

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021 between Quad-Tex Construction, hereinafter called the “Contractor,” and the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, hereinafter called the “Owner.” Capitalized terms used in this Agreement, unless otherwise defined herein, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Owner’s current Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions (UGSC).

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

**ARTICLE I  
SCOPE OF WORK**

The Contractor shall furnish all the materials and perform all the Work called for in the Contract Documents entitled: RELLIS Runway 35R Rehabilitation  
Prepared by: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

**ARTICLE II  
TIME OF COMPLETION**

The Contractor shall begin Work on the date indicated in the Notice to Proceed to be issued by the Owner. The Work to be performed under the Contract shall be substantially completed by **425 consecutive calendar days** plus any extended days approved by the Owner, in accordance with the UGSC, and shall be fully and finally completed within thirty (30) days thereafter. For each consecutive calendar day after the date of Substantial Completion, plus any extensions of time granted by Change Order, that the Work is not substantially completed, Contractor shall pay to Owner liquidated damages in accordance with the UGSC.

**ARTICLE III  
THE CONTRACT SUM**

The Owner shall pay the Contractor for the performance of the Contract, subject to additions and deductions provided therein, the sum of Four Million, Sixty-Six Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$4,066,000.00).

**Contract Award Amount**

Base Bid	\$ 2,510,000.00	365 Days
Alternate No. 1	\$ 174,000.00	0 Days
Alternate No. 2	\$ 262,000.00	0 Days
Alternate No. 3	\$ 624,000.00	30 Days
Alternate No. 4	\$ 172,000.00	30 Days
Alternate No. 5	\$ 227,000.00	0 Days
Alternate No. 6	\$ 97,000.00	0 Days
<b>Total Contract</b>	<b>\$ 4,066,000.00</b>	<b>425 Days</b>

## **ARTICLE IV PROGRESS PAYMENTS**

The Owner shall make periodic payments as approved by the Owner in accordance with the UGSC.

## **ARTICLE V ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT**

Final payment shall be made after final acceptance of the Work, provided the Work is fully completed and the Contract fully performed as provided in the UGSC.

## **ARTICLE VI LIENS**

No mechanic, contractor, subcontractor, supplier or other person can or will contract for or in any manner have or acquire any lien upon the buildings or works covered by the Contract, or the land upon which the same is situated.

## **ARTICLE VII THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

The UGSC, the Special Conditions, the Specifications, the Drawings, the Addenda issued prior to this Agreement, the Change Orders issued after this Agreement, the Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Subcontracting Plan, this Agreement, and, to the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing documents, the Contractor's Technical Proposal (including any unit prices stated therein), form the Contract Documents. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, between the Contractor and the Owner and shall constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the Project. This Agreement and each of its provisions shall be binding upon the parties and may not be waived, modified, amended or altered except by a writing signed by authorized representatives of the Owner and the Contractor.

## **ARTICLE VIII MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

Assignment. This Agreement is a personal service contract for the services of Contractor, and Contractor's interest in this Agreement, its duties and/or the fees due to Contractor may not be assigned or delegated to a third party.

Child Support Certification. A child support obligor who is more than 30 days delinquent in paying child support and a business entity in which obligor is a sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or Owner with an Ownership interest of at least 25 percent is not eligible to receive payments from state funds under a contract to provide property, materials, or services until all arrearages have been paid or the obligor is in compliance with a written repayment agreement or court order as to any existing delinquency. The Family Code requires the following statement:

“Under Section 231.006, Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.”

Eligibility Certification. A state agency may not accept a bid or award a contract that includes proposed financial participation by a person who received compensation from the agency to participate in preparing the specifications or request for proposals on which the bid or contract is based. The Government Code requires the following statement: “Under Section 2155.004, Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.”

Franchise Tax Certification. If Contractor is a taxable entity subject to the Texas Franchise Tax (Chapter 171, *Texas Tax Code*), then Contractor certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes or that Contractor is exempt from the payment of franchise taxes.

Payment of Debt or Delinquency to the State. Pursuant to Section 2252.903, *Texas Government Code*, Contractor agrees that any payments owing to Contractor under this Agreement may be applied directly toward any debt or delinquency that Contractor owes the State of Texas or any agency of the State of Texas regardless of when it arises, until such debt or delinquency is paid in full. "Debt or delinquency" means a debt, tax delinquency, student loan delinquency, or child support delinquency that results in a payment law prohibiting the comptroller from issuing a warrant or initiating an electronic funds transfer.

Entire Agreement; Modifications. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, between Contractor and Owner and shall constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the Project. This Agreement and each of its provisions shall be binding upon the parties and may not be waived, modified, amended or altered except by a writing signed by Contractor and Owner.

Captions. The captions of paragraphs in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be considered or referred to in resolving questions of interpretation or construction.

Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement is construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and is performable in the country in which the Project is located; however, mandatory venue for all legal proceedings against Owner is to be in the county in which the primary office of the chief executive officer is located.

Waivers. No delay or omission by either party in exercising any right or power arising from non-compliance or failure of performance by the other party with any of the provisions of this Agreement shall impair or constitute a waiver of any such right or power. A waiver by either party of any covenant or condition of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of that or of any other covenant or condition of this Agreement.

Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective permitted assigns and successors.

Records Availability and Retention. Records of Contractor's costs, reimbursable expenses pertaining to the Project and payments shall be available to Owner or its authorized representative during business hours and shall be retained for four (4) years after final Payment or abandonment of the Project, unless Owner otherwise instructs Contractor in writing.

Severability. Should any term or provision of this Agreement be held invalid or unenforceable in any respect, the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected and this Agreement shall be construed as if the invalid or unenforceable term or provision had never been included.

Illegal Dumping. Contractor shall ensure that it and all of its Subcontractors and assigns prevent illegal dumping of litter in accordance with Title 5, *Texas Health and Safety Code*, Chapter 365.

Notices. All notices, consents, approvals, demands, requests or other communications relied on by the parties shall be in writing. Written notice shall be deemed to have been given when delivered in person to the designated representative of Contractor or Owner for whom it is intended; or sent by U.S. Mail to the last known business address of the designated representative; or transmitted by fax machine to the last known business fax number of the designated representative. Mail notices are deemed effective upon receipt or on the third business day after the date of mailing, whichever is sooner. Fax notices are deemed effective the next business day after faxing. Such notices of claims or disputes or other legal notices required by this Agreement shall be sent to the persons and at the locations set forth below.

Names and Addresses for Notices:

If to Owner:

Billy C. Hamilton, Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer  
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction  
The Texas A&M University System  
301 Tarrow Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
College Station, Texas 77840-7896

With Copies to:

Brett McCully, Chief Facilities Officer  
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction  
The Texas A&M University System  
301 Tarrow Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
College Station, Texas 77840-7896

Bruce Karr, Area Manager Engineering  
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction  
The Texas A&M University System  
301 Tarrow Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
College Station, Texas 77840-7896

If to Contractor:

Doug Chmelar  
Quad-Tex Construction  
3600 Park Meadow Ln  
Bryan, Texas 77802

The parties may make reasonable changes in the person or place designated for receipt of notices upon advance written notice to the other party.

Party Representatives

The Owner's Designated Representative authorized to act in the Owner's behalf with respect to the Project is:

Bruce Karr, Area Manager Engineering  
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction  
The Texas A&M University System  
301 Tarrow Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
College Station, Texas 77840-7896

The Contractor's designated representative authorized to act on the Contractor's behalf and bind the Contractor with respect to the Project is:

Doug Chmelar  
Quad-Tex Construction  
3600 Park Meadow Ln  
Bryan, Texas 77802

The parties may make reasonable changes in their designated representatives upon advance written notice to the other party and in accordance with Paragraph 22.15.

Public Information. Contractor acknowledges that Owner is obligated to strictly comply with the Public Information Act, Chapter 552, *Texas Government Code*, in responding to any request for public information pertaining to this Agreement, as well as any other disclosure of information required by applicable Texas law.

Upon Owner's written request, Contractor will provide specified public information exchanged or created under this Agreement for or on behalf of A&M System to Owner in a non-proprietary format acceptable to Owner.

Contractor acknowledges that Owner [may be](#) required to post a copy of the fully executed Agreement on its Internet website in compliance with Section 2261.253(a)(1), *Texas Government Code*.

Contractor certifies that the requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, and *Texas Government Code*, (added by SB 943 during the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session) may apply to this RFQ and resultant agreement and the Respondent agrees that the resultant agreement can be terminated if the Respondent knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

Contractor Certification regarding Boycotting Israel. Contractor acknowledges that Owner is obligated to comply with Chapter 2270, *Texas Government Code*. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies it does not and will not, during the performance of this Agreement, boycott Israel. Contractor acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated if this certification is inaccurate.

Contractor Certification regarding Business with Certain Countries and Organizations. Contractor acknowledges that Owner is obligated to comply with Subchapter F, Chapter 2252, *Texas Government Code*. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies it is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization. Contractor acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated if this certification is inaccurate.

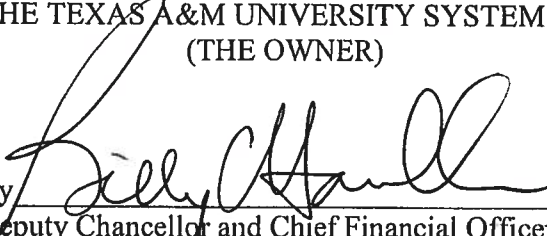
Prohibition on Contracts Related to Persons Involved in Human Trafficking. Under Section 2155.0061, Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

Respondent is responsible to ensure that employees participating in work for any A&M System member have not been designated by the A&M System as Not Eligible for Rehire as defined in System policy [32.02, Section 4](#). Non-conformance to this requirement may be grounds for termination of any resultant agreement.

**[SIGNATURES PROVIDED ON FOLLOWING PAGE]**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

BOARD OF REGENTS OF  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
(THE OWNER)

By   
Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer

Date 12/7/21

QUAD-TEX CONSTRUCTION  
CONTRACTOR

By   
(Signature)

Susan Chmela  
(Print or Type Name)

Date 11/10/21

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED:

  
Chief Facilities Officer  
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction

Date 12/4/21

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
General Counsel

Date 12/3/2021

Name(s) of individual(s), sole proprietors,  
partner(s), shareholder(s) or owner(s) with  
an ownership interest of at least 25% of the  
business entity executing this Contract.

Name: Susan Chmela 5190

Name: George Chmela 4990

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

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

## PERFORMANCE BOND

STATE OF TEXAS

Bond# HSHNSU0809212

COUNTY OF BRAZOS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

That we, Quad-Tex Construction, Inc., as Principal, and Harco National Insurance Company, as Surety, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the State of Texas in the penal sum of: Four Million Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars & no/100----- Dollars (\$ 4,066,000.00) for the payment whereof, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such that, whereas the Principal entered into a certain contract (the "Contract"), which Contract is incorporated into this Performance Bond by this reference, with the State of Texas acting by and through the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, as Obligee, dated 11/10/2021 for the RELLIS Runway 35R Rehabilitation, Project No. 01-3331

**NOW, THEREFORE**, if the Principal shall faithfully perform the Contract in accordance with the Contract Documents, including any warranties, and shall fully indemnify, and save harmless the State of Texas from all costs and damage that the State of Texas may suffer by reason of the Principal's default or failure to perform and shall fully reimburse and repay the State of Texas all outlay and expense that the State of Texas may incur in making good any such default or failure to perform, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

In the event the Principal is declared in default under the Contract, Surety will, within fifteen (15) days of the determination of such default, take over and assume responsibility for completion of such Contract and become entitled to the payment of the balance of the Contract Price, or the Surety shall make other arrangements satisfactory to the Obligee for the completion of the defaulted Work. Conditioned upon the Surety's faithful performance of its obligations, the Surety's liability shall not exceed the penalty of this Bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the Work to be performed under the Contract or to the Specifications accompanying the same shall in any manner affect its obligation on this Performance Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the Work or to the Specifications.

The Surety agrees to pay to the State of Texas upon demand all loss and expenses, including attorney's fees and court costs, incurred by the State of Texas by reason of or on account of any breach of this obligation by the Surety.

This Bond is issued pursuant to the requirements of Section 2253.021, Texas Government Code, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and Surety have executed and sealed this instrument this 11th day of November, 2021.

