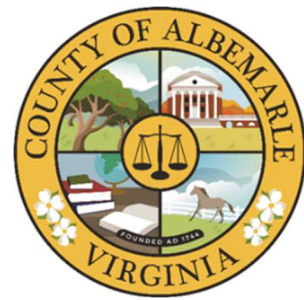


# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)



Issue Date: December 2, 2024

RFP# 2025-RFP-3010720

Title: **On Demand Sitework Services**

Issuing Agency: County of Albemarle  
Purchasing Office  
401 McIntire Road, Room 248  
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Period of Contract: For One (1) Year from the Date of Award with the Option for FOUR (4) Additional One (1) Year Renewals.

Sealed Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. ET. on **Tuesday, January 7, 2025**, for furnishing the goods/services described herein. Proposals received after the announced time and date for receipt will remain unopened. **No telephoned, emailed or faxed proposals will be considered.**

The face of the envelope or shipping container shall be clearly marked in the lower left-hand corner as follows:

RFP#:	<b>2025-RFP-3010720</b>
TITLE:	<b>On Demand Sitework Services</b>
PROPOSAL DUE:	<b>January 7, 2025</b>

All Inquiries for Information Should Submitted in Writing and Be Directed To: Vidhi Danak at [vdanak@albemarle.org](mailto:vdanak@albemarle.org).

Proposals should be submitted electronically by the stated due date and time, through the [Albemarle County Procurement Intake Form](#) on the Albemarle County Procurement Solicitations Page: <https://www.albemarle.org/government/finance/procurement/solicitations>.

Alternatively, a secure lockbox is available, at the exterior Visitors Entrance of the Issuing Agency, labeled Vendor/Contractor Bids or Proposals Only. Proposals may be placed in this box, prior to the established due date and time for each solicitation, or may be shipped//mailed, or hand delivered directly to the issuing agency shown above.

**PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE:** An optional preproposal conference will be held on December 10, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If special ADA accommodations are needed, please contact Vidhi Danak at (434) 296-5854 by December 5, 2024. See Section VIII. Pre-Proposal Conference.

In compliance with this request for proposal and to all the conditions imposed therein, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish the goods/services herein.

By my signature on this solicitation, I certify that this firm/individual and subcontractor is properly licensed for providing the goods/services specified.

Name and Address of Firm:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(Signature In Ink)

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

(Please Print)

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

Virginia Contractor License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty Codes: \_\_\_\_\_

SMALL, WOMAN, MINORITY AND SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS:  YES;  NO  
*IF YES* ⇒ ⇒  SMALL;  WOMAN;  MINORITY;  SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED

**I have the authority to bind the corporation.**

*This public body does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with the Virginia Code § 2.2-4343.1 or against a bidder or offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment.*

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- I. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit sealed proposals to award one or more contracts to provide Excavating and Site Work Services for the County of Albemarle and Albemarle County Public Schools and/or other entities of the County of Albemarle (hereinafter referred to as "the County" or "Schools"). The contracts will be awarded as one all-encompassing contract for the services provided below.

Excavating and Site Work Services shall include several specific service types:

1. Excavation
2. Clearing, Grading, Leveling, and Stabilizing
3. Stream/Pond Restoration, Repairs and Maintenance Work
4. Stormwater Facilities and Drainage
5. Erosion and Sediment Control
6. Trail Building
7. Site Utilities
8. Cast-In-Place Concrete / Asphalt Pathways

In the event of multiple awards, the contractor best suited to the specific project (based on service type) or the contractor who is available and able to meet the schedule will be hired for the project. A Purchase Order pursuant to a quote and bonds (as required per Albemarle County Purchasing Manual) will be issued for each specific project.

- II. **BACKGROUND:** The County and County Schools often need Excavating Services that include typical sitework as well as more unique sitework tasks such as work in streams, repairs to stormwater facilities, and trail building.
- III. **PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE AND TERM OF ANTICIPATED CONTRACT:** One (1) year from final contract execution date with up to four (4) additional one (1) year renewals. Option to exercise renewal is the sole prerogative of Albemarle County and the Albemarle County Public Schools.
- IV. **COMPETITION INTENDED:** It is the County's intent that this Request for Proposal (RFP) permits competition. It shall be the Offeror's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Agent in writing if any language requirement, specification, etc. or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFP to a single source, or otherwise restrict competition. All comments, questions, or requests for clarification, including any notification regarding restrictions to competition, must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than seven (7) days prior to the date set for receipt of offers. Offerors may not rely on any oral explanations, clarifications, or changes to the solicitation. All explanations, clarifications, or changes will be issued in written form as detailed below. The [County] or [School Board] will not be bound by any oral statements.

All inquiries and any changes to the requirements of this solicitation shall be answered by issue of written addenda to the solicitation. It shall be the responsibility of the Offeror to acknowledge all addenda by signing and returning a copy of all addenda with the offer submission or by separate acknowledgement of each addendum by number and date, in writing. Offerors are advised to contact this office to confirm the number of addenda five (5) days before the date established for offer due date. All addenda will be issued by not later than five (5) days prior to offer due date.

- V. **STATEMENT OF NEEDS:** The selected Contractor(s) shall provide all labor, tools, equipment, and all incidentals required and/or implied for the complete and satisfactory performance of work necessary for Purchase Order(s) issued during the Contract Term.

This work shall include, however not be limited to, site preparation, excavation and grading for parking lots, buildings and other structures, ditch work for site utilities, demolition and hauling of debris, and other site work to be performed by the specified personnel and equipment on an hourly or other unit of measure rate basis.

The Commonwealth of Virginia Construction and Professional Services Manual — 2024 Revision 1 (hereafter referred to as the Manual), most recent edition, latest revision, shall apply to all work performed under this contract. In the event of a conflict between the solicitation, the resulting contract, Albemarle County Construction General Conditions and ACLG Terms and Conditions, order of precedence shall be, the contract, solicitation, Albemarle County Construction General Conditions, ACLG terms and Conditions, The Commonwealth of Virginia Construction and Professional Services Manual — 2024 Revision 1.

Projects shall be performed for Albemarle County Local Government offices and the School Board including but not limited to Parks and Recreation, Environmental Services Division, Facility Planning and Construction Division, Public Works Division and Albemarle County School's Building Services.

**DEFINITION OF WORK:** Term Contract Services are separated into specific types based on typical tasks and skills/equipment utilized. The Service Types are listed below. The Contractor must submit for all services (see Pricing Schedule, Attachment A). The contracts will be awarded for all services described herein, and not broken into individual pieces. Service Types are generally described as providing / furnishing all supervision, labor, tools, materials, equipment, and all incidentals required and/or implied for the complete and satisfactory performance of the following work:

1. **Excavation:** Digging and removing earth, rock, topsoil, borrow, channel, dredge, muck removal, trench excavation, or other materials to create a hole or cavity in the ground.
2. **Clearing, Grading, Leveling, and Stabilizing:**
  - \* Clearing - Removing vegetation, such as trees, shrubs, stumps, roots, debris, or other growth.
  - \* Grading & Leveling – Ensuring a level base or one with a specified slope for construction projects. Installation of stone, gravel roads, geo-textiles and other materials.
  - \* Stabilizing – Refining and improving the engineering properties of soils such as mechanical strength, permeability, compressibility, durability, and plasticity.
3. **Stream/Pond Restoration, Repairs and Maintenance Work:** Work conducted to improve the environmental health of a river or stream, in support of biodiversity, recreation, flood management and/or landscape development. Includes flood mitigation and clean-up, channel improvements, gabion construction, pond sediment removal, piers, decks, boardwalks, and boat ramps.
4. **Stormwater Facilities and Drainage:** This includes storage facilities (ponds, vaults, underground tanks, and infiltration systems); water quality facilities (wet ponds, bioswales, constructed wetlands, sand filters, and oil/water separators); and conveyance systems (ditches, pipes, and catch basins). Repairs, stabilization, installation of riprap, debris removal, culverts, and risers.
5. **Erosion and Sediment Control:** Work associated with controls to be put in place and maintained to reduce the amount of erosion and sedimentation that can occur on a project.
6. **Trail Building:** Work to clear, trim, remove obstacles, and create safe walking trails and paths. Includes walking trails, bike trails, bike /pedestrian pathways,
7. **Site Utilities:** Bringing gas, water, electric, fire mains, storm, and sewer through the site and to the building or facilities. Includes coordination with utility companies. And identification of existing utilities.
8. **Cast-In-Place Concrete / Asphalt Pathways:** Foundations, foundation walls, slabs, sidewalks, patios, curb and gutter, pads, and accessories to support this work. New work and demolition / maintenance.

