and Surety this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

*To be signed by  
Principal and Surety  
and acknowledgment  
and notarial seal to  
be attached.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINCIPAL

By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
SURETY

By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

The above bond is accepted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized District Signature



## FORMAT FOR PROPOSED CHANGE ORDERS

Line	Item	Amount (\$) (+/-)
<b>1</b>	<b>Direct Labor and allowable Fringe Benefit Costs (1A and 1B):</b> Attach applicable supporting documentation with itemized breakdowns of Total Basic Labor / Total Basic Fringe Benefits for each trade classification.  <b>1A.</b> Total Basic Labor, per applicable DIR Published Determination(s) \$ _____  <b>1B.</b> Total Basic Fringe Benefits, per applicable DIR Published Determination(s) \$ _____	
	Line 1 ► <b><u>Subtotal of Lines: 1A + 1B =</u></b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Materials:</b> Attach itemized quantity and unit cost plus sales tax and invoice(s) from vendor(s).	
<b>3</b>	<b>Equipment:</b> Attach invoice(s) from supplier(s).	
<b>4</b>	Line 4 ► <b><u>Subtotal of Lines: 1 + 2 + 3 =</u></b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Markup on Self-Performed Work - <u>Single mark-up not-to-exceed 10% of Line 4. (Applies to Contractor or Sub, regardless of tier)</u></b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Prime Contractor or First Tier Sub Markup on Lower-Tier Subcontractor(s) Work- <u>not-to-exceed 5% of Line 4.</u></b>	
<b>7</b>	Line 7 ► <b><u>Subtotal of Lines: 4 + 5 + 6 =</u></b>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Markup for Labor Burden on Direct Labor Costs (payroll taxes and premiums), <u>not-to-exceed 25% of Line 1A</u>, absent supporting documentation. (FICA, FUTA, SUTA, WC, etc.)</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Bonds &amp; Insurance for Prime/General Contractor Only, Applied only to Line 4 (Max 2%):</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>TOTAL ► <u>Subtotal of Lines: 7 + 8 + 9 =</u></b>	

➤ **LINE 1A**      **Basic/Direct Labor**

➤ **LINE 1B**      **Fringe Benefits**

- Labor breakdown by trade classification, basic hourly rate and employer payments (e.g., fringe benefits) as published by the DIR, and estimated hours. Labor costs shall only include fringe

benefits indicated by governing trade organizations. Wages shall not exceed current prevailing wages in the locality for performance of the changes.

### **Maximum Allowable Labor Burden.**

- The allowable labor burden ("Labor Burden") on changes shall be defined as including only (i) Contractor's net actual cost of payroll taxes (including FICA, Medicare, SUTA, FUTA) and (ii) Contractor's net actual cost for worker's compensation insurance (taking into consideration, without limitation, adjustments for experience modifiers, premium discounts, dividends, rebates, expense constants, assigned risk pool costs, net cost reductions due to policies with deductibles for self-insured losses, assigned risk rebates, etc.).

- With respect to pricing Labor Burden of PCOs and Change Orders, District has established a maximum allowable amount of twenty-five percent (25%) of the Labor Burden associated with the work of the change as a reasonable percentage to be used for pricing PCOs and Change Orders. However, the percentage-amount of Labor Burden allowed for the work of a change may be examined and adjusted by District, in its sole discretion, if documentation justifiably establishes the percentage-amount should be so adjusted; in no event shall the percentage-amount applied to a PCO or Change Order exceed thirty percent (30%).

➤ **LINE 2**      **Material.**

- Material quantities, and types of products, and transportation costs, if applicable.

➤ **LINE 3**      **Equipment.** Equipment breakdown by make, type, size, rental rates, equipment hours and transportation costs, if applicable.

- The equipment costs shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the Association of Equipment Distributors (AED) rental rates or Caltrans rates, whichever is less. Hourly, daily, weekly, or monthly rates shall be used, whichever is lower. Hourly rates including operator shall not be used.

- The actual time to be paid for equipment shall be the time that the equipment is in productive operation on the Work under Contract Modification. In computing the hourly rental of equipment, any time less than thirty (30) minutes shall be considered one-half (1/2) hour. No payment will be made for time while equipment is inoperative due to breakdown, or for non-workdays. In addition, the rental time shall not include the time required to move the equipment to and from the project site. No mobilization or demobilization will be allowed for equipment already on site. If such equipment is not moved by its own power, then loading and transportation costs will be paid in lieu of rental time thereof. However, neither moving time nor loading and transportation costs will be paid if the equipment is used on the Project Site in any other way than upon the work directly related to the Contract Modification.