Quad-Tex Construction, Inc., Principal

(PRINCIPAL'S SEAL if a corporation)

By: [Signature]  
Name: Susan Chancelor  
Title: President

Harco National Insurance Company, Surety

(SURETY'S SEAL)

By: [Signature]  
Name: Robert James Nitsche, Attorney-in-Fact  
Attorney-in-Fact

## PAYMENT BOND

STATE OF TEXAS

Bond# HSHNSU0809212

COUNTY OF BRAZOS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

That we, Quad-Tex Construction, Inc., as Principal, and Harco National Insurance Company, as Surety, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the State of Texas in the penal sum of: Four Million Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars & no/100----- Dollars (\$ 4,066,000.00 ) for the payment whereof, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and successors, jointly and severally firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such that, whereas the Principal entered into a certain contract (the "Contract"), which Contract is incorporated into this Payment Bond by this reference, with the State of Texas acting by and through the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, as Obligee, dated 11/10/2021 for the RELLS Runway 35 Rehabilitation Project No. 01-3331.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, if the Principal shall promptly make payments to all claimants, as defined in Chapter 2253, Texas Government Code, supplying labor and materials in the prosecution of the work provided for in said Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

This Bond is made and entered into solely for the protection of all claimants supplying labor and material in the prosecution of the Work provided for in said Contract, and all such claimants shall have a direct right of action under the Bond as provided in Chapter 2253, Texas Government Code.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the Work to be performed under the Contract shall in any wise affect its obligation on this Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the Work to be performed under the Contract.

The Surety agrees to pay the State of Texas upon demand all loss and expense, including attorney's fees and court costs, incurred by the State of Texas by reason of or on account of any breach of this obligation by the Surety.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Principal and Surety have duly signed and sealed this instrument this 11th day of November, 2021.

Quad-Tex Construction, Inc., Principal

(PRINCIPAL'S SEAL)  
if a corporation)

By: [Signature]  
Name: Susan Chancelor  
Title: President

Harco National Insurance Company, Surety

(SURETY'S SEAL)

By: [Signature]  
Name: Robert James Nitsche, Attorney-in-Fact  
Attorney-in-Fact

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
**HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**

Bond # SHNSU0809212

Member companies of IAT Insurance Group, Headquartered: 702 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27605

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:** That **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having their principal offices located respectively in the cities of Rolling Meadows, Illinois and Newark, New Jersey, do hereby constitute and appoint

GARY A. NITSCHKE, VIOLET J. FROSCHE, NINA K. SMITH, KENNETH NITSCHKE, ROBERT K. NITSCHKE, CRAIG T. PARKER, ROBERT JAMES NITSCHKE

Giddings, TX

their true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required or permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise, and the execution of such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon the said **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by their regularly elected officers at their principal offices.

This Power of Attorney is executed, and may be revoked, pursuant to and by authority of the By-Laws of <

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**To obtain information or make a complaint:**

**You may contact Harco National Insurance Company at:**

**1-800-333-4167**

**You may also write to: Harco National Insurance Company c/o IAT Surety at:**

**Attn: Claims Department  
One Newark Center, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Newark, NJ 07102**

**You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at:**

**1-800-252-3439**

**You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:**

**P. O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
Fax: (512) 490-1007  
Web: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)  
E-mail: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)**

### **PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:**

**Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim you should contact the agent or the company first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.**

### **ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR BOND:**

**This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.**

## **AVISO IMPORTANTE**

**Para obtener información o para presentar una queja:**

**Usted puede comunicarse con su Harco National Insurance Company al:**

**1-800-333-4167**

**Usted tambien puede escribir a Harco National Insurance Company c/o IAT Surety at:**

**Attn: Claims Department  
One Newark Center, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Newark, NJ 07102**

**Puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al:**

**1-800-252-3439**

**Puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas:**

**P. O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
Fax: (512) 490-1007  
Web: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)  
E-mail: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)**

### **DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS:**

**Si tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con el agente o la compania primero. Si no se resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento (TDI).**

### **UNA ESTE AVISO A SU FIANZA DE GARANTIA:**

**Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no se convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.**

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**  
**Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions**  
**Table of Contents**

<b>ARTICLE</b>	<b>PAGE #</b>
<b>Article 1</b>	<b>Definitions ..... 2</b>
<b>Article 2</b>	<b>Laws Governing Construction ..... 5</b>
<b>Article 3</b>	<b>General Responsibilities of Owner &amp; Contractor ..... 8</b>
<b>Article 4</b>	<b>Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Subcontracting Plan .... 15</b>
<b>Article 5</b>	<b>Bonds &amp; Insurance..... 17</b>
<b>Article 6</b>	<b>Contract Documents..... 23</b>
<b>Article 7</b>	<b>Construction Safety ..... 25</b>
<b>Article 8</b>	<b>Quality Control..... 28</b>
<b>Article 9</b>	<b>Schedules ..... 34</b>
<b>Article 10</b>	<b>Payments ..... 41</b>
<b>Article 11</b>	<b>Changes ..... 45</b>
<b>Article 12</b>	<b>Project Completion and Acceptance..... 50</b>
<b>Article 13</b>	<b>Warranty and Guarantee ..... 56</b>
<b>Article 14</b>	<b>Suspension and Termination..... 58</b>
<b>Article 15</b>	<b>Dispute Resolution ..... 62</b>
<b>Article 16</b>	<b>Miscellaneous ..... 62</b>

## **Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions For The Texas A&M University System**

*The Texas A&M University System has incorporated its Supplementary Conditions that apply to all A&M System and member institution construction projects into the Texas Building and Procurement Commissions' Uniform General Conditions. Material changes are indicated by the bold and italicized typeface shown here. Superseded sections of the Texas Building and Procurement Commissions' Uniform General Conditions are not included in the A&M System Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions. All users are advised to read and understand this entire document.*

### **Article 1. Definitions**

Unless the context clearly requires another meaning, the following terms have the meaning assigned herein:

- 1.1 *Architect/Engineer (A/E)* means a person registered as an architect pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann., Chapter 1051, as a landscape architect pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann., Chapter 1052, a person licensed as a professional engineer pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann., Chapter 1001 and/or a firm employed by Owner or a design-build contractor to provide professional architectural or engineering services and to exercise overall responsibility for the design of a Project or a significant portion thereof, and to perform the contract administration responsibilities set forth in the Contract.
- 1.2 *Change Order* means a written modification of the Contract between the Owner and Contractor, signed by the Owner, the Contractor and the A/E.
- 1.3 *Change Order Proposal* means a Contractor-generated document in response to a Change Order Request (COR).
- 1.4 *Close-out documents* means the product brochures, product/equipment maintenance and operations instructions, manuals, and other documents/warranties, as-built record documents, affidavit of payment, release of lien and claim, and as may be further defined, identified, and required by the Contract Documents.
- 1.5 *Contract* means the entire agreement between the Owner and the Contractor, including all of the Contract Documents.
- 1.6 *Contract Date* is the date when the agreement between the Owner and the Contractor becomes effective.

- 1.7 *Contract Documents* means those documents identified as a component of the agreement (contract) between the Owner and the Contractor. These may include, but are not limited to, Drawings, Specifications, these Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions, Special Conditions, Change Orders, and all pre-bid and/or pre-proposal addenda.
- 1.8 *Contractor* means the individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm or other entity contracted to perform the Work, regardless of the type of construction contract used, so that the term as used herein includes a Construction Manager-at-Risk or a Design-Build firm as well as General or Prime Contractor. The Contract Documents refer to Contractor as if singular in number.
- 1.9 *Contract Sum* means the total compensation payable to the Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the terms of the Contract.
- 1.10 *Contract Time* means the period between the Date of Commencement (Start Date) identified in the Notice to Proceed with Construction and the Substantial Completion date identified in the Notice to Proceed or as subsequently amended by Change Order.
- 1.11 *Date of Commencement* means the date designated in the Notice to Proceed for the Contractor to commence the Work.
- 1.12 *Day* means a calendar day, unless otherwise specifically stipulated.
- 1.13 *Drawings* means that product of the A/E which graphically depicts the Work.
- 1.14 *Final Completion* means the date determined and certified by the A/E and Owner on which the Work is fully and satisfactorily complete in accordance with the Contract.
- 1.15 *Owner* means the State of Texas and any Agency of the State of Texas, acting through the responsible entity of the State of Texas, identified in the Contract as the Owner.
- 1.16 *Owner's Designated Representative (ODR)* means the individual assigned by the Owner to act on its behalf, and to undertake certain activities as specifically outlined in the Contract. The ODR is the only party authorized to direct changes to the scope, cost, or time of the Contract.
- 1.17 *Project* means all activities necessary for realization of the Work. This includes design, contract award(s), execution of the Work itself, and fulfillment of all contract and warranty obligations.

- 1.18 *Samples* mean representative physical examples of materials, equipment or workmanship, used to confirm compliance with requirements and/or to establish standards for use in execution of the Work.
- 1.19 *Schedule of Values* means the detailed breakdown of the cost of the materials, labor and equipment necessary to accomplish the Work as described in the Contract Documents, submitted by Contractor for approval by Owner and A/E.
- 1.20 *Shop Drawings* means the drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, performance charts, brochures and other data prepared by the Contractor or its agents, which detail a portion of the Work.
- 1.21 *Site* means the geographical area of the location of the Work.
- 1.22 *Special Conditions* means the documents containing terms and conditions, which may be unique to the Project. Special Conditions are a part of the Contract Documents and have precedence over these Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions.
- 1.23 *Specifications* mean the written product of the A/E that establishes the quality and/or performance of products utilized in the Work and processes to be used, including testing and verification for producing the Work.
- 1.24 *Subcontractor* means a business entity that enters into an agreement with the Contractor to perform part of the Work or to provide services, materials or equipment for use in the Work.
- 1.25 *Substantial Completion* means the date determined and certified by the Contractor, A/E and Owner when the Work or a designated portion thereof is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract, so as to be operational and fit for the use intended. Fit for use intended would include but not be limited to the authority have jurisdiction designation that the Work or a designated portion thereof can be occupied.
- 1.26 *Unit Price Work* means Work or a portion of the Work paid for based on incremental units of measurement.
- 1.27 *Unilateral Change Order* means a Change Order issued by the Owner without the agreement of the Contractor. ***A Unilateral Change Order has the same effect as a contract modification.***
- 1.28 *Work* means the administration, procurement, materials, equipment, construction and all services necessary for the Contractor, and/or its agents, to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

## Article 2. Laws Governing Construction

21. Environmental Regulations. The Contractor shall conduct activities in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and other requirements of the Contract relating to the environment and its protection at all times. Unless otherwise specifically determined, the Owner is responsible for obtaining and maintaining permits related to stormwater run-off. The Contractor shall conduct operations consistent with stormwater run-off permit conditions. Contractor is responsible for all items it brings to the Site, including hazardous materials, and all such items brought to the Site by its Subcontractors and suppliers, or by other entities subject to direction of the Contractor. The Contractor shall not incorporate hazardous materials into the Work without prior approval of Owner, and shall provide an affidavit attesting to such in association with the request for the Substantial Completion Inspection.
22. Wage Rates. The Contractor shall not pay less than the wage scale of the various classes of labor as shown on the "Prevailing Wage Schedule" provided by the Owner. The specified wage rates are minimum rates only. The Owner is not bound to pay any claims for additional compensation made by any contractor because the Contractor pays wages in excess of the applicable minimum rate contained in the Contract. The "Prevailing Wage Schedule" is not a representation that qualified labor adequate to perform the Work is available locally at the prevailing wage rates.
  - 2.2.1 Notification to Workers. The Contractor shall notify each worker, in writing, of the following as they commence work on the Contract: the worker's job classification, the established minimum wage rate requirement for that classification, as well as the worker's actual wage. The notice must be delivered to and signed in acknowledgement of receipt by the worker and must list both the wages and fringe benefits to be paid or furnished for each classification in which the worker is assigned duties. When requested by the Owner, the Contractor shall furnish evidence of compliance with the Texas Prevailing Wage Law.
    - 2.2.1.1 The Contractor shall submit a copy of each worker wage-rate notification to the ODR with the application for progress payment for the period during which the worker was engaged in activities on behalf of the Project.
    - 2.2.1.2 The "Prevailing Wage Schedule" is determined by the Owner in compliance with Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 2258. Should the Contractor at any time become aware that a particular skill or trade not reflected on the Owner's Prevailing Wage Schedule will be or is being employed in the Work, whether

by the Contractor or by a Subcontractor, the Contractor shall promptly inform the ODR of the proposed wage to be paid for the skill along with a justification for same. The Contractor is responsible for determining the most appropriate wage for a particular skill in relation to similar skills or trades identified on the Prevailing Wage Schedule. In no case shall any worker be paid less than the wage indicated for Laborers.

2.2.1.3 Penalty for Violation. The Contractor and any Subcontractor will pay to the State a penalty of sixty dollars (\$60) for each worker employed for each calendar day, or portion thereof, that the worker is paid less than the wage rates stipulated in the Prevailing Wage Schedule.

2.2.1.4 Complaints of Violations.

2.2.1.4.1 Owner's Determination of Good Cause. Upon receipt of information concerning a violation of Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 2258, the Owner will, within 31 days, make an initial determination as to whether good cause exists that a violation occurred. The Owner will send documentation of the initial determination to the Contractor against whom the violation was alleged, and to the worker involved. Upon making a good-cause finding, the Owner will retain the full amounts claimed by the claimant or claimants as the difference between wages paid and wages due under the Prevailing Wage Schedule and any supplements thereto, together with the applicable penalties, such amounts being subtracted from successive progress payments pending a final decision on the violation.

2.2.1.4.2 If the Contractor and claimant worker reach an agreement concerning the claim, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Owner in a written document countersigned by the worker.