#### **PROJECT QUOTE EXPECTATIONS:**

- Quotes Should Include:
  - Lump Sum Price OR
  - Optional Not to Exceed Time and Materials
  - Completion Date or Duration of Work Timeframe
  - ALL work based on a quote using hourly rates and unit pricing.
- The Project Manager must be notified of changes in conditions that could cause work to exceed the original quote prior to proceeding with said work.
- All invoices must include supporting documents for any time, rentals and material utilizing unit pricing.
- Work will be performed by the contractor or approved subcontractors / consultants.
- Contractor and subcontractors shall be a licensed insured contractor.
- Evaluation- response, completion time and quality of work will be evaluated on a per-project basis.
- Maximum Charge allowed at 2 hours for mobilization when Owner cancels work based on owner causes and contractor is at site. Travel and Mobilization included in hourly rates.
- A quoted mark-up per agreed contract is allowed to cover travel time and material handling.

#### **WORK HOURS – WEATHER:**

- Work shall be performed during the following hours: Monday-Friday 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, weather conditions permitting or as otherwise stated in the Project Order or Request for Quote.

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- The Contractor may work outside the stated hours with approval in writing by the Project Manager. The Contractor shall notify the Project Manager two (2) workdays in advance to allow such arrangements to be made for proper inspection. Hours of work may vary depending on traffic, weather or visibility.
- The County reserves the right to govern the Contractor's work hours in traffic or noise sensitive areas. The County can suspend work if conditions warrant that action. The County reserves the right to terminate or delay work based on weather conditions.
- The Contractor may request a delay due to weather at least 48 hours in advance of scheduled start, so County has adequate time to notify stakeholders of change.

**INSURANCE and BONDS:**

Bonds are required for work (limits per Albemarle County Purchasing Manual) and or if the County or School Board deem a Bond as necessary. See Attachment F for Insurance requirements.

**QUALITY OF WORKMANSHIP:**

All work shall be quality work performed in a professional manner in accordance with the standards of the industry, and to the complete satisfaction of the County. The Contractor shall be responsible for quality control measures to ensure that all work performance is professional, high quality and as efficient as possible. Except as directed otherwise by the County, the Contractor shall advise and/or select the best equipment ratios, types of equipment and arrangement of work sequences to suit each project.

**EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS:**

Equipment should be maintained in first-rate operating condition to produce satisfactory quality of work. The Contractor shall provide all fuel, oil, consumables, common equipment attachments, and maintenance servicing as necessary with each piece of equipment.

An Equipment List for equipment that could generally be used on a project is on the Pricing Schedule (see Attachment A). The Contractor must be able to provide and operate listed equipment (provided by lease, rental or ownership). Requests for unusual/unlisted equipment shall have a negotiated price based on Fair Market Value. A mark up of no greater than 10% is allowed for all rental equipment.

**MATERIALS:**

All materials purchased and used by the Contractor shall be billed at actual cost to the Contractor. Actual cost shall be defined as the exact dollar amount paid to a supplier by the Contractor for materials to be used on behalf of the County. Samples are to be provided upon request and delivered to the County Project Manager at no cost; usually within 48 hours of request. Also see submittals as part of the Scope of Project Order. A mark up of no greater than 10% is allowed for all purchased equipment.

**OPTIONAL SERVICES:**

1. **BLASTING:** The Contractor may be requested to provide blasting work as required by the County. All blasting work, including the possession, storage, sale, transportation and use of explosives and blasting agents, shall be in strict compliance with the most current edition of the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code.
2. **CORE DRILLING:** The Contractor may be requested to provide core drilling in stone, concrete, masonry and other similar materials. Core drilling shall be performed at a unit price for each hole size, per inch of depth. The unit price for core drilling shall include all labor, equipment and expendables, including drill bits.

**SCHEDULING:** Scheduling of work will normally be as follows:

- For the work described herein, including small projects, the Contractor shall provide equipment and personnel as requested by the County on an as-needed basis upon a 48-hour notice or as agreed to by County, ACPS and the Contractor.
- For large, scheduled projects, the County will notify the Contractor at least two weeks in advance and will provide appropriate personnel and equipment requirements.
- **EMERGENCY WORK** is defined as urgency of requirement, as determined by the County/School Board and will require being on site within 4 hours, and staying until the job is complete, or as agreed to in the Purchase Order / Quote.
- Billing at the Emergency rate shall only be allowed for Emergency work as mutually agreed
- Emergency Rates shall be billed at 1.5x the bid labor rate.

VI. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. RFP Response: In order to be considered for selection, proposals should be submitted electronically by the stated due date and time established herein, or as modified by an addendum hereto, through the [Albemarle County Procurement Intake Form](#) on the Albemarle County Procurement Solicitations Page: <https://www.albemarle.org/government/finance/procurement/solicitations>. Alternatively, a secure lockbox is available, at the exterior Visitors Entrance of the Issuing Agency, labeled *Vendor/Contractor Bids or Proposals Only*. Proposals may be placed in this box, prior to the established due date and time for each solicitation, or may be shipped//mailed, or hand delivered directly to the issuing agency shown above . One (1) original and one (1) copy of Microsoft Word or PDF format, must be submitted to the County as a complete sealed proposal. ***Regardless of the method of delivery, it shall be the Bidder's responsibility to ensure timely and accurate delivery. Bids delivered to the wrong location or received in the specified location late will not be considered.***
2. Redacted Copies: In addition to the copies of the RFP Response specified above, mailed proposals must include, both one (1) hard copy and also included on electronic media, a redacted copy of the proposal, in accordance with the identified proprietary or confidential information, as determined by the Offeror. The redacted proposal, with proprietary language data blacked out, will be made available to the public in accordance with § 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia in response to requests for documents. It shall be the **sole responsibility** of the Offeror to ensure the supplied, redacted copy protects the firm's interests with regards to proprietary or confidential information that, in accordance with § 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia may be considered protected information. Please see Attachment G.

No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the offeror.

3. Proposal Preparation:
  - a. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the offeror. All information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the County of Albemarle requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete, or lack key information may be rejected by the County. Mandatory requirements are those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.
  - b. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
  - c. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, subletter, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number and subletter should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of contents which cross-references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find where the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.
  - d. As used in this RFP, the terms "must", "shall", "should" and "may" identify the criticality of requirements. "Must" and "shall" identify requirements whose absence will have a major negative impact on the suitability of the proposed solution. Items labeled as "should" or "may" are highly desirable, although their absence will not have a large impact and would be useful but are not necessary. Depending on the overall response to the RFP, some individual "must" and "shall" items may not be fully satisfied, but it is the intent to satisfy most, if not all, "must" and "shall" requirements. The inability of an Offeror to satisfy a "must" or "shall" requirement does not automatically remove

that Offeror from consideration; however, it may seriously affect the overall rating of the Offerors' proposal.

- e. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.
  - f. Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for the County pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to the County and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the *Virginia Freedom of Information Act*. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the *Virginia Freedom of Information Act*; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of *Virginia Code* § 2.2-4342(F), in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line-item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable.
  - g. All costs of proposal preparation and presentation shall be borne by each offeror. The County is not liable for any cost incurred by the offeror prior to issuance of a contract.
4. Oral Presentation: Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to give an oral presentation of their proposal to the County. This provides an opportunity for the offeror to clarify or elaborate on the proposal. This is a fact finding and explanation session only and does not include negotiation. The County will schedule the time and location of these presentations. Oral presentations are an option of the County and may or may not be conducted.
- B. SPECIFIC PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS: Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that the County may properly evaluate your capabilities to provide the required goods/services. Offerors are required to submit the following items as a complete proposal:
1. Section 1 – Methodology/Specific Plan: Provide a description/narrative showing understanding of the needs as detailed in V. Statement of Needs and your approach and methodology for different types of projects. Identify the self-performed and the sub-contracted scope of work. Describe your mobilization strategy and plan to respond to the County/School Board's request for quotes. Describe your experience in use of innovative technology, for example – technology to address safety concerns, drones/equipment for surveying, etc.
  2. Section 2 – Experience: A written narrative statement to include:
    - Experience in providing the services described herein, including any relevant experience with local government and school projects.
    - Qualifications: Narrative or outline stating the staff and the Company
    - Company History: Number of years in business, license number
    - Staffing: Provide the names, qualifications, degrees, certifications, experience and licenses of key employees, contractors, and sub-contractors to be assigned to the project. Provide the length (time and number of projects) of relationship the vendor has with the proposed employees, contractors, and sub-contractors. Include resumes of staff to be assigned to this solicitation.
    - Certifications: license type, OSHA certified staff, subcontractors, i.e. deep trench work, confined space certification, etc.  
For example: Trail Building: Professional Trail Builders Association (PTBA)
    - References: Provide at least four references for which work of a similar nature to that described herein was performed within the past three years. The reference should include the name, title, address, phone number, and email for the person on the owner's team most intimate with the details of project being referenced. See Attachment B - Offeror Data Sheet.
      - Vendor to provide a project list with references on the Vendor Data Sheet, at a minimum of 2 of each type of service (Items 1 through 8) in Section I - Purpose

- Vendor is encouraged to provide additional projects with references on a separate sheet, as deemed appropriate by Vendor. The extra sheet of references might address abilities in more than one type of service.