- Individual pieces of equipment having a replacement value of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or less shall be considered to be small tools or small equipment, and no payment will be made since the costs of these tools and equipment is included as part of the markup for overhead and

profit defined herein.

- Payment to the Contractor for the use of equipment as set forth above shall constitute full compensation to the Contractor for the cost of fuel, power, oil, lubricants, supplies, small equipment, necessary attachments, repairs and maintenance of any kind, depreciation, storage, insurance, labor (except for equipment operators), and any and all costs to the Contractor incidental to the use of the equipment.

- Should Contractor, or any of its owners, officers, directors or agents, hold any ownership interest in any company, organization, association or corporation from whom rental equipment is secured. Contractor shall immediately notify District of such and the price set for any such rental shall be agreed upon in advance by the Contractor and the District.

- **LINE 5 Maximum Allowable Markup on Self-Performed Work.** With respect to pricing the portion of PCOs and Change Orders involving self-performed work, the maximum markup percentage fee to be paid for self-performed work by Contractor or its Subcontractor (regardless of tier) for a change shall be a single markup percentage not-to-exceed ten percent (10%) of the net direct cost of the sum of: (i) direct labor and allowable fringe benefit costs (Format for Proposed Change, Lines 1A + 1B); (ii) the net cost of material and installed equipment incorporated into the change or extra work And (iii) net rental cost of major equipment and related fuel costs necessary to complete the change in the work.

- **LINE 6 Maximum Allowable Markup on Lower-Tier Subcontractor(s)-Performed Work.** With respect to pricing the portion of PCOs and Change Orders involving work performed by lower-tier Subcontractors, the maximum markup percentage fee allowable to the Contractor or Subcontractor supervising the lower-tier Subcontractor's work for a change shall be a single markup percentage not-to-exceed five percent (5%) of the net of all approved work of a Change Order performed by all Subcontractors combined on any particular PCO or Change Order.

- **Markup for Overhead and Profit.** Markup allowed for changes in work is inclusive of and shall be used to compensate Contractor for overhead and profit for all costs for all administration, general conditions, and supervision, including, without limitation:

- All field, field office and home office personnel including, but not limited to, principals, project managers, superintendents, supervisory foremen, estimators, project engineers, detailers, draftsmen, schedulers, consultants, watchmen, payroll clerks, administrative assistants, labor compliance costs and secretaries.

- All field, field office and home office expenses including, but not limited to, field trailers, parking, storage sheds, office equipment and supplies, telephone service and long distance telephone calls, fax machines, temporary utilities, sanitary facilities and services, janitorial services, small tools and equipment with a cost under \$1000 each, portable scaffolding, blocking, shores, appliances, job vehicles, security and fencing, conformance to regulatory requirements including compliance to safety regulations, safety programs and meetings, cartage, warranties, As-Built Drawings, as well as any related maintenance costs.

- Administrative functions such as, but not limited to, reviewing, coordinating, distributing, processing, posting, recording, estimating, negotiating, expediting, engineering, drawing, detailing, revising shop drawings, carting, cleaning, protecting the work, and other incidental Work related to the change.

- All other costs and taxes required to be paid, but not included under direct costs as defined above including, without limitation, payroll taxes, social security, etc.

➤ **LINE 8**      **Maximum Allowable Labor Burden on Basic Labor LINE 1A.**

- The allowable labor burden (“Labor Burden”) on changes shall be defined as including only (i) Contractor's net actual cost of payroll taxes (including FICA, Medicare, SUTA, FUTA) and (ii) Contractor’s net actual cost for worker's compensation insurance (taking into consideration, without limitation, adjustments for experience modifiers, premium discounts, dividends, rebates, expense constants, assigned risk pool costs, net cost reductions due to policies with deductibles for self-insured losses, assigned risk rebates, etc.).

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➤ **LINE 9**      **Contractor’s Additional Bonds and Insurance, if any.** All costs for Contractor’s additional bonds and insurance, if any applicable to the change. Contractor shall not include any markup for these costs. The maximum allowable percentage for bonds and insurance for a change shall not exceed two percent (2%) of the direct labor and allowable fringe benefit costs (Format for Proposed Change, Lines 1A + 1B).

➤ **Taxes.** Federal excise tax shall not be included. District will issue an exemption on request.

➤ **Time.** Justification for any adjustment in Contract Time including a schedule analysis identifying critical schedule activities delayed by the request.