2.2.1.4.3 Arbitration Required. If the violation is not resolved within 14 days following initial determination by the Owner, the Contractor and the claimant worker must participate in binding arbitration in accordance with the Texas General Arbitration Act, Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code,

Chapter 171. If the Contractor and the claimant worker do not agree on an arbitrator within 10 days, after the date arbitration is required, a district court may be petitioned by any of the parties to the arbitration to appoint an arbitrator whose decision will be binding on all parties. (See Tex. Gov't Code, § 2258.053)

2.2.1.4.4 Arbitration Award. If an arbitrator assesses an award against the Contractor, the Contractor shall promptly furnish a copy of said award to the Owner. The Owner may use any amounts retained under Article 2.2.1.4.1 to pay the worker the amount as designated in the arbitration award. If the retained funds are insufficient to pay the worker in accordance with the arbitration award, the worker has a right of action against the Contractor, and/or the surety to receive the amount owed, plus attorneys' fees and court costs. The Owner has no duty to release any funds to either the claimant or the Contractor until it has received the notices of agreement or the arbitration award.

2.2.1.4.5 No Extension of Time. If the Owner's determination proves valid that good cause existed to believe a violation had occurred, the Contractor is not entitled to an extension of time for any delay arising directly or indirectly from the arbitration procedures set forth herein.

**23. Venue for Suits. *The venue for any suit arising from the Contract will be in a court of competent jurisdiction in Brazos County, Texas.***

24. Licensing of Trades. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of state law related to license requirements for skilled tradesmen, contractors, suppliers and/or laborers, as necessary to accomplish the Work. In the event the Contractor, or one of its Subcontractors, loses its license during the term of performance of the Contract, the Contractor shall promptly hire or contract with a licensed provider of the service at no additional cost to the Owner.

25. Royalties, Patents & Copyrights. The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees, defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights, and shall save the Owner harmless from loss on account thereof.

26. State Sales and Use Taxes. The Owner qualifies for exemption from certain State and Local Sales and Use Taxes pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Tax Code, Chapter 151. The Contractor may claim exemption from payment of applicable State taxes by complying with such procedures as prescribed by the State Comptroller of Public Accounts. ***Contractor shall not be entitled to reimbursement for taxes paid on items that are exempt from taxation.***

***2.7 Domestic Iron and Steel Requirement. Pursuant to Sections 2252.201-2252.205 of the Government Code, Contractor shall require that any iron or steel product produced through a manufacturing process and used in the Project be produced in the United States. Contractor will require that the bid documents provided to all bidders and the contract include this same requirement.***

### **Article 3. General Responsibilities of Owner and Contractor**

31. Owner's General Responsibilities. The Owner is the entity identified as such in the Contract and referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number.

3.1.1 Preconstruction Conference. Prior to, or concurrent with, the issuance of the Notice to Proceed with Construction, a conference will be convened for attendance by the Owner, Contractor, A/E and appropriate Subcontractors. The purpose of the conference is to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work, the operational conditions at the Project Site, and general administration of the Project. Topics include communications, schedules, procedures for handling Shop Drawings and other submittals, processing Applications for Payment, maintaining required records and all other matters of importance to the administration of the Project and effective communications between the project team members.

3.1.2 Owner's Designated Representative. Prior to the start of construction, Owner will identify the Owner's Designated Representative (ODR), who has the express authority to act and bind the Owner to the extent and for the purposes described in the Contract, including responsibilities for general administration of the Contract.

3.1.2.1 Unless otherwise specifically defined elsewhere in the Contract Documents, the ODR is the single point of contact between the Owner and Contractor. Notice to the ODR, unless otherwise noted, constitutes notice to the Owner under the Contract.

3.1.2.2 All directives on behalf of the Owner will be conveyed to the Contractor by the ODR in writing.

3.1.3 Owner Supplied Materials and Information.

3.1.3.1 The Owner will furnish to the Contractor those surveys describing the physical characteristics, legal description, limitations of the Site, site utility locations, and other information used in the preparation of the Contract Documents.

**3.1.3.2** The Owner will provide information, equipment, or services under the Owner's control to the Contractor with reasonable promptness. ***The Owner makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness of the site information furnished to the Contractor by the Owner, and is not responsible for any interpretations or conclusions reached by the Contractor with respect to the information.***

3.1.4 Availability of Lands. The Owner will furnish, as indicated in the Contract, all required rights to use the lands upon which the Work occurs. This includes rights-of-way and easements for access and such other lands that are designated for use by the Contractor. The Contractor shall comply with all Owner-identified encumbrances or restrictions specifically related to use of lands so furnished. The Owner will obtain and pay for easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing facilities, unless otherwise required in the Contract Documents.

3.1.5 Limitation on Owner's Duties.

3.1.5.1 The Owner will not supervise, direct, control or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, technologies, sequences or procedures of construction or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto. The Owner is not responsible for any failure of Contractor to comply with laws and regulations applicable to the Work. The Owner is not responsible for the failure of Contractor to perform or furnish the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Owner is not responsible for the acts or omissions of Contractor, or any of its Subcontractors, suppliers or of any other person or organization performing or furnishing any of the Work on behalf of the Contractor.

3.1.5.2 The Owner will not take any action in contravention of a design decision made by the A/E in preparation of the Contract Documents, when such actions are in conflict with statutes under which the A/E is licensed for the protection of the public health and safety.

32 Role of A/E. Unless specified otherwise in the Contract between the Owner and the Contractor, the A/E shall provide general administration services for the Owner during the construction phase of the Project. Written correspondence, requests for information, and Shop Drawings/submittals shall be directed to the A/E for action. The A/E has the authority to act on behalf of the Owner to the extent provided in the Contract Documents, unless otherwise modified by written instrument, which will be furnished to the Contractor by the ODR, upon request.

### 3.2.1 Site Visits

3.2.1.1 The A/E will make visits to the Site at intervals as provided in the A/E's contract agreement with the Owner, to observe the progress and the quality of the various aspects of Contractor's executed Work and report findings to the Owner.

3.2.1.2 The A/E has the authority to interpret Contract Documents and inspect the Work for compliance and conformance with the Contract. Except as referenced in Article 3.1.5.2, the Owner retains the sole authority to accept or reject Work and issue direction for correction, removal, or replacement of Work.

3.2.2 Clarifications and Interpretations. It may be determined that clarifications or interpretations of the Contract Documents are necessary. Upon direction by the ODR such clarifications or interpretations will be provided by the A/E consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents. The A/E will issue these clarifications with reasonable promptness to the Contractor as Architect's Supplemental Instruction (ASI) or similar instrument. If Contractor believes that such clarification or interpretation justifies an adjustment in the Contract Sum or the Contract Time, the Contractor shall so notify the Owner in accordance with the provisions of Article 11.

3.2.3 Limitations on A/E Authority. The A/E is not responsible for:

3.2.3.1 The Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures, safety, or programs incident to the Project nor

will the A/E supervise, direct, control or have authority over the same.

3.2.3.2 The failure of Contractor to comply with laws and regulations applicable to furnishing or performing the Work.

3.2.3.3 The Contractor's failure to perform or furnish the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3.2.3.4 Acts or omissions of the Contractor, or of any other person or organization performing or furnishing any of the Work.

**33 Contractor's General Responsibilities.** The Contractor is solely responsible for implementing the Work in full compliance with all applicable laws and the Contract Documents and shall supervise and direct the Work using the best skill and attention to assure that each element of the Work conforms to the Contract requirements. The Contractor is solely responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, safety, sequences, coordination and procedures. ***The Contractor is responsible for having visited the Site and having ascertained all pertinent local conditions such as existing subsurface concealed conditions, location, accessibility and general character of the Site or building, the character and extent of existing work, the character and extent of existing work within adjacent sites, and any other work being performed thereon at the time Contractor's bid or proposal is submitted.***

3.3.1 Project Administration. The Contractor shall provide project administration for all Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, and others involved in implementing the Work and shall coordinate administration efforts with those of the A/E and ODR in accordance with these Uniform General and Supplementary Conditions and provisions of Division 1 Specifications, and as outlined in the Pre-construction Conference.

3.3.2 Contractor's Superintendent. The Contractor shall employ a competent resident Superintendent who will be present at the Project Site during the progress of the Work. The Superintendent is subject to the approval of the ODR. The Contractor shall not change approved Superintendents during the course of the Project without the written approval of the ODR unless the Superintendent leaves the employ of the Contractor.

3.3.3 Labor. The Contractor shall provide competent, suitably qualified personnel to survey, lay-out, and construct the Work as required by the Contract Documents, and maintain good discipline and order at the Site at all times.

- 3.3.4 Services, Materials, and Equipment. Unless otherwise specified, the Contractor shall provide and assume full responsibility for all services, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities, and all other facilities, incidentals, and services necessary for the construction, performance, testing, start-up, inspection and completion of the Work.
- 3.3.5 Non-Compliant Work. Should the A/E and/or the ODR identify Work as non-compliant with the Contract Documents, the ODR will communicate the finding to the Contractor and the Contractor will correct such Work at its expense. The approval of Work by either the A/E or ODR does not relieve the Contractor from the obligation to comply with all requirements of the Contract Documents.
- 3.3.6 Subcontractors. The Contractor shall not employ any Subcontractor, supplier or other person or organization, whether initially or as a substitute, against whom the Owner may have reasonable objection. The Owner will communicate such objections in writing. The Contractor is not required to employ any Subcontractor, supplier or other person or organization to furnish any of the work to whom the Contractor has reasonable objection. The Contractor will not substitute Subcontractors without the acceptance of the Owner.
- 3.3.6.1 All Subcontracts and supply contracts shall be consistent with and bound to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents including provisions of the agreement between the Contractor and the Owner.
- 3.3.6.2 The Contractor shall be solely responsible for scheduling and coordinating the Work of Subcontractors, suppliers and other persons and organizations performing or furnishing any of the Work under a direct or indirect contract with the Contractor. The Contractor shall require all Subcontractors, suppliers and such other persons and organizations performing or furnishing any of the Work to communicate with Owner only through the Contractor. The Contractor shall furnish to the Owner a copy of each first-tier subcontract promptly after its execution. The Contractor agrees that the Owner has no obligation to review or approve the content of such contracts and that providing the Owner such copies in no way relieves the Contractor of any of the terms and conditions of the Contract, including, without limitation, any provisions of the Contract which require the Subcontractor to

be bound to the Contractor in the same manner in which the Contractor is bound to the Owner.

- 3.3.7 Continuing the Work. The Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the progress schedule during all disputes, disagreements or alternative resolution processes with the Owner. The Contractor shall not delay or postpone any Work because of the pending resolution of any disputes, disagreements or processes, except as the Owner and the Contractor may agree in writing.
- 3.3.8 Cleaning. At all times, the Contractor shall keep the Site and the Work clean and free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by the construction activities under the Contract. The Contractor shall ensure that the entire Project is thoroughly cleaned prior to requesting Substantial Completion Inspection and, again, upon completion of the Project prior to the Final Completion Inspection.
- 3.3.9 Acts and Omissions of Contractor, its Subcontractors and Employees. The Contractor is responsible for acts and omissions of its employees and all its Subcontractors, their agents and employees. The Owner may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove from the Project any of Contractor's or its Subcontractor's employees that the ODR finds to be careless, incompetent, or otherwise objectionable.
- 3.3.10 Indemnification of Owner. The Contractor covenants and agrees to FULLY INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS, the Owner and the employees, officers, Regents, volunteers, and representatives of the Owner, individually or collectively, from and against any and all costs, claims, liens, damages, losses, expenses, fees, fines, penalties, proceedings, actions, demands, causes of action, liability and suits of any kind and nature, including but not limited to, personal or bodily injury, death and property damage, made upon the Owner directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting from or related to Contractor's activities under this Contract, including any acts or omissions of Contractor, any agent, officer, director, representative, employee, consultant or Subcontractor of Contractor, and their respective officers, agents, employees, directors and representatives while in the exercise of performance of the rights or duties under this Contract. The indemnity provided for in this paragraph does not apply to any liability resulting from the negligence of the Owner, its officers or employees, separate contractors or assigned contractors, in instances where such negligence causes personal injury, death or property damage. IN THE EVENT CONTRACTOR AND OWNER ARE FOUND JOINTLY LIABLE BY A COURT OF COMPETENT

JURISDICTION, LIABILITY WILL BE APPORTIONED COMPARATIVELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, WITHOUT WAIVING ANY GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE STATE UNDER TEXAS LAW AND WITHOUT WAIVING ANY DEFENSES OF THE PARTIES UNDER TEXAS LAW.

3.3.10.1 The provisions of this indemnification are solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and not intended to create or grant any rights, contractual or otherwise, to any other person or entity.

3.3.10.2 The Contractor shall promptly advise the Owner in writing of any claim or demand against the Owner or the Contractor known to the Contractor related to or arising out of the Contractor's activities under this Contract.