Include Examples of work by

- Project name and location
- Type and unusual components (emergency? Deep trench?)
- Contracting agent (locality or private developer, owner)
- Contact information for personnel involved with the project.
- If subcontractors will perform a portion of the work on this contract, please provide the names of the subcontractors and the same qualifications information as requested in this Section.

3. Section 3 – Additional Information:

This section is to be used to provide the following information. In addition, you may add any other relevant information to this section.

- Provide **nonbinding estimates of price for services** (See Attachment A – Pricing Schedule)
- Describe any planned use of small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities and service disabled veterans in fulfilling this contract.
- Return the RFP cover sheet and all addenda acknowledgments, if any, signed and filled out as required.
- Attachment C – State Corporation Commission Form – Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4311.2(B), a bidder or offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 is required to include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission (SCC). Any bidder or offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law is required to include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the bidder or offeror is not required to be so authorized.
- Attachment D – Certification of No Collusion
- Attachment E – Certification of Crimes Against Children and Acts of Moral Turpitude
- Attachment F – Insurance Requirements
- Attachment G – Proprietary/Confidential Information Identification – See VI. A. 2, above.

VII. EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA:

This section is in two parts. The first part, “Evaluation Criteria,” explains how the proposals will be evaluated. The second part is the “Award of Contract” clause that states how the award will be made.

- A. EVALUATION CRITERIA: Proposals shall be evaluated by the County of Albemarle using the following criteria:

	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Point Value</u>
1	Specific plans or methodology to be used to perform the services. The ability, capacity, and skill of the vendor to perform the work described herein in a manner consistent with County goals and standards. See VI.B – Section 1	30
2	Qualifications and experience of offerors staff to be assigned to perform the services. The ability, experience, and continuity of the proposed staff, and sub-contractors to be assigned to the project including the capability of the required staff, and subcontractors to perform the services needed within the timeframe designated. See VI. B – Section 2	40
3	List of Contractor Owned Equipment	10
4	References	20
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

- B. AWARD OF CONTRACT: The selection process shall be as per *Virginia Code* § 2.2-4301(3)(b) for the procurement of non-professional services. Selection shall be made of two or more offerors deemed to be fully qualified and best suited among all the offerors on the basis of the evaluation criteria, including price. Negotiations shall then be conducted with each of the offerors so selected. Price shall be considered but need not be the sole determining factor. After negotiations have been conducted with each offeror so selected, the Purchasing Agent shall select the Offeror(s) which in their opinion has made the best proposal, and shall award the contract in such form, terms and conditions as found at Attachment H hereto. **A County and the School**

**Board contracts shall be signed by the parties as a requirement to receive an award pursuant to this solicitation.** Any Offeror that requires, as policy of the Offeror, certain terms and conditions to be included in the contract shall provide such with the written proposal submission. Albemarle County or Albemarle County School Board Terms and Conditions shall take precedence over any conflicting Offeror terms and conditions. Should the Purchasing Agent, determine in writing and in their sole discretion that only one Offeror is fully qualified, or that one Offeror is clearly more highly qualified than the others under consideration, the contract may be negotiated and awarded to that Offeror. The County and County School Board reserve the right to make multiple awards to multiple contractors, including awards at line-item pricing levels, as determined to be to the best advantage to the County or County School Board.

The County anticipates contract awards for up to two contractors but reserves the right to award more or less than two contracts as determined to best meet the County's needs. In the event of multiple awards, the contractor best suited to the specific project (based on service type) or the contractor who is available and able to meet the schedule will be hired for the project. The intent is to rotate work so that all contractors receive work, unless a poor evaluation affects distribution of work (see Section V. Statement of Needs). A Purchase Order will be issued for each specific project. The County at its sole discretion reserves the right to select Contractor in the best interest of the County based on price, availability, or specialized experience or expertise required for the specific project.

VIII. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: An optional preproposal conference will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, in Conference Room 241, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, VA, 22902, from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

IX. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. ADVERTISING: In the event a contract is awarded for supplies, equipment, or services resulting from this proposal, no indication of such sales or services to the County of Albemarle will be used in product literature or advertising. The contractor shall not state in any of its advertising or product literature that the County of Albemarle has purchased or uses any of its products or services, and the contractor shall not include the County of Albemarle in any client list in advertising and promotional materials, unless the contractor has been given written permission by a County representative who is authorized to sign on behalf of the County.
- B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD: Public notice of the award of this contract, or the announcement of the decision to award this contract, shall be given via a posting of written notice on the Procurement webpage at <https://www.albemarle.org/government/finance/procurement>.
- C. ANTI-TRUST: By entering into a contract, the contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the County of Albemarle all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the County of Albemarle under said contract.
- D. APPLICABLE LAWS & COURTS: This procurement transaction, and any resulting contract, shall in all aspects be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, notwithstanding conflicts of laws provisions and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth. The County and the contractor are encouraged to resolve any issues in controversy arising from the award of the contract or any contractual dispute using the dispute resolution process contained within the Albemarle County Purchasing Manual, Chapter 26-3. The contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
- E. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT: A contract shall not be assignable by the contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the County.
- F. AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS: Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4311.2 and in accordance with Title 13.1, Title 50, or as otherwise required by law, a contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized by the State Corporation Commission to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity and shall maintain registration as current through the life of the awarded contract.
- G. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS: It is understood and agreed between the parties herein that the County shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this agreement.

- H. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT: The County may terminate any agreement resulting from this solicitation at any time, for any reason or for no reason, upon thirty days' advance written notice to the Contractor. In the event of such termination the Contractor shall be compensated for services and work performed prior to termination.
- I. CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT: Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:
- A. The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract. No fixed price contract may be increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of the contract or \$50,000, whichever is greater, without the advance approval of the County Administrator or designee, and under no circumstances may the amount of this contract be increased, without adequate consideration, for any purpose (including, but not limited to, relief of the Contractor from the consequences of an error in its bid or offer).
  - B. The County may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give the County a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:
    - 1. By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
    - 2. By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the County's right to audit the contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
    - 3. By ordering the contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The contractor shall present the County with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. The County shall have the right to audit the records of the contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to the County within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from the County. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the contract price or time for performance shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this contract. Neither the existence of a claim nor a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this contract shall excuse the contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the County or with the performance of the contract generally.
- J. CLARIFICATION OF TERMS: The County will assume no responsibility for oral instructions, suggestion or interpretation. Any question regarding the offer documents and/or specifications shall be directed to the Procurement Division and any material change will be submitted to all Offerors through issuance of an addendum. **Any questions related to this solicitation MUST be submitted to the contact named on the first page of this solicitation no fewer than seven (7) work days prior to the bid opening or proposal closing date specified.** Questions should be in writing and electronic transmission is preferred. Questions submitted beyond the time specified above may be left unanswered if sufficient time does not allow a response to all prospective Offerors without causing an unacceptable delay in the process. Any contact with any County representative, other than that outlined within this solicitation, concerning this solicitation is prohibited. Such unauthorized contact may disqualify your firm from this procurement.
- K. COLLUSIVE OFFERS: The offer of any Offeror or Offerors who engage in collusive practices shall be rejected. Any Offeror who submits more than one offer in such manner as to make it appear that the offers submitted are not on a competitive basis from different parties shall be considered a collusive Offeror. The County may reject the offer of any collusive Offeror upon bid opening or proposal closing. However, nothing in this section shall

prevent an Offeror from superseding an offer by a subsequent offer delivered prior to bid opening or proposal closing which expressly revokes the previous offer.

- L. CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION: The contractor assures that, in the event that any awarded contract involves information and data obtained as to personal facts and circumstances related to patients, students or clients, such information and data will be collected and held confidential, during and following the term of this agreement, and will not be divulged without the individual's and the County's written consent and only in accordance with federal law or the Code of Virginia. Contractors who utilize, access, or store personally identifiable information as part of the performance of a contract are required to safeguard this information and immediately notify the County of any breach or suspected breach in the security of such information. Contractors shall allow the County to both participate in the investigation of incidents and exercise control over decisions regarding external reporting. Contractors and their employees working on this project may be required to sign a confidentiality statement.
- M. CONTRACTOR'S FORMS/BOILERPLATE CONTRACTS: All written agreements, contracts, service agreements, account applications, forms and other documents, of any nature, that the Contractor would require the County to sign in connection with any contract resulting from this procurement transaction, or the performance thereof by the Contractor, must be submitted along with the Contractor's offer. Under no circumstances shall the County be required to agree to any contractual provision (i) that would materially conflict with any provision of this solicitation, (ii) that would affect the price, quality, quantity or delivery schedule for any goods or services, or (iii) that would, in the County's sole discretion, materially alter the overall combination of quality, price and various elements of required services that in total are optimal relative to the County's needs, and the Contractor shall not condition its performance or delivery upon any such agreement by the County.
- N. CONTRACTOR LICENSE REQUIREMENTS: State statutes and regulatory agencies require that some firms be properly registered and licensed, or hold a permit, prior to performing specific types of services. If firms provide removal, repair, improvement, renovation or construction-type services they, or a qualified individual employed by the firm, must possess and maintain an appropriate State of Virginia Class A, B, or C Contractor License (as required by applicable regulations and value of services to be performed) for the duration of the Agreement. It is the firm's responsibility to comply with the rules and regulations issued by the appropriate State regulatory agencies. A copy of the license must be furnished upon request to the County of Albemarle.
- O. CONTRACTUAL CLAIMS: Contractual claims, whether for money or other relief, shall be submitted in writing no later than 60 days after final payment; however, written notice of the contractor's intention to file a claim shall be given at the time of the occurrence or beginning of the work upon which the claim is based. The County has established an administrative procedure for consideration of contractual claims, and a copy of such procedure is available upon request from the County's Purchasing Office. Contractual disputes shall also be subject to the provisions of Virginia. Code § 2.2-4363(D) and (E) (exhaustion of administrative remedies) and § 2.2-4364 (legal actions).
- P. DEBARMENT STATUS: By submitting their offers, offerors certify that they are not currently debarred by the Commonwealth of Virginia from submitting offers or proposals on contracts for the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
- Q. DEFAULT: In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, the County, after due oral or written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which the County may have.
- R. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4312, during the performance of this contract the contractor agrees as follows: (i) to provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor's employees; (ii) to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; and (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. For the purposes of this paragraph, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with the contract awarded to a contractor in accordance with this procurement transaction, where the contractor's employees are prohibited from engaging in

the unlawful manufacture, sale distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

- S. ERROR IN EXTENSION OF PRICES: In the case of error in the extension of prices the unit price shall govern.
- T. ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING: Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4367: By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies that their bid is made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other bidder, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their bid, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
- U. FORM W-9 REQUIRED: Each offeror shall submit a completed W-9 form with their offer. In the event of contract award, this information is required in order to issue purchase orders and payments to your firm. A copy of this form can be downloaded from <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>.
- V. HEADINGS: Section, article and paragraph headings contained within this solicitation have been inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference, and they in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of any term, condition or provision of this solicitation.
- W. IDLING REDUCTION REQUIREMENT: For any work performed within the City of Charlottesville, contractors are required to comply with the City of Charlottesville's Idling Reduction Policy for Motor Vehicles and Equipment, policy number 100-12. This policy is available at [www.charlottesville.org/purchasing](http://www.charlottesville.org/purchasing) under the Vendor Registration link.
- X. IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986: By entering into a written contract with the County of Albemarle, the Contractor certifies that the Contractor does not, and shall not during the performance of the contract for goods and services in the Commonwealth, knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- Y. INCLEMENT WEATHER/CLOSURE OF COUNTY OFFICES: If the County of Albemarle is closed for business at the time scheduled for bid opening or proposal closing, for whatever reason, sealed offers will be accepted and opened on the next scheduled business day, at the originally scheduled time.
- Z. INDEMNIFICATION: Contractor hereby assumes, and shall defend, indemnify and save the County and all of its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, claim, suit, damage, charge or expense including attorney fees which the County and all of its officers, agents and employees may suffer, sustain, incur or in any way be subjected to, on account of death of or injury to any person (including, without limitation, County officers, agents, employees, licensees and invitees) and for damage to, loss of, and destruction of any property whatsoever, which arises out of, results from, or is in any way connected with actions taken by the Contractor in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, or which occurs as a consequence of any negligence, omission or misconduct of the Contractor and any of Contractor's subcontractors, agents or employees in the performance of Contractor's or any of its subcontractors, agents or employees in performing work under this contract, regardless of whether such loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder.

Pursuant to Virginia law, the County of Albemarle, Virginia may not indemnify any party for any purpose. Any provisions in this agreement providing to the contrary are hereby deleted.

- AA. INSURANCE: By signing and submitting a proposal under this solicitation, the offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will purchase and maintain, at its sole expense, and from a company or companies authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Virginia, insurance policies containing the types of coverages and minimum limits specified in the attached document, INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS, protecting from claims which may arise out of or result from the Offeror's performance or non-performance of services under this Contract, or the performance or non-performance of services under this Contract by anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Offeror or for whose acts it may be liable.
- BB. NEW EQUIPMENT: Unless otherwise noted any equipment offers shall be new, unused, of current production and standard to the manufacturer. Where any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment are not described it

shall be understood that all equipment and appurtenances standard to or recommended by the manufacturer for complete and safe use shall be included as part of this offer.

CC. NON-DISCRIMINATION: By submitting their bids or proposals, offerors certify to the County that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginias with Disabilities Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act and Virginia Code § 2.2-4311. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipients religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (Virginia Code § 2.2-4343.1(E)).

Every contract over \$10,000 shall include the provisions:

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
  - A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability or any other basis prohibited by law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - B. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor shall state that it is an equal opportunity employer.
  - C. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
2. The contractor will include the provisions of No. 1 above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provision will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor

DD. NON-DISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS: A bidder, offeror, or contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the bidder or offeror employs ex-offenders unless the County has made a written determination that employing ex-offenders on the specific contract is not in its best interest. If the award of this contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, services, or disbursements provided pursuant to this contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, the public body shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.

EE. NON-DISCRIMINATION OF FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS: The County of Albemarle does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

FF. OFFER ACCEPTANCE: Bids or Proposals (Offers) must be submitted by the date and time stated in this solicitation. Offers will be date and time stamped upon receipt and retained unopened in a secure location until proposal opening. No consideration will be given to date of postmark or error in delivery to incorrect address. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure timely and correct delivery of Offer.

GG. ONLINE VENDOR REGISTRATION REQUIRED: In the event of contract award, vendor is required to register using the County's online vendor registration in order to issue purchase orders and payments to your firm. Further information regarding our online vendor registration can be found on our website at [www.albemarle.org/procurement](http://www.albemarle.org/procurement) or you can go directly to the site at <https://procurement.albemarle.org/bs/>.

HH. OSHA STANDARDS: All contractors and subcontractors performing services for the County are required and shall comply with all Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), State and County Safety and Occupational Health Standards and any other applicable rules and regulations. Also, all contractors and subcontractors shall be held responsible for the safety of their employees and any unsafe acts or conditions that may cause injury or damage to any persons or property within and around the work site area under this contract.

II. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS: All information, documents, and electronic media furnished by the County to the Contractor belong to the County, are furnished solely for use in connection with the Contractor's performance of Services required by this Agreement, and shall not be used by the Contractor on any other project or in connection with any other person or entity, unless disclosure or use thereof in connection with any matter other than Services rendered to the County hereunder is specifically authorized in writing by the County in advance. All documents or electronic media prepared by or on behalf of the Contractor for the County are the sole property of the County, free of any retention rights of the Contractor. The Contractor hereby grants to the County an unconditional right of use, for any purpose whatsoever, documents or electronic media prepared by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, free of any copyright claims, trade secrets, or any other proprietary rights with respect to such documents.

JJ. PAYMENT:

a. To Prime Contractor:

1. The County shall promptly pay for completed delivered goods or services by the required payment date. The required payment date shall be either: (i) the date on which payment is due under the terms of a contract for the provision of goods or services, or (ii) if a date is not established by contract, not more than 45 days after goods or services are received or not more than 45 days after an invoice is rendered, whichever is later. Separate payment dates may be specified for contracts under which goods or services are provided in a series of partial executions or deliveries to the extent that the contract provides for separate payment for partial execution or delivery. Within 20 days after the receipt of an invoice for goods or services, the County shall notify the supplier of any defect or impropriety that would prevent payment by the required payment date. In the event that the County fails to make payment by the required payment date, the County shall pay any finance charges assessed by the supplier that shall not exceed one percent per month. In cases where payment is made by mail, the date of postmark shall be deemed to be the date payment is made.
2. Individual contractors shall provide their social security numbers, and proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations shall provide the County with a federal employer identification number, prior to receiving any payment from the County.
3. Invoices for items ordered, delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/contract. All Invoices shall show the County contract number and/or purchase order number.
4. All goods or services provided under this contract or purchase order, that are to be paid for with public funds shall be billed by the contractor at the contract price, regardless of which County department is being billed.
5. **Unreasonable Charges.** Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, the County shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve any County department of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges which are not in dispute (Virginia Code § 2.2-4363).

b. To Subcontractors:

1. A contractor awarded a contract under this solicitation is hereby obligated:
  - a. To pay the subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the contractor's receipt of payment from the County for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the subcontractor(s) under the contract; or
  - b. To notify the County and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the contractor's intention to withhold payment and the reason.
2. The contractor is obligated to pay the subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent per month (unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract) on all amounts owed by the contractor that remain unpaid seven (7) days following receipt of payment from the County, except for amounts withheld as stated in (2) above. The date of mailing of any payment by U. S. Mail is deemed to be payment to the addressee. These provisions apply to each sub-tier contractor performing under the

primary contract. A contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor may not be construed to be an obligation of the County.