3.3.11 Ancillary Areas. The Contractor shall operate and maintain operations and associated storage areas at the Site of the Work in accordance with the following:

3.3.11.1 The Contractor shall confine all Contractor operations, including storage of materials and employee parking upon the Site of the Work, to areas designated by the Owner.

3.3.11.2 The Contractor may erect, at its own expense, temporary buildings that will remain its property. The Contractor shall remove such buildings and associated utility service lines upon completion of the Work, unless the Contractor requests and the Owner provides written consent that it may abandon such buildings and utilities in place.

3.3.11.3 The Contractor shall use only established roadways or construct and use such temporary roadways as may be authorized by the Owner. The Contractor shall not allow load limits of vehicles to exceed the limits prescribed by appropriate regulations or law. The Contractor shall provide protection to road surfaces, curbs, sidewalks, trees, shrubbery, sprinkler systems, drainage structures and other like existing improvements to prevent damage, and shall repair any damage, thereto at the expense of the Contractor.

3.3.11.4 The Owner may restrict the Contractor's entry to the Site to specifically assigned entrances and routes.

3.3.12 Separate Contracts. Additional Contractor responsibilities when the Owner awards separate contracts:

3.3.12.1 The Owner reserves the right to award other contracts in connection with other portions of the Project under these or similar contract conditions.

3.3.12.2 The Owner reserves the right to perform operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces.

3.3.12.3 Under a system of separate contracts, the conditions described herein continue to apply except as may be amended by Change Order.

3.3.12.4 ***The Contractor shall cooperate with other contractors employed on the Project by the Owner, including providing access to the Site and project information as requested.***

#### **Article 4. Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Subcontracting Plan**

4.1. General Description. ***The purpose of the HUB Program is to promote full and equal business opportunities for all businesses in State contracting.***

***In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only contracts that have been in place for five years or less shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.***

**The Texas A&M University System has determined that the agency's goals are higher than the State's goals. Therefore, respondents are required to use the following:** 11.2% for heavy construction other than building contracts; 26% for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders contracts; 11% for all special trade construction contracts; 38% for professional services contracts; 11% for all other services contracts; and 44% for commodities contracts.

- 4.1.1 State agencies are required by statute to make a good faith effort to assist HUBs in participating in contract awards issued by the State. 34 TAC §20.11-20.28, outline the State's policy to encourage outreach to and potential utilization of HUBs in state contracting opportunities through race, ethnic and gender neutral means.
- 4.1.2 A contractor who contracts with the State in an amount of \$100,000 or more is required to make a good faith effort to award subcontracts to HUBs in accordance with 34 TAC §20.14 by submitting a HUB Subcontracting Plan at the time of bidding and complying with the HUB Subcontracting Plan after it is accepted by the Owner and during the term of the contract.
- 4.2. Compliance with Approved HUB Subcontracting Plan. Contractor, having been awarded the Contract in part by complying with the HUB Program statute and rules, hereby covenants to continue to comply with the HUB Program as follows:
  - 4.2.1 Prior to substituting a Subcontractor, promptly notify the Owner in the event a change is required for any reason to the accepted HUB Subcontracting Plan.
  - 4.2.2 Conduct the good faith effort activities required and provide the Owner with necessary documentation to justify approval of a change to the approved HUB Subcontracting Plan.
  - 4.2.3 Cooperate in the execution of a Change Order or such other approval of the change in the HUB Subcontracting Plan as the Contractor and Owner may agree to.
  - 4.2.4 Maintain and make available to Owner upon request business records documenting compliance with the accepted HUB Subcontracting Plan.
  - 4.2.5 Upon receipt of payment for performance of Work, submit to Owner a compliance report, in the format required by the Owner that demonstrates Contractor's performance of the HUB Subcontracting Plan.
  - 4.2.6 Promptly and accurately explain and provide supplemental information to Owner to assist in the Owner's investigation of the Contractor's good faith effort to fulfill the HUB Subcontracting Plan and the requirements under 34 TAC §20.14.

- 4.3. Failure to Demonstrate Good Faith Effort. Upon a determination by Owner that Contractor has failed to demonstrate a good faith effort to fulfill the HUB Subcontracting Plan or any contract covenant detailed above, the Owner may, in addition to all other remedies available to it, report the failure to perform to the Texas Procurement and Support Services under its Vendor Performance and Debarment Program and may bar the Contractor from future contracting opportunities with the Owner.

## **Article 5. Bonds & Insurance**

51. Construction Bonds. The Contractor is required to tender to Owner, prior to commencing the Work, performance and payment bonds, as required by Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 2253.

51.1. Performance Bond. A Performance Bond is required if the Contract Sum is in excess of \$100,000. The Performance Bond is solely for the protection of the Owner. The Performance Bond is to be for the Contract Sum to guarantee the faithful performance of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. The form of the bond shall be approved by the Attorney General of Texas. The Performance Bond shall be effective through the Contractor's warranty period.

51.2. Payment Bond. A Payment Bond is required if the Contract Sum is in excess of \$25,000. The Payment Bond is to be for the Contract Sum and is payable to the Owner solely for the protection and use of payment bond beneficiaries who have a direct contractual relationship with the Contractor or a Subcontractor. The form of the bond shall be approved by the Attorney General of Texas.

51.3. Bond Requirements. Each bond shall be executed by a corporate surety or sureties authorized to do business in the State of Texas and acceptable to the Owner, on the Owner's form, and in compliance with the relevant provisions of the Texas Insurance Code. If any bond is for more than 10 percent of the surety's capital and surplus, the Owner may require certification that the company has reinsured the excess portion with one or more reinsurers authorized to do business in the State. A reinsurer may not reinsure for more than 10 percent of its capital and surplus. If a surety upon a bond loses its authority to do business in the State, the Contractor shall, within thirty (30) days after such loss, furnish a replacement bond at no added cost to the Owner.

51.4. Power of Attorney. Each bond shall be accompanied by a valid power-of-attorney issued by the surety company, attached to the bond, and signed and sealed

surety to the terms of the bond, and stating any limit in the amount for which the attorney can issue a single bond.

- 51.5. Bond Indemnification. The process of requiring and accepting bonds and making claims thereunder shall be conducted in compliance with Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 2253. IF FOR ANY REASON A STATUTORY PAYMENT OR PERFORMANCE BOND IS NOT HONORED BY THE SURETY, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FULLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD THE OWNER HARMLESS OF AND FROM ANY COSTS, LOSSES, OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITIES IT INCURS AS A RESULT.
- 51.6. Furnishing Bond Information. Owner shall furnish certified copies of the Payment Bond and the related Contract to any qualified person seeking copies who complies with Tex. Gov't Code, § 2253.026.
- 51.7. Claims on Payment Bonds. Claims on Payment Bonds must be sent directly to the Contractor and his surety in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code § 2253.041. All Payment Bond claimants are cautioned that no lien exists on the funds unpaid to the Contractor on such Contract, and that reliance on notices sent to the Owner may result in loss of their rights against the Contractor and/or his surety. The Owner is not responsible in any manner to a claimant for collection of unpaid bills, and accepts no such responsibility because of any representation by any agent or employee.
- 51.8. Payment Claims when Payment Bond not Required. The rights of Subcontractors regarding payment are governed by Tex. Prop. Code, §§53.231 – 53.239 when the value of the Contract between the Owner and the Contractor is less than \$25,000.00. These provisions set out the requirements for filing a valid lien on funds unpaid to the Contractor as of the time of filing the claim, actions necessary to release the lien and satisfaction of such claim.
- 51.9. Sureties. Sureties shall be listed on the US Department of the Treasury's Listing of Approved Sureties stating companies holding Certificates of Authority as acceptable sureties on Federal Bonds and acceptable reinsuring companies (Department Circular 570) **and have a rating of A- or better with A.M. Best Company.**

52. Insurance Requirements.

The Contractor shall carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated in this Article for the duration of the Contract. The required insurance shall include coverage for Owner's property in the care, custody and control of Contractor prior to construction, during construction and during the warranty

period. The insurance shall be evidenced by delivery to the Owner of certificates of insurance executed by the insurer or its authorized agent stating coverages, limits, expiration dates and compliance with all applicable required provisions. Upon request, the Owner, and/or its agents, shall be entitled to receive without expense, copies of the policies and all endorsements. The Contractor shall update all expired policies prior to submission for monthly payment. Failure to update policies shall be reason for withholding of payment until renewal is provided to the Owner.

5.2.1 The Contractor shall provide and maintain the insurance coverage with the minimum amounts described below until the end of the warranty period unless otherwise stated in Special Conditions. Failure to maintain insurance coverage, as required, is grounds for Suspension of Work for Cause pursuant to Article 14. The Contractor will be notified of the date on which the Builder's Risk insurance policy may be terminated through Substantial Completion notices, acceptance notices and/or other means as deemed appropriate by the Owner.

5.2.2 Coverage shall be written on an occurrence basis by companies authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas or eligible surplus lines insurers operating in accordance with the Texas Insurance Code and have a financial strength rating of A- or better and a financial strength rating of VII or better as measured by A.M. Best Company or otherwise acceptable to Owner, and shall include:

5.2.2.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance with limits as required by the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, with the policy endorsed to provide a waiver of subrogation as to the Owner, and Employer's Liability insurance of not less than:

Coverage	Limit
Statutory Benefits (Coverage A)	Statutory
Employers Liability (Coverage B)	\$1,000,000 Each Accident
	\$1,000,000 Disease/Employee
	\$1,000,000 Disease/Policy Limit

Workers' Compensation policy must include under Item 3.A. on the information page of the workers' compensation policy the state in which work is to be performed for the Owner. No 'alternative' form of insurance will be permitted

5.2.2.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance, including Independent Contractor's liability, Products and Completed Operations and Contractual Liability, covering, but not limited

to, the liability assumed under the indemnification provisions of this Contract, fully insuring Contractor's (or Subcontractors) liability for bodily injury and property damage with a combined bodily injury (including death) and property damage minimum limit of:

\$1,000,000	per occurrence
\$2,000,000	general aggregate
\$1,000,000	products and completed operations aggregate
\$1,000,000	personal/advertising injury
\$300,000	damage to rented premises
\$5,000	medical payments

Coverage shall be on an "occurrence" basis.

The policy shall include coverage extended to apply to completed operations and explosion, collapse, and underground hazards. The policy shall include endorsement CG2503 Amendment-Aggregate Limits of Insurance (Per Project) or its equivalent.

- 5.2.2.3 Asbestos Abatement Liability Insurance<sub>1</sub> including coverage for liability arising from the encapsulation, removal, handling, storage, transportation, and disposal of asbestos containing materials. \*This requirement applies if the Work or the Project includes asbestos containing materials.

The combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage will be a minimum of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

\*Specific Requirement for Claims-Made Form: Required period of coverage will be determined by the following formula: Continuous coverage for life of the Contract, plus one (1) year (to provide coverage for the warranty period), and an extended discovery period for a minimum of five (5) years which shall begin at the end of the warranty period.

If this Contract is for asbestos abatement only, the All-Risk Builder's Risk or All-Risk Installation Floater (e) is not required.

- 5.2.2.4 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance<sub>1</sub> covering owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles, with a combined bodily injury (including death) and property damage minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence. No aggregate shall be permitted for this type of coverage.

Such insurance is to include coverage for loading and unloading hazards.

5.2.2.5 All Risk Builder's Risk Insurance (or All Risk Installation Floater for instances in which the Project involves solely the installation of equipment). Coverage shall be All-Risk, including, but not limited to, Fire, Extended Coverage, Vandalism and Malicious Mischief, Flood, Earthquake, Theft and damage resulting from faulty workmanship, design or materials. If Builder's Risk, limit shall be equal to 100 percent of the Contract. If Installation Floater, limit shall be equal to 100 percent of the contract cost. The policy shall be written jointly in the names of the Owner, the Contractor, Subcontractors and, Subcontractors shall be named as additional insured. The policy shall have endorsements as follows:

5.2.2.5.1 This insurance shall be specific as to coverage and not contributing insurance with any permanent insurance maintained on the property.

5.2.2.5.2 This insurance shall not contain an occupancy clause suspending or reducing coverage should the Owner occupy, or begin beneficial occupancy before the Owner has accepted final completion.

5.2.2.5.3 Loss, if any, shall be adjusted with and made payable to the Owner as Trustee for the insureds as their interests may appear; the right of subrogation under the Builder's Risk policy shall be waived as to the Owner. The Owner shall be named as Loss Payee. For renovation projects or projects that involve portions of work contained within an existing structure, refer to Special Conditions for possible additional Builder's Risk insurance requirements.

5.2.2.6 "Umbrella" Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall obtain, pay for and maintain umbrella liability insurance during the contract term, insuring the Contractor (or Subcontractor) for an amount of not less than the amount specified in the Special Conditions that provides coverage at least as broad as and applies in excess and follows form of the primary liability coverages required hereinabove. The policy shall

provide "drop down" coverage where underlying primary insurance coverage limits are insufficient or exhausted.

If the Contract is for asbestos abatement only, the "Umbrella" Excess Liability is not required.

5.2.3 Policies must include the following clauses, as applicable:

5.2.3.1 This insurance shall not be canceled, materially changed, or non-renewed until after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the Owner.

5.2.3.2 It is agreed that the Contractor's insurance shall be deemed primary with respect to any insurance or self insurance carried by the Owner for liability arising out of operations under the Contract with the Owner.

5.2.3.3 The Owner, its officials, directors, employees, representatives, and volunteers are added as additional insureds as respects operations and activities of, or on behalf of the named insured performed under contract with the Owner. The additional insured status must cover completed operations as well. This is not applicable to the workers' compensation policy.

5.2.3.4 The workers' compensation and employers' liability policy will provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Owner.

5.2.4 Without limiting any of the other obligations or liabilities of the Contractor, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor performing work under the Contract, at the Subcontractor's own expense, to maintain during the term of the Contract, the same stipulated minimum insurance including the required provisions and additional policy conditions as shown above. As an alternative, the Contractor may include its Subcontractors as additional insureds on its own coverage as prescribed under these requirements. The Contractor's certificate of insurance shall note in such event that the Subcontractors are included as additional insureds and that Contractor agrees to provide Workers' Compensation for the Subcontractors and their employees. The Contractor shall obtain and monitor the certificates of insurance from each Subcontractor in order to assure compliance with the insurance requirements. The Contractor must retain the certificates of insurance for the duration of the Contract plus 5 years and shall have the responsibility of enforcing these insurance requirements among its Subcontractors.

The Owner shall be entitled, upon request and without expense, to receive copies of these certificates.

- 5.2.5 Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage must meet the statutory requirements of Tex. Lab. Code, §401.011(44), and those specific to construction projects for public entities as required by Tex. Lab. Code, §406.096.

## **Article 6. Contract Documents**

### **6.1. Drawings and Specifications**

- 6.1.1 Copies Furnished. The Contractor will be furnished one (1) digital copy of Drawings and Specifications free of charge.
- 6.1.2 Ownership of Drawings and Specifications. All Drawings, Specifications and copies thereof furnished by the A/E are to remain A/E's property. These documents are not to be used on any other project, and with the exception of one contract set for each party to the Contract, are to be returned to the A/E, upon request, following completion of the Work.
- 6.1.3 Interrelation of Documents. The Contract Documents as referenced in the agreement between the Owner and the Contractor, are complimentary, and what is required by one shall be as binding as if required by all.
- 6.1.4 Resolution of Conflicts in Documents. Where conflicts may exist between and/or within the Contract Documents, the higher quality, greater quantity, more restrictive, and/or more expensive requirement ***shall be required*** and shall be the basis of Contractor pricing. The Contractor shall notify the A/E and the ODR for resolution of the issue prior to executing the work in question.
- 6.1.5 Contractor's Duty to Review Contract Documents. In order to facilitate its responsibilities for completion of the Work in accordance with and as reasonably inferable from the Contract Documents, prior to pricing or commencing the Work, the Contractor shall examine and compare the Contract Documents, information furnished by the Owner, relevant field measurements made by the Contractor and any visible or reasonably anticipated conditions at the Site affecting the Work. This duty extends throughout the construction phase prior to commencing each particular work activity and/or system installation.
- 6.1.6 Discrepancies and Omissions in Drawings and Specifications

- 6.1.6.1 The Contractor shall report to the ODR and to the A/E the discovery of any apparent error, omission or inconsistency in the Contract Documents prior to execution of the Work.
- 6.1.6.2 It is recognized that the Contractor is not acting in the capacity of a licensed design professional, unless it is performing as a Design-Build firm.
- 6.1.6.3. It is further recognized that the Contractor's examination of Contract Documents is to facilitate construction and does not create an affirmative responsibility to detect errors, omissions or inconsistencies or to ascertain compliance with applicable laws, building codes or regulations, unless it is performing as a Design-Build firm.
- 6.1.6.4 When performing as a Design-Build firm, the Contractor has sole responsibility for discrepancies, errors, and omissions in the Drawings and Specifications.
- 6.1.6.5 When performing as a Construction Manager-at-Risk, the Contractor has a shared responsibility with the A/E for discovery and resolution of discrepancies, errors, and omissions in the Contract Documents. In such case, the Contractor's responsibility pertains to review, coordination, and recommendation of resolution strategies within budget constraints, but does not establish a liability for design.
- 6.1.6.6 The Contractor has no liability for errors, omissions, or inconsistencies in the Drawings and Specifications unless the Contractor knowingly failed to report a recognized problem to the Owner or the Work is executed under a Design-Build contract as outlined above. Should the Contractor fail to perform the examination and reporting obligations of these provisions, the Contractor is responsible for avoidable costs, direct, and/or consequential damages.
- 6.1.6.7 *The Owner makes no representations, express or implied, about the adequacy or accuracy of the Drawings, Specifications or other Construction Documents provided or their suitability for their intended use. Owner expressly disclaims any implied warranty that the Construction Documents are adequate, accurate or suitable for their intended use.***

## 6.2 Requirements for Record Documents.

The Contractor shall maintain at the Site one copy of all Drawings, Specifications, addenda, approved submittals, contract modifications, and all Project correspondence. The Contractor shall keep current and maintain Drawings and Specifications in good order with postings and markings to record actual conditions of Work and show and reference all changes made during construction. The Contractor shall provide Owner and A/E access to these documents.

6.21 The Contractor shall maintain the record set of Drawings and Specifications which reflect the "As Constructed" conditions and representations of the Work performed, whether it be directed by addendum, Change Order or otherwise. The Contractor shall make available all records prescribed herein for reference and examination by the Owner and its representatives and agents.

6.22 The Contractor shall update the "As-Constructed" Drawings and Specifications monthly prior to submission of periodic partial pay estimates. Failure to maintain such records constitutes cause for denial of a progress payment otherwise due.

6.23 Prior to requesting the Substantial Completion Inspection by the ODR and A/E, the Contractor shall furnish the ODR a complete set of the marked up "As-Constructed" set maintained at the Site and one photocopy of same. Concurrently with furnishing these record drawings, the Contractor shall furnish a preliminary copy of each operating and maintenance manual (O&M) required by the Contract Documents, for review by the A/E and the ODR.

**6.24** Once determined acceptable, the Contractor shall provide to Owner mylar prints of professionally drafted "As-Constructed" drawings, along with an electronic copy on CD, "As-Constructed" specifications in bound volume(s) along with an electronic copy on CD, two sets of photocopies or prints of the mylar "As-Constructed" drawings, two sets of operating and maintenance manuals, two sets of approved submittals, and other record documents as required elsewhere in the Contract Documents. ***All electronic copies shall be provided in a format acceptable to the ODR.***

## **Article 7. Safety**

7.1. General. It is the duty and responsibility of the Contractor and all of its Subcontractors to be familiar with, enforce and comply with all requirements of Public Law 91-596, 29 U.S.C. §§651 et. seq., the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA), and all amendments thereto. The Contractor shall prepare a Safety Plan specific to the Project and submit it to the ODR

and A/E prior to commencing Work. In addition, the Contractor and all of its Subcontractors shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of any public body having jurisdiction for safety of persons or property to protect them from damage, injury or loss, and erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection.

72. Notices. The Contractor shall provide notices as follows:

7.2.1 Notify owners of adjacent property including those that own or operate utility services and/or underground facilities, and utility owners, when prosecution of the Work may affect them or their facilities, and cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation and replacement of their facilities, and with respect to access to their facilities and/or utilities.

7.2.2 Coordinate the exchange of material safety data sheets or other hazard communication information required to be made available to or exchanged between or among employers at the Site in connection with laws and regulations. Maintain a complete file of MSDS for all materials in use on Site throughout the construction phase and make such file available to the Owner and its agents as requested.

73. Emergencies. In any emergency affecting the safety of persons or property, the Contractor shall act to minimize, mitigate, and prevent threatened damage, injury or loss.

7.3.1 Have authorized agents of Contractor respond immediately upon call at anytime of day or night when circumstances warrant the presence of Contractor to protect the Work or adjacent property from damage or to take such action pertaining to the Work as may be necessary to provide for the safety of the public.

7.3.2 Give the ODR and A/E prompt notice of all such events.

7.3.3 If Contractor believes that any changes in the Work or variations from Contract Documents have been caused by its emergency response, promptly notify the Owner within 72 hours of the emergency response event.

7.3.4 Should Contractor fail to respond, Owner is authorized to direct other forces to take action as necessary and Owner may deduct any cost of remedial action from funds otherwise due the Contractor.

74. Injuries. In the event of

- 7.4.1 Record the location of the event and the circumstances surrounding it, by using photography or other means, and gather witness statements and other documentation which describes the event.
  - 7.4.2 Supply the ODR and A/E with an incident report no later than 36 hours after the occurrence of the event. In the event of a catastrophic incident (one fatality or three workers hospitalized), barricade and leave intact the scene of the incident until all investigations are complete. A full set of incident investigation documents, including facts, finding of cause, and remedial plans shall be provided by Contractor to Owner within one week after occurrence, unless otherwise directed by Owner's legal counsel. Contractor shall provide the ODR with written notification within one week of such catastrophic event if legal counsel delays submission of a full report.
75. Environmental Safety. Upon encountering any previously unknown potentially hazardous material, or other materials potentially contaminated by hazardous material, Contractor shall immediately stop work activities impacted by the discovery, secure the affected area, and notify the ODR immediately.
- 7.5.1 The Contractor shall bind all Subcontractors to the same duty.
  - 7.5.2 Upon receiving such notice, the ODR will promptly engage qualified experts to make such investigations and conduct such tests as may be reasonably necessary to determine the existence or extent of any environmental hazard. Upon completion of this investigation, the ODR will issue a written report to the Contractor identifying the material(s) found and indicate any necessary steps to be taken to treat, handle, transport or dispose of the material.
  - 7.5.3 The Owner may hire third-party contractors to perform any or all such steps.
  - 7.5.4 Should compliance with the ODR's instructions result in an increase in the Contractor's cost of performance, or delay the Work, the Owner will make an equitable adjustment to the Contract Sum and/or the Contract Time, and modify the Contract in writing accordingly.
76. Trenching Plan. When the Project requires excavation which either exceeds a depth of four feet, or results in any worker's upper body being positioned below grade level, the Contractor is required to submit a trenching plan to the ODR prior to commencing trenching operations. This plan shall meet or exceed all OSHA 1926 Subpart P Excavation requirements. During trenching operations, the Contractor shall update the trenching plan daily, or when trench conditions change, to identify and remove any potential hazards. The plan shall be maintained by the Contractor's competent person and shall include the soil classification observed, maximum

allowable slopes per 1926 Subpart P Appendices A and B, protective system that will be used for that day's work, any back up data or engineered plans as required for the protective system, and the contact number for the Contractor's competent person.

## **Article 8. Quality Control**

81. Materials & Workmanship. The Contractor shall execute Work in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall develop and provide a Quality Control Plan specific to this Project and acceptable to the Owner. Where Contract Documents do not specify quality standards, the Contractor shall complete and construct all Work in compliance with generally accepted construction industry standards. Unless otherwise specified, the Contractor shall incorporate all new materials and equipment into the Work under the Contract.

### 82. Testing

8.2.1 *Contractor Testing.* The Contractor is responsible for coordinating and paying for all routine and special tests required to confirm compliance with quality and performance requirements of the Contract Documents. This "quality control" testing shall include any particular testing required by the Specifications and the following general tests:

8.2.1.1 Any test of basic material or fabricated equipment included as part of a submittal for a required item in order to establish compliance with the Contract Documents.

8.2.1.2 Any test of basic material or fabricated equipment offered as a substitute for a specified item on which a test may be required in order to establish compliance with the Contract Documents.

8.2.1.3 Routine, preliminary, start-up, pre-functional and operational testing of building equipment and systems as necessary to confirm operational compliance with requirements of the Contract Documents.

8.2.1.4 All subsequent tests on original or replaced materials conducted as a result of prior testing failure.

8.2.2 Owner Testing. The Owner reserves the right to subject materials and systems incorporated into the Project to routine tests as may be specified or as deemed necessary by the ODR or the A/E to insure compliance with the quality and/or performance requirements of the Contract Documents and/or with laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and/or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction. The results

of such “quality assurance” testing will be provided to the Contractor and, to the extent provided, the Contractor may rely on findings.

8.2.3 All testing shall be performed in accordance with standard test procedures by an accredited laboratory, or special consultant as appropriate, acceptable to the Owner. Results of all tests shall be provided promptly to the ODR, A/E and the Contractor.

8.2.4 Non-Compliance (Test Results). Should any of the tests indicate that a material and/or system does not comply with the contract requirements, the burden of proving compliance remains with the Contractor. The tests are subject to the following conditions:

8.2.4.1 The Contractor’s selected laboratory must be acceptable to the Owner.

8.2.4.2 The quality and nature of the tests must be acceptable to the Owner.

8.2.4.3 All tests must be taken in the presence of the A/E and/or ODR, or their representatives.

8.2.4.4 If tests confirm that the material/systems comply with Contract Documents, the Owner will pay the cost of the test.