3. A contractor awarded a construction contract under § 2.2-4301 is hereby obligated:
  - a. Contractor shall pay all subcontractors in the manner provided in Virginia Code Section 2.2-4354(1).
  - b. Contractor shall pay all subcontractors in the manner provided in Virginia Code Section 2.2-4354(2-5).

KK. PERMITS AND FEES: All offers submitted shall have included in price, the cost of any business or professional licenses, permits or fees required by the County of Albemarle or the Commonwealth of Virginia. The offeror must have all necessary licenses to perform the services in Virginia and, if practicing as a corporation, be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

LL. PRECEDENCE OF TERMS: The following General Terms and Conditions: applicable laws and courts, anti-discrimination, ethics in public contracting, immigration reform and control act of 1986, debarment status, antitrust, mandatory use of county form and terms and conditions, clarification of terms, payment shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any Specific Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Specific Terms and Conditions shall apply.

MM. PUBLIC INSPECTION OF CERTAIN RECORDS: Except as otherwise provided, and in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-4342, all proceedings, records, contracts and other public records relating to the County's procurement transactions shall be open to the inspection of any citizen, or any interested person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (Virginia Code § 2.2-3700 et seq.). Any offeror, upon request, shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect bid or proposal records within a reasonable time after the opening of all bids but prior to award, except in the event the County decides not to accept any of the offers and to reopen the solicitation. Otherwise, bid or proposal records shall be open to public inspection only after award of the contract. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a offeror in connection with this procurement transaction shall not be subject to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, but only if the offeror (i) invokes the protections of Virginia Code § 2.2-4342 prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials; (ii) identifies the specific data or other materials to be protected, and (iii) states the reasons why protection is necessary. A general designation of a contractor's entire bid or proposal submission or volume as being "confidential" shall not be sufficient to invoke the protections referenced above.

NN. QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFERORS: The County may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offeror to perform the services/furnish the goods and the Offeror shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. The County reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. The County further reserves the right to reject any offer if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Offeror fails to satisfy the County that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.

OO. RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT OFFERS: The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers in whole or in part and to waive any informality in the offer. Informality shall be defined as a minor defect or variation from the exact requirements which does not affect the price, quality, quantity or delivery schedule.

PP. SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING AND EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE: It is the policy of the County of Albemarle to facilitate the establishment, preservation and strengthening of small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities and service disabled veterans and to encourage their participation in the County's procurement activities. Toward that end the County of Albemarle encourages these firms to compete and encourages other firms to provide for the participation of these firms through partnerships, joint ventures, subcontracts or other contractual opportunities. Offerors are asked, as part of their submission, to describe any planned use of such business in fulfilling this contract. Upon request, a list of certified businesses under this requirement shall be made available.

QQ. STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4311.2(B), an Offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 is required to include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission (SCC). Any Offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law is required

to include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the Offeror is not required to be so authorized. Link to the Virginia State Corporation Commission site: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/>.

RR. TAXES: Include only taxes applicable to the project in this bid or proposal. The County is exempt from State Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax. Tax Exemption Certificate indicating the County's tax-exempt status will be furnished by the County of Albemarle upon request.

SS. TESTING AND INSPECTION: The County reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications.

TT. TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING: All prices submitted must be FOB Destination - Freight Prepaid and Allowed. By submitting their offers, all offerors certify and warrant that the price offered for FOB destination includes only the actual freight rate costs at the lowest and best rate and is based upon the actual weight of the goods to be shipped. Except as otherwise specified herein, standard commercial packaging, packing and shipping containers shall be used. All shipping containers shall be legibly marked or labeled on the outside with purchase order number, commodity description, and quantity.

UU. USE OF BRAND NAMES: Unless otherwise provided in this solicitation, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict offerors to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named, but conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired. Any article which the County, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. The offeror is responsible to clearly and specifically identify the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable the County to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. This is required even if offering the exact brand, make or manufacturer specified. Normally in competitive sealed bidding only the information furnished with the bid will be considered in the evaluation. Failure to furnish adequate data for evaluation purposes may result in declaring a bid nonresponsive. Unless the offeror clearly indicates in its bid or proposal that the product offered is an equal product, such offer will be considered to offer the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.

VV. VIRGINIA GOVERNMENTAL FRAUDS ACT: Each offeror is and shall be subject to the provisions of the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act, Virginia Code, Title 18.2, Chapter 12, Article 1.1. In compliance with this law, each offeror is required to submit a certification that its offer, or any claim resulting there from, is not the result of, or affected by, any act of collusion with another person engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any act of fraud punishable under the Act. Any offeror who knowingly makes a false statement on the Certificate of No Collusion shall be guilty of a felony, as provided in Virginia Code § 18.2-498.5. As part of this offer a notarized Certificate of No Collusion must be submitted with the offer. Certificate attached.

WW. The terms and conditions set forth above within this solicitation shall be deemed incorporated into any contract resulting from this procurement transaction, as if set forth therein verbatim.

X. SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

A. ADDITIONAL SITES: The County of Albemarle reserves the right to add additional sites during the term of this contract as needed. When sites are added, all awarded Contractors will be contacted, and pricing will be requested. The additional site will be awarded to the contractor who submits the lowest pricing based on the requirements of that request. A contract modification will then be completed.

B. AUDIT: The contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the County of Albemarle, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or the County of Albemarle shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during the said period.

C. AWARD TO MULTIPLE OFFERORS: The County of Albemarle reserves the right to make multiple awards as a result of this solicitation. The award(s) will be made to the Offeror(s) meeting the requirements of the solicitation. The County of Albemarle reserves the right to conduct any tests it may deem advisable and to make all evaluations. The County of Albemarle also reserves the right to reject any or all offers, in whole or in part, to waive informalities and to delete items prior to making the award, whenever it is deemed in the sole opinion of the procuring public body to be in its best interest.

- D. CONTRACTOR LICENSE REQUIREMENTS: State statutes and regulatory agencies require that some firms be properly registered and licensed, or hold a permit, prior to performing specific types of services. If firms provide removal, repair, improvement, renovation or construction-type services they, or a qualified individual employed by the firm, must possess and maintain an appropriate State of Virginia Class A, B, or C Contractor License (as required by applicable regulations and value of services to be performed) for the duration of the Agreement. It is the firm's responsibility to comply with the rules and regulations issued by the appropriate State regulatory agencies. A copy of the license must be furnished upon request to the County of Albemarle.
- E. CONTRACTOR'S TITLE TO MATERIALS: No materials or supplies for the work shall be purchased by the contractor or by any subcontractor subject to any chattel mortgage or under a conditional sales or other agreement by which an interest is retained by the seller. The contractor warrants that he has clear title to all materials and supplies for which he invoices for payment.
- F. COOPERATIVE CONTRACTING: This procurement is being conducted by County of Albemarle in accordance with the provisions of *Virginia Code* § 2.2-4304. Except for contracts for architectural and engineering services, if agreed to by the contractor, other public bodies may utilize this contract. The Contractor shall deal directly with any public body it authorizes to use the contract. Albemarle County, its officials and staff are not responsible for placement of orders, invoicing, payments, contractual disputes, or any other transactions between the Contractor and any other public bodies, and in no event shall the County, its officials or staff be responsible for any costs, damages or injury resulting to any party from use of an Albemarle County contract. The County of Albemarle assumes no responsibility for any notification of the availability of the contract for use by other public bodies, but the Contractor may conduct such notification.
- G. DELIVERY AND STORAGE: It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to make all arrangements for delivery, unloading, receiving and storing materials in the building during installation. The owner will not assume any responsibility for receiving these shipments. Contractor shall check with the owner and make necessary arrangements for security and storage space in the building during installation.
- H. DELIVERY NOTIFICATION: The Agency shall be notified 24 hours (one full workday) prior to delivery of any items so that personnel may be available to allow access to the building or Site and verify items received. Notification shall be made to: The County or School Board project manager (contact) on the specific Project Order
- I. ERROR IN EXTENSION OF PRICES: In the case of error in the extension of prices the unit price shall govern.
- J. INSPECTION OF JOB SITE: The vendor is responsible for thorough examination of the documents and the project site prior to offering. Contractors will not be allowed extra compensation for conditions which could have been determined by examination of the documents and/or the site prior to submission of offers.
- K. NEW EQUIPMENT: Unless otherwise noted any equipment offers shall be new, unused, of current production and standard to the manufacturer. Where any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment are not described it shall be understood that all equipment and appurtenances standard to or recommended by the manufacturer for complete and safe use shall be included as part of this offer.
- L. QUANTITIES: Quantities set forth in this solicitation are estimates only, and the contractor shall supply at offered prices actual quantities as ordered, regardless of whether such total quantities are more or less than those shown.
- M. RENEWAL OF CONTRACT: Contract shall be for one-year beginning date of award with the option to renew under the terms of the original agreement for up to four (4) additional one-year terms if agreed upon in writing by both parties. Prior to the expiration date of the initial contract or any subsequent renewal, the Contractor may request price adjustments to be effective during the upcoming contract period. Price increases shall be limited to no more than the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), U. S. City Average, Other Services, for the most recently published twelve months as published by the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The base price to which any adjustments will be made shall be the prices in effect during the contract term prior to the proposed term.
- N. SCHOOL CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION: Contractor acknowledges that any contract resulting from this solicitation for services may require Contractor, Contractor's employees or other persons within Contractor's

control to have direct contact with Albemarle County Public School students on school property during regular school hours or during school-sponsored activities. As evidenced by the authorized signature below, Contractor hereby certifies to the County of Albemarle and to the Albemarle County School Board that all persons who will provide such services for or on behalf of the Contractor on public school property have not been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child.