8.2.4.5 If tests reveal noncompliance, the Contractor will pay the laboratory fees and costs of that particular test and all future tests of that failing Work, necessary to eventually confirm compliance with Contract Documents.

8.2.4.6 Proof of noncompliance with the Contract Documents will make the Contractor liable for any corrective action which the ODR determines appropriate, including complete removal and replacement of non-compliant work or material.

8.2.5 Notice of Testing. The Contractor shall give the ODR and the A/E timely notice of its readiness and the date arranged so the ODR and A/E may observe such inspection, testing or approval.

8.2.6 Test Samples. The Contractor is responsible for providing Samples of sufficient size for test purposes and for coordinating such tests with the Work Progress Schedule to avoid delay.

8.2.7

requested by the ODR, uncover and recover the Work at Contractor's expense.

### 8.3 Submittals

8.3.1 Contractor's Submittals. The Contractor shall submit with reasonable promptness consistent with the Work Project Schedule and in orderly sequence all Shop Drawings, Samples, or other information required by the Contract Documents, or subsequently required by Change Order. Prior to submitting, the Contractor shall review each submittal for compliance with the Contract Documents and certify its approval by an approval stamp affixed to each copy. Submittal data presented without the Contractor's certification will be returned without review or comment, and any delay resulting from such certification is the Contractor's responsibility.

8.3.1.1 Within twenty-one (21) calendar days of the effective date of the Notice to Proceed with construction, the Contractor shall submit to the ODR, and the A/E, a submittal schedule/register, organized by specification section, listing all items to be furnished for review and approval by the A/E and Owner. The list shall include Shop Drawings, manufacturer's literature, certificates of compliance, materials samples, materials colors, guarantees, and all other items identified throughout the Specifications.

**8.3.1.2** The Contractor shall indicate the type of item, contract requirements reference, and Contractor's scheduled dates for submitting the item along with the requested dates for approval answers from the A/E and Owner. The submittal register shall indicate the projected dates for procurement of all included items and shall be updated at least monthly with actual approval and procurement dates. The Contractor shall show and allow a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days duration after receipt by the A/E and ODR for review and approval. If re-submittal is required, allow a minimum of an additional fifteen (15) calendar days for review. Submit the updated submittal register with each request for progress payment. The Owner may establish routine review procedures and schedules for submittals at the preconstruction conference and/or elsewhere in the Contract Documents. ***Failure to update and provide the submittal schedule/register as required shall constitute cause for Owner to withhold payment otherwise due.***

- 8.3.1.3 The Contractor shall coordinate the submittal register with the Work Progress Schedule. Do not schedule Work requiring a submittal to begin prior to scheduling review and approval of the related submittal. The Contractor shall revise and/or update both schedules monthly to ensure consistency and current project data. The Contractor shall provide to the ODR the updated submittal register and schedule with each application for progress payment. The Contractor shall refer to the requirements for the Work Progress Schedule for inclusion of procurement activities therein. Regardless, the submittal register shall identify dates submitted and returned and shall be used to confirm status and disposition of particular items submitted, including approval or other action taken and other information not conveniently tracked through the Work Progress Schedule.
- 8.3.1.4 By submitting Shop Drawings, Samples or other required information, the Contractor represents and certifies that it has determined and verified all applicable field measurements, field construction criteria, materials, catalog numbers and similar data; and has checked and coordinated each Shop Drawing and Sample with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents.
- 8.3.2 Review of Submittals. A/E and ODR review is only for conformance with the design concept and the information provided in the Contract Documents. Responses to submittals will be in writing. The approval of a separate item does not indicate approval of an assembly in which the item functions. The approval of a submittal does not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for any deviation from the requirements of the Contract unless the Contractor informs the A/E and ODR of such deviation in a clear, conspicuous, and written manner on the submittal transmittal and at the time of submission, and obtains the **A/E's and** Owner's written specific approval of the particular deviation.
- 8.3.3 Correction and Resubmission. The Contractor shall make any corrections required to a submittal and resubmit the required number of corrected copies promptly so as to avoid delay, until submittal approval. When applicable, the Contractor shall direct attention of the A/E and the ODR in writing to any new revisions other than the corrections requested on previous submissions.
- 8.3.4 Limits on Shop Drawing Approvals. The Contractor shall not commence any Work requiring a submittal until approval of the submittal. The Contractor shall construct all such work in accordance

with approved submittals. Approval of Shop Drawings and Samples is not authorization to Contractor to perform extra work or changed work unless authorized through a Change Order. The A/E's and ODR's approval, if any, does not relieve Contractor from responsibility for defects in the Work resulting from errors or omissions of any kind on the submittal, regardless of any approval action.

8.3.5 No Substitutions Without Approval. The ODR and the A/E may receive and consider the Contractor's request for substitution when the Contractor agrees to reimburse the Owner for review costs and satisfies 8.3.5.1, 8.3.5.2, and 8.3.5.3 in combination with one or more of the items in 8.3.5.4 through 8.3.5.11 of the following conditions, as determined by the Owner. If the Contractor does not satisfy these conditions, the ODR and A/E will return the request without action except to record noncompliance with these requirements. The Owner will not consider the request if the Contractor cannot provide the product or method because of failure to pursue the Work promptly or coordinate activities properly.

8.3.5.1 The Contract Documents do not require extensive revisions.

8.3.5.2 Proposed changes are in keeping with the general intent of the Contract Documents and the design intent of the A/E and do not result in an increase in cost to the Owner.

8.3.5.3 The request is timely, fully documented, and properly submitted.

8.3.5.4 The Contractor cannot provide the specified product, assembly or method of construction within the Contract Time.

8.3.5.5 The request directly relates to an "or-equal" clause or similar language in the Contract Documents.

8.3.5.6 The request directly relates to a "product design standard" or "performance standard" clause in the Contract Documents.

8.3.5.7 The requested substitution offers the Owner a substantial advantage in cost, time, energy conservation or other considerations, after deducting additional responsibilities the Owner must assume.

- 8.3.5.8 The specified product or method of construction cannot receive necessary approval by an authority having jurisdiction, and the ODR can approve the requested substitution.
  - 8.3.5.9 The Contractor cannot provide the specified product, assembly or method of construction in a manner that is compatible with other materials and the Contractor certifies that the substitution will overcome the incompatibility.
  - 8.3.5.10 The Contractor cannot coordinate the specified product, assembly or method of construction with other materials and the Contractor certifies it can coordinate the proposed substitution.
  - 8.3.5.11 The specified product, assembly or method of construction cannot provide a warranty required by the Contract Documents and the Contractor certifies that the proposed substitution provides the required warranty.
- 8.3.6 Unauthorized Substitutions at Contractor's Risk. The Contractor is financially responsible for any additional costs or delays resulting from using materials, equipment or fixtures other than those specified. The Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for any increased design or contract administration costs resulting from such unauthorized substitutions.

#### 8.4 Field Mock-up.

- 8.4.1 Mock-ups shall be constructed prior to commencement of a specified scope of work to confirm acceptable workmanship.
  - 8.4.1.1 As a minimum, field mock-ups shall be constructed for roofing systems, exterior veneer/finish systems, glazing systems, and any other Work requiring a mock-up as identified throughout the Contract Documents. Mock-ups for systems not part of the project scope shall not be required.
  - 8.4.1.2 Mock-ups may be incorporated into the Work if allowed by the Contract Documents and if acceptable to the ODR. If mock-ups are freestanding, they shall remain in place until otherwise directed by the Owner.
  - 8.4.1.3 The Contractor shall include field mock-ups in their Work Progress Schedule and shall notify the ODR and A/E of

readiness for review sufficiently in advance to coordinate review without delay.

## 8.5 Inspection During Construction.

8.5.1 The Contractor shall provide sufficient, safe, and proper facilities, including equipment, as necessary for safe access at all reasonable times for observation and/or inspection of the Work by the Owner and its agents.

8.5.2 The Contractor shall not cover up any work with finishing materials or other building components prior to providing the Owner and its agents an opportunity to perform an inspection of the Work.

8.5.2.1 Should corrections of the Work be required for approval, the Contractor shall not cover up corrected Work until the Owner indicates approval.

8.5.2.2 The Contractor shall provide notification of at least five (5) working days or otherwise as mutually agreed, to the ODR of the anticipated need for a cover-up inspection. Should the ODR fail to make the necessary inspection within the agreed period, the Contractor may proceed with cover up Work, but is not relieved of responsibility for Work to comply with requirements of the Contract Documents.

## **Article 9. Construction Schedules**

9.1. Contract Time. TIME IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF THE CONTRACT. The Contract Time is the time between the dates indicated in the Notice to Proceed for the Date of Commencement (Start Date) and for achieving Substantial Completion. The Contract Time can be modified only by Change Order. Failure to achieve Substantial Completion within the Contract Time, and Final Completion within thirty (30) days following Substantial Completion or as otherwise agreed to in writing will cause damage to the Owner and may subject the Contractor to Liquidated Damages as provided in Article 9.11.

9.2. Notice to Proceed. The Owner will issue a Notice to Proceed which shall state the dates for beginning Work (the Date of Commencement) and for achieving Substantial Completion and Final Completion of the Work.

9.3. Work Progress Schedule. Refer to Special Conditions and

relation to the entire Project not later than twenty-one (21) days after the effective date of the Notice to Proceed. Unless otherwise indicated in the Contract Documents, the Work Progress Schedule shall be based upon a computerized Critical Path Method (CPM) with full reporting capability. This initial schedule shall indicate the dates for starting and completing the various aspects required to complete the Work, including mobilization, procurement, installation, testing, inspection, and acceptance of all the Work of the Contract. When acceptable to the Owner, the initially accepted schedule shall be the Baseline Schedule for comparison to actual conditions throughout the contract duration.

9.3.1 Schedule Requirements. The Contractor shall submit an electronic and a paper copy of the initial Work Progress Schedule reflecting accurate and reliable representations of the planned progress of the Work, the Work to date if any, and of the Contractor's actual plans for its completion. The Contractor shall organize and provide adequate detail so the Work Progress Schedule is capable of measuring and forecasting the effect of delaying events on completed and uncompleted activities.

9.3.1.1 The Contractor shall re-submit initial Schedule as required to address review comments from A/E and ODR until such Schedule is accepted as the Baseline Schedule.

9.3.1.2 Submittal of a schedule, schedule revision or schedule update constitutes the Contractor's representation to the Owner of the accurate depiction of all progress to date and that the Contractor will follow the schedule as submitted in performing the Work.

9.3.2 Schedule Updates. The Contractor shall update the Work Progress Schedule and the Submittal Schedule monthly, as a minimum, to reflect progress to date and current plans for completing the Work, and submit a paper and electronic copy of the update to the A/E and ODR as directed. The Owner has no duty to make progress payments unless accompanied by the updated Work Progress Schedule. The Contractor shall show the anticipated date of completion reflecting all extensions of time granted through Change Order as of the date of the update. The Contractor may revise the Progress Schedule logic only with the Owner's concurrence when in the Contractor's judgment it becomes necessary for the management of the Work. The Contractor shall identify all proposed changes to the schedule logic to the Owner and to the A/E via an Executive Summary accompanying the updated schedule for review prior to implementation of revisions.

- 9.3.3 The Work Progress Schedule is for the Contractor's use in managing the Work, and submittal of the Schedule and successive updates or revisions, is for the information of the Owner and to demonstrate that the Contractor has complied with requirements for planning the Work. The Owner's acceptance of a schedule, schedule update or revision, constitutes the Owner's agreement to coordinate its own activities with the Contractor's activities as shown on the schedule.
- 9.3.3.1 Acceptance of the Work Progress Schedule, or an update and/or revision thereto does not indicate any approval of the Contractor's proposed sequences and duration.
- 9.3.3.2 Acceptance of a Work Progress Schedule update or revision indicating early or late completion does not constitute the Owner's consent, alter the terms of the Contract, or waive either the Contractor's responsibility for timely completion or the Owner's right to damages for the Contractor's failure to do so.
- 9.3.3.3 The Contractor's scheduled dates for completion of any activity or the entire Work do not constitute a change in terms of the Contract. Change Orders are the only method of modifying the completion date(s) and Contract Time.
- 9.4. Ownership of Float. Unless indicated otherwise in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall develop the Work Progress Schedule and its execution plan to provide a minimum of 10 percent total float at the project level at acceptance of the Baseline Schedule. Float time contained in the Work Progress Schedule is not for the exclusive benefit of the Contractor or the Owner, but belongs to the Project and may be consumed by either party as needed on a first-used basis.
- 9.5. Completion of Work. The Contractor is accountable for completing the Work in the time stated in the Contract, or as otherwise amended by Change Order.
- 9.5.1 If, in the judgment of the Owner, the work is behind schedule and the rate of placement of work is inadequate to regain scheduled progress to insure timely completion of the entire Work or a separable portion thereof, the Contractor, when so informed by the Owner, shall immediately take action to increase the rate of work placement by:
- 9.5.1.1 An increase in working forces.
- 9.5.1.2 An increase in equipment or tools.