Contractor hereby acknowledges that, pursuant to *Virginia Code* § 22.1-296.1, any person making a materially false statement regarding any such offense shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the fact of such conviction shall be grounds for the revocation of the contract to provide such services and, when relevant, the revocation of any license required to provide such services.

Contractor hereby agrees that this Certification shall be binding throughout the contract term, and that it will provide immediate notice to the County of Albemarle and the Albemarle County School Board of any event that renders this certification untrue.

O. MSDS: A Safety Data Sheet is required for all chemicals proposed to be furnished as a result of this bid. The SDS must; list all ingredients which constitute more than 1% of the product (.1% for known or suspected carcinogens); identify the product by common or chemical name; provide physical and chemical characteristics of any hazardous components; list any known acute or chronic health effects; specify exposure limits, precautionary measures, and emergency and first aid procedures.

XI. METHOD OF PAYMENT: Invoices will be processed within 30 days of receipt and received upon completion of the project unless otherwise negotiated.

XII. PRICING SCHEDULE: See Attachment A for the Pricing Schedule.

XIII. ATTACHMENTS:

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**ATTACHMENT A  
PRICING SCHEDULE**

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Contractors must bid on all services.

\*Quantities listed are for bidding purposes only. Actual quantities may be higher or lower than estimated quantities and may be none. Invoices shall be only for the quantities ordered and provided.

\*\*Submit Fully Burdened Hourly Rates for Non- Supervisory, Supervisory, Operator and Labor to include direct wage, overhead, G&A, fees, profit and any other burdens to be utilized for the project. No other bill cost will be allowed

Description	Quantity	Rate / Hour	Extended Price
Track Loader w/ Operator 110 HP, 4WD, min. 2CY bucket	320	\$	\$
Mini Track Loader	320	\$	\$
Rubber-Tire Loader w/ Operator Min. 110HP, 4WD, min. 2 CY bucket	320	\$	\$
Track Backhoe w/ Operator 4WD, min. 60HP, w/ 12", 24", 36" buckets	320	\$	\$
Rubber Tire Backhoe w/ Operator 4WD, min. 60HP, w/ 12", 24", 36" buckets	720	\$	\$
Dozer w/ Operator, min. 160HP	720	\$	\$
Ditch-Witch w/ Operator	320	\$	\$
Road Tractor w/ Operator	160	\$	\$
Tandem-Axle Dump Truck, min. 55,000 GVW	720	\$	\$
Single-Axle Dump Truck	320	\$	\$
Haul-Off / Disposal	100	\$	\$
Motor Grader w/ Operator	160	\$	\$
Farm Tractor	320	\$	\$
Air Compressor, Truck or Trailer Mounted	320	\$	\$
Generator, min. 3500 Watts	320	\$	\$
Vibratory Tamper w/ Operator	320	\$	\$

Description	Quantity	Rate / Hour	Extended Price
Concrete Saw	160	\$	\$
Trench Box, min. 8 feet	160	\$	\$
Pipe Laser	160	\$	\$
Skid Steer	320	\$	\$
Woodchipper	320	\$	\$
Stump Grinder	160	\$	\$
Trencher - Ride Style w/ Operator	720	\$	\$
Trencher - Walk Behind	160	\$	\$
Trench Rock Removal w/ Operator and Disposal	160	\$	\$
Long-Arm Excavator w/ Operator 188HP, 87,000 lbs, 64' Boom w/ Thumb Buck	160	\$	\$
Mini Crawler Carrier	720	\$	\$
Off-Road Gator (UTV)	720	\$	\$
Confined Space Hoist w/ Operator	360	\$	\$
Core Drilling	320	\$	\$
Laborer	1000	\$	\$
Skilled Laborer	1000	\$	\$
Operator	1000	\$	\$
Foreman	1000	\$	\$
Assistant Foreman	1000	\$	\$
Superintendent	1000	\$	\$
Assistant Superintendent	1000	\$	\$
Project Manager	1000	\$	\$

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Description	Quantity	Rate / Hour	Extended Price
Surveyor	1000	\$	\$
Mortar Mixers 7 CF	200	\$	\$
Mortar Mixers 12 CF	200	\$	\$
Concrete Mixers 6 CF	200	\$	\$
Concrete Mixers 9 CF	200	\$	\$
Georgia Buggy	200	\$	\$
Concrete Finisher - 36"	200	\$	\$
Ride-on Power Trowel - 48" +	200	\$	\$
Concrete Vibratory Screed	100	\$	\$
Walk-Behind Concrete Saw 14"-36"	100	\$	\$

**ATTACHMENT B**

**OFFEROR DATA SHEET**

Note: The following information is required as part of your response to this solicitation.

1. Qualification: The vendor must have the capability and capacity in all respects to satisfy fully all of the contractual requirements.

2. Vendor's Primary Contact:

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

3. Years in Business: Indicate the length of time you have been in business providing this type of good or service:

\_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

4. Vendor Information:

FIN or FEI Number: \_\_\_\_\_ If Company, Corporation, or Partnership

5. Indicate below a listing of at least four (4) current or recent accounts, either commercial or governmental, that your company is servicing, has serviced, or has provided similar goods. Include the length of service and the name, address, and telephone number of the point of contact.

A.	Company: _____	Contact: _____
	Phone: _____	Email: _____
	Dates of Service: _____	\$ Value: _____

B.	Company: _____	Contact: _____
	Phone: _____	Email: _____
	Dates of Service: _____	\$ Value: _____

C.	Company: _____	Contact: _____
	Phone: _____	Email: _____
	Dates of Service: _____	\$ Value: _____

D.	Company: _____	Contact: _____
	Phone: _____	Email: _____
	Dates of Service: _____	\$ Value: _____

I certify the accuracy of this information.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION & REGISTERED AGENT FORM

Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) registration information.

Code of Virginia § 13.1-757. A foreign corporation may not transact business in the Commonwealth until it obtains a certificate of authority from the Commission.

The bidder:

<input type="checkbox"/>	is a corporation or other business entity with the following Virginia SCC identification number: _____ <b>-OR-</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust <b>-OR-</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	is not required to obtain a certificate of authority from the Virginia SCC, pursuant to <i>Virginia Code</i> § 13.1-757(B) because its sole contact(s) with the Commonwealth consist(s) of: 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining, defending, or settling any proceeding; 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Holding meetings of the board of directors or shareholders or carrying on other activities concerning internal corporate affairs; 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining accounts in financial institutions; 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange, and registration of the corporation's own securities or maintaining trustees or depositories with respect to those securities; 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Selling through independent contractors; 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Soliciting or obtaining orders, whether by mail or through employees or agents or otherwise, if the orders require acceptance outside this Commonwealth before they become contracts; 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Creating or acquiring indebtedness, deeds of trust, and security interests in real or personal property; 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Securing or collecting debts or enforcing deeds of trust and security interests in property securing the debts; and holding, protecting, or maintaining property so acquired; 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Owning, protecting, and maintaining property; 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Conducting an isolated transaction that is completed within 30 consecutive days and that is not one in the course of similar transactions; 11. <input type="checkbox"/> For a period of less than 90 consecutive days, producing, directing, filming, crewing or acting in motion picture feature films, television series or commercials, or promotional films that are sent outside of the Commonwealth for processing, editing, marketing and distribution. The term "transacting business" as used in this subsection shall have no effect on personal jurisdiction under § 8.01-328.1; or 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Serving, without more, as a general partner of, or as a partner in a partnership which is a general partner of, a domestic or foreign limited partnership that does not otherwise transact business in the Commonwealth; or 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Transacting business in interstate commerce.
<input type="checkbox"/>	is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid <b>an opinion of legal counsel</b> which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned bidder's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia. <b>Attach opinion of legal counsel to this form.</b>

**Registered Agent Information**

Please specify the Registered Agent who will accept service of process on your behalf.