**Table located in Special Conditions.** If the Contractor and Owner cannot agree on the time extension, the Owner may issue a Unilateral Change Order for a fair and reasonable time extension.

9.6.2.2 Excusable Delay. The Contractor is entitled to an equitable adjustment of time, issued via Change Order, for delays caused by the following:

9.6.2.2.1 Errors, omissions and imperfections in design which the A/E corrects by means of changes in the Drawings and Specifications.

9.6.2.2.2 Unanticipated physical conditions at the Site which the A/E corrects by means of changes to the Drawings and Specifications or for which the ODR directs changes in the Work identified in the Contract Documents.

9.6.2.2.3 Changes in the Work that affect activities identified in the Contractor's schedule as "critical" to completion of the entire Work, if such changes are ordered by the ODR or the A/E.

9.6.2.2.4 Suspension of Work for unexpected natural events (sometimes called "acts of God"), civil unrest, strikes or other events which are not within the reasonable control of the Contractor.

9.6.2.2.5 Suspension of Work for convenience of the ODR, which prevents Contractor from completing the Work within the Contract Time.

9.6.3 The Contractor's relief in the event of such delays is the time impact to the critical path as determined by analysis of the Contractor's schedule. In the event that the Contractor incurs additional direct costs because of the delay, they are to be determined pursuant to the provisions of Article 11.

**9.7 No Damages for Delay. *The Contractor has no claim for monetary damages for delay or hindrances to the Work from any cause, including without limitation any act or omission of the Owner.***

9.8 Concurrent Delay. When the completion of the Work is simultaneously delayed by an excusable delay and a delay arising from a cause not



9.9.4 Owner's Response. The Owner will respond to the Time Extension Request by providing to the Contractor written notice of the number of days granted, if any, and giving its reason if this number differs from the number of days requested by the Contractor.

9.9.4.1 The Owner will not grant time extensions for delays that do not affect the Contract Completion Date.

9.9.4.2 The Owner will respond to each properly submitted Time Extension Request within fifteen (15) calendar days following receipt. If the Owner cannot reasonably make a determination about the Contractor's entitlement to a time extension within that time, the Owner will notify the Contractor in writing. Unless otherwise agreed by the Contractor, the Owner has no more than fifteen (15) additional calendar days to prepare a final response. If the Owner fails to respond within forty-five (45) calendar days from the date the Time Extension Request is received, the Contractor is entitled to a time extension in the amount requested.

9.10 Failure to Complete Work Within the Contract Time. **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE OF THIS CONTRACT.** The Contractor's failure to substantially complete the Work within the Contract Time or to achieve Final Completion as required will cause damage to the Owner. These damages are liquidated by agreement of the Contractor and the Owner, as set forth in Article 9.11 below.

9.11 Liquidated Damages. ***For each consecutive calendar day after the date of Substantial Completion, plus any extensions of time granted by Change Order, that the Work is not substantially completed, Contractor shall pay to Owner, within ten (10) days following written demand, an amount determined by the following schedule:***

AACC		Liquidated Damages
<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>per day</u>
\$1,000,000	\$14,999,999.99	\$ 2,500
\$15,000,000	\$29,999,999.99	\$ 5,000
\$30,000,000	\$44,999,999.99	\$ 7,500
\$45,000,000	\$59,999,	







percentage greater than that withheld in its Contract with Owner under this subsection.

10.3.3 Price Reduction to Cover Loss. The Owner may reduce any Periodic Invoice, or application for Progress Payment, prior to payment to the extent necessary to protect the Owner from loss on account of actions of the Contractor including, but not limited to:

10.3.3.1 Defective or incomplete Work not remedied.

10.3.3.2 Damage to Work of a separate Contractor.

10.3.3.3 Failure to maintain scheduled progress or reasonable evidence that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time.

10.3.3.4 Persistent failure to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

10.3.3.5 Reasonable evidence that the Work cannot be completed for the unpaid portion of the Contract Sum.

10.3.3.6 Assessment of fines for violations of Prevailing Wage Rate law; or

10.3.3.7 Failure to include the appropriate amount of retainage for that periodic progress payment.

10.3.4 Title to all material and Work covered by progress payments transfers to the Owner upon payment.

10.3.4.1 Transfer of title to Owner does not relieve the Contractor of the sole responsibility for the care and protection of materials and Work upon which payments have been made until final acceptance of the entire Work, or the restoration of any damaged Work, or waive the right of the Owner to require the fulfillment of all the terms of the Contract.

10.4 Progress payments to the Contractor do not release the Contractor or its surety from any obligations under the Contract.

10.4.1 Upon the Owner's request, the Contractor

delivery receipts or other evidence of the location and value of such materials in requesting payment for materials.

10.4.4 For purposes of Tex. Gov't Code § 2251.021(a)(2), the date the performance of service is complete is the date when the Owner's representative approves the application for payment.

10.5 Off-Site Storage. With prior approval by the Owner and in the event Contractor elects to store materials at an off-site location, abide by the following conditions, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Owner.

10.5.1 Store materials in a Bonded Commercial Warehouse.

10.5.2 Provide separate Insurance Coverage adequate not only to cover materials while in storage, but also in transit from the off-site storage areas to the Project Site. Copies of duly authenticated certificates of insurance, made out to insure the Owner must be filed with the Owner's representative.

10.5.3 Inspection by Owner's representative is allowed at any time. The Owner's Inspectors must be satisfied with the security, control, maintenance, and preservation measures.

10.5.4 Materials for this Project are physically separated and marked for the Project in a sectioned-off area. Only materials which have been approved through the submittal process are to be considered for payment.

10.5.5 Owner reserves the right to reject materials at any time prior to final acceptance of the complete Project if they do not meet Contract requirements regardless of any previous progress payment made.

10.5.6 With each monthly payment estimate, submit a report to the ODR, A/E, and Inspector listing the quantities of materials already paid for and still stored in the off-site location.

10.5.7 Make warehouse records, receipts and invoices available to Owner's representatives, upon request, to verify the quantities and their disposition.

10.5.8 In the event of Contract termination or default by Contractor, the items in storage off-site, upon which payment has



















receipt. Prior to the expiration of this deadline, the A/E will either 1) return the Application for Final Payment to Contractor with corrections for action and resubmission or 2) accept it, note its approval and send to Owner.

12.3.4 Offsets and Deductions. The Owner may deduct from the Final Payment all sums due from the Contractor. If the Certificate of Final Completion notes any Work remaining, incomplete, or any defects not remedied, the Owner may deduct the cost of remedying such deficiencies from the Final Payment. On such deductions, the Owner will identify each deduction, the amount, and the explanation of the deduction on or by the 21st day after Owner's receipt of an approved Application for Final Payment. Such offsets and deductions shall be incorporated via a final Change Order, including a Unilateral Change Order as may be applicable.

12.3.5 Final Payment Due. Final Payment is due and payable by the Owner, subject to all allowable offsets and deductions, on the 31<sup>st</sup> day following the Owner's approval of the final Application for Payment. If the Contractor disputes any amount deducted by the Owner, the Contractor shall give notice of the dispute on or before the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day following receipt of Final Payment. Failure to do so will bar any subsequent claim for payment of amounts deducted.

12.3.6 Effect of Final Payment. Final Payment constitutes a waiver of all claims by the Owner, relating to the condition of the Work except those arising from:

12.3.6.1 Faulty or defective Work appearing after Substantial Completion (latent defects); and/or

12.3.6.2 Failure of the Work to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents; and/or

12.3.6.3 Terms of any warranties required by the Contract, or implied by law; and/or

12.3.6.4 Claims arising from personal injury or property damage to third parties.

12.3.7 Waiver of Claims. Final payment constitutes a waiver of all claims and liens by the Contractor except those specifically identified in writing and submitted to the ODR prior to the application for Final



or a release of Contractor's obligation to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents:

13.4.1 Observations by Owner and/or A/E;

13.4.2 Recommendation to pay any progress or final payment by A/E;

13.4.3 The issuance of a Certificate of Substantial Completion or any payment by Owner to Contractor under the Contract Documents;

13.4.4 Use or occupancy of the Work or any part thereof by Owner;

13.4.5 Any acceptance by Owner or any failure to do so;

13.4.6 Any review of a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal; or

13.4.7 Any inspection, test or approval by others.

13.5 Separate Warranties. If a particular piece of equipment or component of the Work for which the Contract requires a separate warranty is placed in continuous service before Substantial Completion, the Warranty Period for that equipment or component will not begin until Substantial Completion, regardless of any warranty agreements in place between suppliers and/or Subcontractors and the Contractor. The ODR will certify the date of service commencement in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

13.5.1 In addition to the Contractor's warranty and duty to repair, the Contractor expressly assumes all warranty obligations required under the Contract for specific building components, systems and equipment.

13.5.2 The Contractor may satisfy any such obligation by obtaining and assigning to the Owner a complying warranty from a manufacturer, supplier, or Subcontractor. Where an assigned warranty is tendered and accepted by the Owner which does not fully comply with the requirements of the Contract, the Contractor remains liable to the Owner on all elements of the required warranty not provided by the assigned warranty.



the number of suspension days for which the Work, or any portion of it, will be suspended and the date on which the suspension of Work will cease. When a suspension prevents the Contractor from completing the Work within the Contract Time, it is an Excusable Delay. A notice of suspension for convenience may be modified by the Owner at any time on seven (7) calendar days written notice to the Contractor. If the Owner suspends the Work for its convenience for more than sixty (60) consecutive calendar days, the Contractor may elect to terminate the Contract pursuant to the provisions of the Contract.

#### 14.3 Termination by Owner for Cause.

14.3.1 The Owner may, without prejudice to any right or remedy, terminate the employment of the Contractor and take possession of the Site and of all materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by the Contractor, under any of the following circumstances:

- 14.3.1.1 Persistent or repeated failure or refusal, except during complete or partial suspensions of work authorized under the Contract, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper materials; and/or
- 14.3.1.2 Persistent disregard of laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction, including the ODR; and/or
- 14.3.1.3 Persistent failure to prosecute the Work in accordance with the Contract, and to insure its completion within the time, or any approved extension thereof, specified in this Contract; and/or
- 14.3.1.4 Failure to remedy defective work condemned by the ODR; and/or
- 14.3.1.5 Failure to pay Subcontractors, laborers, and material suppliers pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Chapter 2251; and/or
- 14.3.1.6 Persistent endangerment to the safety of laborers or of the Work; and/or
- 14.3.1.7 Failure to supply or maintain statutory bonds or to maintain required insurance, pursuant to the Contract; and/or
- 14.3.1.8 Any material breach of the Contract; and/or

- 14.3.1.9 The Contractor's insolvency, bankruptcy, or demonstrated financial inability to perform the Work.
- 14.3.2 Failure by the Owner to exercise the right to terminate in any instance is not a waiver of the right to do so in any other instance.
- 14.3.3 Should the Owner decide to terminate the employment of the Contractor under the provisions of Article 14.3.1, it will provide to the Contractor and its Surety thirty (30) days prior written notice.
- 14.3.4 Should the Contractor or its Surety, after having received notice of termination, remedy to the satisfaction of the Owner the condition(s) upon which the notice of termination was based, the notice of termination shall be rescinded in writing by the Owner. If so rescinded, the Work may continue without an extension of time.
- 14.3.5 If the Contractor or its Surety fails to remedy the condition(s) to the satisfaction of the Owner within thirty (30) days following receipt of notice, the Owner may ***immediately terminate the Contract, make arrangements*** for completion of the Work, and deduct the cost of completion from the unpaid Contract Sum.
- 14.3.5.1 Cost of completion includes additional Owner costs such as A/E services, the cost of other consultants, and contract administration.
- 14.3.5.2 The Owner will make no further payment to the Contractor or its Surety until all costs of completing the Work are paid. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum exceeds the costs of administering and finishing the Work, the Contractor will receive the excess funds. If such costs exceed the unpaid balance, the Contractor or its Surety will pay the difference to the Owner.
- 14.3.5.3 This obligation for payment survives the termination of the Contract.
- 14.3.5.4 The Owner reserves the right in termination for cause to take assignment of all contracts between the Contractor and its Subcontractors, vendors and suppliers. The ODR will promptly notify the Contractor of the contracts the Owner elects to assume. Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall promptly take all steps necessary to effect such assignment.

14.4 Termination for Convenience of Owner. The Owner reserves the right, without breach, to terminate the Contract prior to, or during the performance of the Work, for any reason. Upon such an occurrence, the following shall apply:

14.4.1 The Owner will immediately notify the Contractor and the A/E in writing, specifying the reason for and the effective date of contract termination. Such notice may also contain instructions necessary for the protection, storage or decommissioning of incomplete work or systems, and for safety.