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

Physical Address (no Post Office Boxes):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I certify the accuracy of this information.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT D**

**CERTIFICATION OF NO COLLUSION**

The undersigned, acting on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, does hereby certify in connection with the procurement and offer to which this Certification of No Collusion is attached that:

This offer is not the result of, or affected by, any act of collusion with another person engaged in the same line of business or commerce: nor is this offer the result of, or affected by, any act of fraud punishable under Article 1.1 of Chapter 12 of Title 18.2 Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended (§§ 18.2-498.1 *et seq.*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Company Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Electronic Transaction Authorization:** By signing here, I \_\_\_\_\_ (typed/written name), agree that all transactions acts, and notices may be carried out by electronic means, unless the context would not permit a transaction, act, or notice to occur electronically.

**CODE OF VIRGINIA**

§ 18.2-498.4. Duty to provide certified statement.

A. The Commonwealth, or any department or agency thereof, and any local government or any department or agency thereof, may require that any person seeking, offering or agreeing to transact business or commerce with it, or seeking, offering or agreeing to receive any portion of the public funds or moneys, submit a certification that the offer or agreement or any claim resulting thereon is not the result of, or affected by, any act of collusion with another person engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any act of fraud punishable under this article.

B. Any person required to submit a certified statement as provided in paragraph A above who knowingly makes a false statement shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony. (1980, c.472)

**ATTACHMENT E**

**CERTIFICATION OF CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN AND ACTS OF MORAL TURPITUDE**

Contractor acknowledges that the implementation of this contract requires Contractor, Contractor’s employees and/or subcontractors to have direct contact with Albemarle County Public Schools’ students. Therefore, Contractor hereby certifies that neither Contractor nor, to the best of Contractor’s knowledge, its employees and/or subcontractors have been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child.

Contractor further certifies and shall indicate below whether Contractor and, to the best of Contractor’s knowledge, its employees and/or its subcontractors, who will have direct contact with Albemarle County Public School students, have been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude. Crimes of “moral turpitude” are those crimes involving lying, cheating or stealing.

For the purposes of this certification, "direct contact with students" means being in the presence of students during regular school hours or during school sponsored activities.

Contractor understands that, pursuant to Code of Virginia §22.1-296.1(C), making a materially false statement regarding offenses which are required to be included in the certification referenced above is a Class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the fact of such conviction shall be grounds for the revocation of the contract to provide such services and, when relevant, the revocation of any license required to provide such services. Albemarle County Public Schools shall not be liable for materially false statements regarding the certifications required under this Contract.



Have you or, to the best of your knowledge, any of your employees and/or subcontractors who will have direct contact with students been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude?

- NO
- YES (please explain)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Contractor**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## ATTACHMENT F

### INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. **INSURANCE:** By signing and submitting a proposal under this solicitation, the offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will purchase and maintain, at its sole expense, and from a company or companies authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Virginia, insurance policies containing the following types of coverages and minimum limits, protecting from claims which may arise out of or result from the Offeror's performance or non-performance of services under this Contract, or the performance or non-performance of services under this Contract by anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Offeror or for whose acts it may be liable:
- a. Workers' Compensation - Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Businesses who hire subcontractors who will perform the same trade or are hired to fulfill contract requirements must include the subcontractor's employees when determining the total number of employees for workers compensation. A waiver of subrogation in favor of the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers must be endorsed on the workers compensation policy. Contractors who fail to notify the County of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the Code of Virginia during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract. This policy shall specifically list Virginia as a covered state.
  - b. Employer's Liability - \$1,000,000 each accident/\$1,000,000 each disease-policy limit/ \$1,000,000 each disease-employee. This policy shall specifically list Virginia as a covered state.
  - c. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$2,000,000 aggregate limit, and a per project aggregate limit of \$2,000,000. CGL form CG 2010 11/85 edition or its equivalent is required to be endorsed to the commercial general liability policy. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury, advertising injury, contractual liability, and premises, operations and products and completed operations coverage. The County of Albemarle and its officers, employees' agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds and be so endorsed on the policy on a primary and non-contributory basis. CG 20 01 04 13 or its equivalent is required to be endorsed to the commercial general liability policy. A waiver of subrogation in favor of Albemarle County Government is required on the commercial general liability policy.
  - d. Automobile Liability - \$1,000,000 per accident. Coverage is to include hired, owned, non-owned, temporary, and leased vehicles. An additional insured endorsement in favor of the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is required on the Commercial auto policy on a primary and non-contributory basis. CA 04 49 11 16 or its equivalent is required to be endorsed to the commercial auto policy. A waiver of subrogation naming the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is also required on the commercial auto policy.
  - e. Umbrella Liability Coverage- minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 or greater; must be follow form and go over the underlying general liability, commercial auto and employer's liability policies. The County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds and be so endorsed on the umbrella policy on a primary and non-contributory basis. A waiver of subrogation naming the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is also required on the umbrella policy.

All insurance coverage:

1. shall be issued by an insurance carrier authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Virginia and rated A – VIII or better, by A. M. Best Company or equivalent rating from an alternate recognized ratings agency, and otherwise acceptable to the County;
2. shall be kept in force throughout performance of services;
3. shall be an occurrence-based policy; professional liability may be claims made basis;
4. shall include completed operations coverage;
5. shall contain a cross liability or severability of interest clause or endorsement. Insurance covering the specified additional insured shall be primary and non-contributory, and all other insurance carried by the additional insureds shall be excess insurance;
6. where additional insured required, such policy shall not have a restriction on the limits of coverage provided to the County as an additional insured. The County shall be entitled to protection up to the full limits of the offerors' policy regardless of the minimum requirements specified in the Contract.

**Proof of Insurance:** Prior to performance of any services or delivery of goods, the Offeror shall (i) have all required insurance coverage in effect; (ii) the Offeror shall deliver to the County certificates of insurance for all lines of coverage. The Offeror shall be responsible that such coverage evidenced thereby shall not be substantially modified or canceled without 30 days prior written notice to the County; and (iii) the Offeror shall deliver to the County endorsements to the

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policies which require the County and its officials, officers, employees, agents and volunteers be named as “additional insured”. Policies which require this endorsement include: Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability and, umbrella or excess liability coverage as detailed below. Such endorsements must be approved by the County, and (iv) upon the request of the County, provide any other documentation satisfactory to the County in its sole discretion, evidencing the required insurance coverage, including but not limited to a copy of the insurance policy and evidence of payment of policy premiums. The Offeror shall require each of its subcontractors and suppliers to have coverage per the requirements herein in effect, prior to the performance of any services by such subcontractors and suppliers. Further, the Offeror shall ensure that all Required Insurance coverages of its subcontractors and suppliers is and remains in effect during performance of their services on the Project and certifies by commencement of the Work that this insurance and that of subcontractors is in effect and meets the requirements set forth herein. The County shall have no responsibility to verify compliance by the Offeror or its subcontractors and suppliers.

**Effect of Insurance:** Compliance with insurance requirements shall not relieve the Offeror of any responsibility to indemnify the County for any liability to the County, as specified in any other provision of this contract, and the County shall be entitled to pursue any remedy in law or equity if the Offeror fails to comply with the contractual provisions of this contract. Indemnity obligations specified elsewhere in this Contract shall not be negated or reduced by virtue of any insurance carrier's denial of insurance coverage for the occurrence or event which is the subject matter of the claim, or by any insurance carrier's refusal to defend any named insured.

**Waiver of Subrogation:** The Offeror agrees to release and discharge the County of and from all liability to the Offeror, and to anyone claiming by, through or under the Offeror, by subrogation or otherwise, on account of any loss or damage to tools, machinery, equipment or other property, however caused.

**Sovereign Immunity:** Nothing contained herein shall effect, or shall be deemed to affect, a waiver of the County's sovereign immunity under law.

**Right to Revise or Reject:** The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to revise any insurance requirement not limited to limits, coverages and endorsements, or reject any insurance policies which fail to meet the criteria stated herein. Additionally, the County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any insurer providing coverage due to its poor financial condition or failure to operate legally.

**Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage** shall provide additional coverage limits over the underlying commercial general liability, commercial automobile, and employer's liability insurance with the broadest coverage available between the umbrella or excess liability policy and the underlying policies. This insurance shall name the County and its officials, officers, and employees and agents as “additional insureds” by **endorsement** to the Umbrella or Excess Liability policy on a primary and non-contributory basis. Such policy shall not have a restriction on the limits of coverage provided to the County of Albemarle as an additional insured. The County of Albemarle shall be entitled to protection up to the full limits of the Offeror's policy regardless of the minimum requirements specified in this contract.

**Professional Liability Insurance (When Required):** At its sole expense, and prior to commencing any activities under this Agreement, Offeror shall secure professional liability insurance, covering any damages caused by the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of the Offeror, its employees and agents in the performance of this Agreement, with coverage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim/\$2,000,000 aggregate (“Required Insurance”). Offeror shall maintain the Required Insurance in effect throughout the Term of this Agreement and for a period of three (3) years following final acceptance of the Project by the County. Upon execution of this Agreement, Offeror shall provide the County with a certificate of insurance, or other written documentation satisfactory to the County in its sole discretion, issued by Offeror's insurance company(ies), confirming the Required Insurance and the beginning and ending date(s) of Contractor's policy(ies). Upon receipt of any notice, verbal or written, that the Required Insurance is subject to cancellation, Offeror shall immediately (within one business day) notify the County. Offeror's failure to comply with any of the requirements of this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling the County to terminate this Agreement without notice to Offeror and without penalty to the County.