14.4.2 Upon receipt of the notice of termination, the Contractor shall immediately proceed with the following obligations, regardless of any delay in determining or adjusting any amounts due at that point in the Contract:

14.4.2.1 Stop all work.

14.4.2.2 Place no further subcontracts or orders for materials or service.

14.4.2.3 Terminate all subcontracts.

14.4.2.4 Cancel all materials and equipment orders as applicable.

14.4.2.5 Take action that is necessary to protect and preserve all property related to this Contract which is in the possession of the Contractor.

**14.4.3** When the Contract is terminated for the Owner's convenience, the Contractor may recover from the Owner payment for all Work executed ***before the notice of termination along with the actual and reasonable cost of any additional work required to secure the Project and property related to the Contract following the notice of termination. The Contractor will not be entitled to recover any other costs or damages arising from the termination for convenience of the Owner including, but not limited to, claims for lost business opportunities.***

14.5 Termination By Contractor. If the Work is stopped for a period of ninety (90) days under an order of any court or other public authority having jurisdiction, or as a result of an act of government, such as a declaration of a national emergency making materials unavailable, through no act or fault of the Contractor or a Subcontractor or their agents or employees or any other persons performing any of the Work under a contract with the Contractor, then the Contractor may, upon thirty (30)





**END OF UNIFORM GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS**

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The following supplements modify, change, delete from or add to the “UNIFORM GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS,” of The Texas A&M University System. Where any Article of the Uniform General Conditions or Supplemental Uniform General Conditions is modified or any paragraph or clause thereof is modified or deleted by these supplements, the unaltered conditions of the article, paragraph, sub-paragraph or clause shall remain in effect. The following supplements shall control over any inconsistencies or conflicts with the UGSC.

### Article 2 Laws Governing Construction

#### 2.2.1.2.1 Prevailing Wage Schedules

The rates of pay for some classifications which prevail in the locality of this Project are included at the end of these Special Conditions. Contributions by a worker toward retirement plans, health insurance, apprentice programs, etc., are part of the worker's pay; contributions by the employer are not. Contractors shall identify, briefly describe, and request a predetermination of rates for crafts (or apprentice programs) not included in the following Wage Predetermination. Such request shall be made within 15 days after contract award to the Chief Facilities Officer, Facilities Planning & Construction, The Texas A&M University System, phone number 979-458-7000.

#### 2.2.1.2.2 Apprenticeship Program

Apprentices who are enrolled in a federally certified apprenticeship program may be used at the percentage rates of the journeyman scale stipulated in their apprenticeship agreement.

### 2.8 Legal Restrictions on Specific Activities

#### ~~2.8.1 PCB Ballast Disposal Requirements~~





distribution and other third-party systems such as telecom, water, electrical, etc. must also be located prior to excavating or penetrating the ground. **A locate request for third-party owned utility systems on campus is initiated by calling 811.**

For additional information and assistance contact Utilities & Energy Services 979-845-3234 or go to this website <http://utilities.tamu.edu> and look under **Digging on Campus?**

**FOR EMERGENCIES:** An emergency excavation is sometimes necessary to respond to a situation that endangers life, health or property, or when service to the customer will be interrupted. When an emergency locate is needed on the TAMU campus, both Texas 811 and the TAMU Communications Center (at 979-845-4311) shall be contacted promptly with details of the emergency. The same information required on the Texas 811 Utility Locate Required Information form under normal conditions will also be required with an emergency.

#### 2.10.1.1 Routine Utility Locate Request Procedure:

- 2.10.1.1.1 The locate requestor is responsible to clearly mark the site perimeter to be excavated or penetrated, by using water-based white paint and/or white flags, prior to calling Texas 811.
- 2.10.1.1.2 Call 811 to request a utility locate. After clearly marking the site perimeter where locate will be performed, requestor must have the [Texas 811 Utility Locate Required Information](#) form completed and available.
- 2.10.1.1.3 The utility locator(s) will mark buried lines with paint and/or flags within the marked excavation perimeter. Utility flag colors are red for electric, orange for telecom, yellow for fuel gas, green for sanitary sewer, and blue for all other water systems.
- 2.10.1.1.4 The requestor shall not commence any digging, excavation, or ground penetration for at least two full working days (48 hours, excluding weekends and holidays) after the locate request is made.
- 2.10.1.1.5 If digging, excavation, or ground penetration must be performed more than 14 days after the initial locate is performed, then the requestor/excavator must request another locate





~~coordinated with the Contractor for approval prior to lift execution. There shall be no restriction of coverage or specific exclusion on the aviation policy as it relates to invasion of privacy. If drones are to be used, all use must be in compliance with FAA regulations.~~

#### Article 6. Contract Documents

6.1.1.1 The Contractor will be furnished online complete sets of the Contract Drawings and Specifications.

#### Article 9. Construction Schedule

##### 9.6.2.1.1 Rainfall Table

The number of weather days expected for each month during the term of this Contract is compiled by the State Climatologist, based on U.S. Weather Bureau records. The number of weather days shown in the Rainfall Table for the first and last months of the Contract will be prorated in determining the total number of weather days expected during the term of this Contract.

#### Texas A&M University (College Station/Bryan)

January	5	May	5	September	6
February	5	June	4	October	4
March	5	July	4	November	4
April	5	August	4	December	5

#### Tarleton State University

January	3	May	6	September	4
February	3	June	4	October	4
March	3	July	3	November	3
April	5	August	4	December	3

#### Prairie View A&M University

January	5	May	5	September	5
February	5	June	4	October	4
March	4	July	4	November	5
April	5	August	4	December	5

#### Texas A&M University at Galveston

January	5	May	4	September	6
February	4	June	4	October	4
March	3	July	5	November	4
April	4	August	6	December	6

~~Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi~~

January	3	May	4	September	7
February	3	June	4	October	4
March	2	July	3	November	3
April	3	August	4	December	3

~~Texas A&M International University~~

January	2	May	2	September	4
February	3	June	2	October	3
March	1	July	2	November	3
April	3	August	3	December	3

~~Texas A&M University-Kingsville~~

January	3	May	4	September	6
February	3	June	4	October	3
March	2	July	3	November	3
April	2	August	5	December	3

~~West Texas A&M University~~

January	1	May	4	September	3
February	2	June	5	October	3
March	2	July	4	November	2
April	2	August	4	December	1

~~Texas A&M University-Commerce~~

January	2	May	6	September	5
February	3	June	4	October	4
March	4	July	3	November	3
April	4	August	2	December	3

~~Texas A&M University-Texarkana~~

January	3	May	5	September	4
February	4	June	4	October	4
March	5	July	3	November	5
April	4	August	3	December	5

~~Texas A&M College of Dentistry-Dallas~~

January	2	May	5	September	3
February	2	June	3	October	4

March	3	July	2	November	3
April	4	August	2	December	2

#### ~~Texas A&M University Central Texas~~

January	4	May	3	September	2
February	3	June	4	October	3
March	4	July	2	November	3
April	2	August	3	December	4

#### ~~Texas A&M University San Antonio~~

January	2	May	5	September	4
February	2	June	4	October	4
March	2	July	2	November	3
April	3	August	3	December	2

9.6.2.2.6 Unanticipated asbestos material, hazardous material, archeological artifacts, or endangered species are discovered on a part of the construction site where Contractor is performing his work.

## Article 11. Changes





compliance with the terms of the contract regarding pricing of change orders, an appropriate contract price adjustment will be made. Such post-approval contract price adjustments will apply to all levels of contractors and/or subcontractors and to all types of change order proposals specifically including lump sum change orders, unit price change orders, and cost-plus change orders.

- 11.8.7 Contractor, subcontractor agrees to provide and require all Subcontractors and sub-subcontractors to provide a breakdown of allowable labor and labor burden cost information. This information will be used to evaluate the potential cost of labor and labor burden related to change order work. It is intended that this information represent an accurate estimate of the Contractor's actual labor and labor burden cost components. This information is not intended to establish fixed billing or change order pricing labor rates. However, at the time change orders are priced, the submitted cost data for labor rates may be used to price change order work. The accuracy of any such agreed upon labor cost components used to price change orders will be subject to later audit. Approved change order amounts may be adjusted later to correct the impact of inaccurate labor cost components if the agreed upon labor cost components are determined to be inaccurate.

## Article 12. Project Completion and Acceptance

- 12.1.1.3 As part of each partial substantial completion, substantial completion and final completion the Contractor shall provide a breakdown of the contract costs in the following categories in Excel format:

<u>CODE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
001	General Condition Items
002	Demolition
003	Asbestos Abatement
004	Parking Lots & Driveways
005	Paved Area - Non Parking
006	Sidewalks & Paved Walk Areas
007	Streets or Roads - (includes curbs & gutters)
008	Electrical Distribution (Site) - (includes elec. lines, equipment & site lighting)
009	Telephone

- 020 Tunnels (Other)
- 021 Septic Systems
- 022 Golf Course Facilities
- 023 Stadiums
- 024 Outdoor Swimming Pools and Tennis Courts
- 025 Athletic Fields & Recreation Areas (Intramural, Track & Field, Practice Fields)
- 026 Fountains
- 027 Plazas and Pavilions for Bus Stops
- 028 Fire Field Training Areas
- 029 Paths and Trails (Bicycle, Jogging)
- 030 Airport Runways/Strip/Taxiways/Aprons
- 031 Seawalls/Bulkheads/Piers/Broadwalks
- 032 Non-Componentized Building & Building Improvements (\$100,000 - \$999,999)
- 055 Infrastructure & Infrastructure Improvements (chillers serving multiple buildings)

Plus the following 11 component categories for EACH building with a cost of \$1,000,000 or greater.

NOTE: If the project includes construction of only one building, the following category codes should be used, however, if a second building is included in the project the category codes should be 201.0 through 211.0, and if a third building is included the codes should be 301.0 - 311.0, etc.

- 101 Building Shell
- 102 Roof Coverings
- 103 Elevator System
- 104 Floor Coverings
- 105 Interior Finishes
- 106 HVAC System
- 107 Plumbing System
- 108 Electrical and Lighting System
- 109 Fire Protection System
- 110 Fixed Equipment Assets
- 111 Miscellaneous Construction Features
- 146 Sprinkler System
- 152 Security System
- 153 Network Cabling/Telephone

#### Componentization Descriptions:

##### Code

- 101.0 Building shell: the exterior walls, foundation, floors and roof structural system and decking. The walls consist of the wall layers starting with the exterior building skin and ending at the inner thermal layer;
- 102.0 Roof Coverings: includes the covering material used to establish the water barrier on the building's roof deck. The roof covering starts with the first membrane above



~~13.8. Service Contracts. The Contractor shall, prior to completion of the Work, deliver to the Owner service contracts for equipment furnished and/or installed by the Contractor in connection with the Work. Specific requirements for service contracts are noted in various sections of the technical specifications. Service contracts are required for, but not limited to, the following:~~

~~Elevators~~

~~Until receipt of these contracts, where applicable, final payment will not be released.~~

Article 16. Miscellaneous

16.4 Business Ethics Expectations

During the course of pursuing contracts with Owner and while performing contract work in accordance with this agreement, Contractor agrees to maintain business ethics standards aimed at avoiding any impropriety or conflict of interest which could be construed to have an adverse impact on the Owner's best interests.

Contractor shall take reasonable actions to prevent any actions or conditions which could result in a conflict with Owner's best interests. These obligations shall apply to the activities of Contractor's employees, agents, subconsultants, subconsultants' employees and other persons under their control.

Contractor's employees, agents, subconsultants (and their representatives) shall not make or offer, or cause to be made or offered, any cash payments, commissions, employment, gifts valued at \$50 dollars or more, entertainment, free travel, loans, free work, substantially discounted work, or any other considerations to Owner's representatives, employees or their relatives.

Contractor's employees, agents and subconsultants (and their relatives) shall not receive or accept any cash payments, commissions, employment, gifts valued at \$50 dollars or more, entertainment, free travel, loans, free work, or substantially discounted work or any other considerations from representatives of contractors, subcontractors, or material suppliers or any other individuals, organizations, or businesses receiving funds in connection with a Project.



acceptable to Owner. As used in this provision, “public information” has the meaning assigned Section 552.002, *Texas Government Code*, but only includes information to which Owner has a right of access.

Contractor acknowledges that Owner **may be** required to post a copy of the fully executed Agreement on its Internet website in compliance with Section 2261.253(a)(1), *Texas Government Code*.



**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

**301 Tarrow Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

**College Station, Texas 77840**

**Minimum Prevailing Wage Rate**

**County: Brazos**

CLASSIFICATION	RATE	NOTES
Acoustic Ceiling Installer	15.73	
Asbestos Abatement Worker	13.06	
Carpenter	15.95	
Concrete – Pour and Finish	15.39	
Crane Operator	26.40	
Driver	14.47	
Drywall Installer	16.20	
Electrician – Journeyman	25.70	
Electrician – Apprentice	20.35	
Elevator Mechanic – Journeyman	55.83	
Elevator Mechanic – Apprentice	48.10	
Fire Protection – Controls	17.72	
Fire Protection – Pipefitter	20.61	
Formwork Builder	14.58	
Glazier	17.	