**ATTACHMENT G**

**PROPRIETARY/CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IDENTIFICATION**

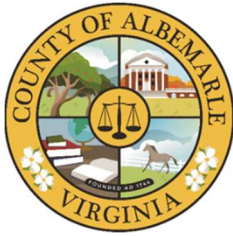
Name of Firm/Offeror: \_\_\_\_\_

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Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of § 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected including the section of the proposal in which it is contained and the page numbers, and state reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures or paragraphs that constitute trade secrets or proprietary information. In addition, a summary of proprietary information shall be submitted on this form. The classification of an entire proposal document, line item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable.

<b>SECTION/TITLE</b>	<b>PAGE NUMBER (S)</b>	<b>REASON(S) FOR WITHHOLDING FROM DISCLOSURE</b>

SAMPLE



**CONTRACT #«number»**  
**«Company»**  
 «Address1»  
 «Address2»  
 «City», «State» «PostalCode»  
**«corporate status, as confirmed by SCC»**  
**(Contractor)**

**COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE, VIRGINIA,**  
**a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,**  
 401 McIntire Road  
 Charlottesville, Virginia 22902  
**(County)**

This Agreement (the “Agreement” or “Contract”) made and entered into on this «AC executed Day» of «AC executed Month spelled out», «Signed Year» between the Contractor as identified above and the County, collectively, the Parties, hereby agree, in consideration of the mutual covenants and stipulations set forth below:

1. **Scope of Work:** Contractor agrees to perform such goods or services as specified in the County [Request for Proposals/Invitation for Bids] [RFP/IFB] # [2025-RFP-3010720] documentation, and said [RFP/IFB] is hereby incorporated in its entirety by reference and made a part of this Agreement. The detailed scope of work for this contract is included herewith as Exhibit A.
2. **Incorporation of Documents and Order of Precedence:** To the extent that it does not conflict with the terms of this agreement or the [RFP/IFB], the Contractor’s proposal/bid, dated [month day, year], is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement. In the event that a conflict or ambiguity exists or is created between this Agreement, the [RFP/IFB], or Contractor’s proposal/bid, the terms of this Agreement first and the [RFP/IFB] second, if necessary, shall govern and supersede any such conflicting or ambiguous terms.
3. **Payment/Consideration Schedule:** In consideration of the work to be performed by Contractor, as set forth in the section entitled, “Scope of Work,” the County agrees to pay Contractor for completed and accepted work as ordered under this Contract upon receipt of a valid invoice and, if not subject to a contract claim or claim for additional compensation as described herein, as determined by the County. Prior to start of work, Contractor will provide, and the Parties shall agree to a not-to-exceed proposal for any project when requested by the County. The not-to-exceed proposal shall include estimated, detailed hours worked under each rate category, estimated hours for each category of equipment, [and the rates for each of the forgoing in accordance with contract Exhibit B, attached hereto.] [Detailed pricing and maximum liability to the County for this Agreement is included herewith as Exhibit B.]
4. **Term:** The County's requirements of the products/services hereinafter specified are for the term of date of contract award«Contrdate» and terminating 365 days after contract award, with optional renewal clause for up to four (4) additional one (1) year terms. Renewal shall not be automatic, and any and all extensions shall by written agreement and signed by both parties in the same manner as the Agreement was executed.
5. **Non-Appropriation:** The continuation of the terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement beyond June 30 of any year, the end of the County’s fiscal year, are subject to its approval and ratification by the County and appropriation by them of the necessary money to fund said contract for each succeeding year. In the event funds are not appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal year

for payments due under this Agreement, the County shall immediately notify Contractor of such occurrence, and this Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the fiscal year for which appropriations were received without penalty or expense to the County of any kind whatsoever.

6. Preconditions to Obligation: It is understood and agreed between the parties to this contract that the County shall not be obligated to purchase or pay for materials by such contract unless and until they are ordered and delivered, and that quantities may be increased or decreased as required.
7. Faith-based Organizations: County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with Code of Virginia §2.2-4343.1.
8. Nondiscrimination: During the performance of this contract, Contractor agrees as follows:
  - A. Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of Contractor. Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this Nondiscrimination clause.
  - B. Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor, will state that Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
  - C. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
  - D. Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs A, B, and C in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
9. Drug-Free Workplace: During the performance of this contract, pursuant to Virginia Code Section § 2.2-4312, Contractor agrees to:
  - A. Provide a drug-free workplace for Contractor's employees.
  - B. Post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
  - C. State in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor that Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace.
  - D. Include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
10. Compliance with Immigration Laws: Contractor agrees that he does not and shall not during the performance of this Agreement knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, §2.2-4311.1.
11. Business Entity Registration. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4311.2, Contractor shall be registered and authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law. Contractor shall submit proof of such registration to the County. Additionally, Contractor shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50, to be revoked or canceled at any time during the term of the Agreement.
12. Compliance with All Laws: Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter adopted, in the performance of scope of work

set forth herein. Contractor represents that it possesses all necessary licenses and permits required to conduct its business and will acquire any additional licenses and permits necessary for performance of this Agreement prior to the initiation of work.

13. Business License Requirement: If Contractor is a business located in Albemarle County, Virginia or at any time during the performance of this Agreement obtains situs for purposes of business license taxes, it shall be unlawful for such business to conduct or engage in such business, trade, or occupation without having first obtained the proper license from the Albemarle County Department of Finance. Contractor covenants that it has a business license where one is required to perform this Agreement.
14. Non-Assignment: All of the conditions and provisions in this Agreement shall extend to and bind the legal representatives, successors and assigns of the respective parties. Neither party to the Agreement shall assign or transfer their interest in the contract without the prior written consent of the other, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
15. Audit: The Contractor shall maintain full and accurate records with respect to all matters covered under the Agreement including, without limitation, accounting records, written policies and procedures, time records, telephone records, reproduction cost records, travel and living expense records and any other supporting evidence necessary to substantiate charges related to the Agreement. Contractor's records shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction, during normal working hours by the County and its employees, agents or authorized representatives to the extent necessary to adequately permit evaluation and verification of any invoices, payments, or claims submitted by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. Such records subject to examination shall also include, without limitation, those allocations as they may apply to costs associated with the contract. The County's employees, agents, or authorized representatives shall have access to the Contractor's facilities, shall have access to all necessary records, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace, in order to conduct audits in compliance with this paragraph.
16. Termination with Cause: In the event that Contractor shall for any reason or through any cause be in default of the terms of this Agreement, the County may give Contractor written notice of such default by certified mail/return receipt requested at the address set forth in Section 20 herein. Unless otherwise provided, Contractor shall have ten (10) days from the date such notice is mailed in which to cure the default. Upon failure of Contractor to cure the default, County may immediately cancel and terminate this Agreement as of the mailing date of the default notice. Upon termination, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under the Agreement, and turn over to the County any work in process for which payment has been made. In the event of violations of law, safety or health standards and regulations, this Agreement may be immediately cancelled and terminated by County, and provisions herein with respect to opportunity to cure default shall not be applicable.
17. Termination without Cause: The County may at any time, and for any reason, terminate this Agreement by written notice to Contractor specifying the termination date, which shall be not less than thirty (30) days from the date such notice is mailed. In the event of such termination, Contractor shall be paid such amount as shall compensate Contractor for the work satisfactorily completed, and accepted by County, at the time of termination. If County terminates this Agreement without cause, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under this Agreement, and turn over to County any work completed or in process for which payment has been made.
18. Choice of Laws and Venue: This Agreement shall be governed by the provisions hereof and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excepting the law governing conflicts of laws. Disputes arising out of this Agreement shall be resolved in the courts of the Commonwealth of Virginia in and for Albemarle County.

19. Indemnification and Hold Harmless: It is understood and agreed that Contractor hereby assumes the entire responsibility and liability for any and all damages to persons or property caused by or resulting from or arising out of any act or omission on the part of Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, or employees under or in connection with this Agreement or the performance or failure to perform any work required by this Agreement. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County and its agents, volunteers, servants, employees, and officials from and against any and all claims, losses, or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses suffered by any indemnified party or entity as the result of claims or suits due to, arising out of or in connection with (a) any and all such damages, real or alleged, (b) the violation of any law applicable to this Agreement, and (c) the performance of the work by Contractor or those for whom Contractor is legally liable. Upon written demand by the County, Contractor shall assume and defend at Contractor's sole expense any and all such suits or defense of claims made against the county, its agents, volunteers, servants, employees, or officials.

20. Notices: All notices and requests required or permitted hereunder shall be sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, and to be effective, shall be postmarked not later than the final date for giving of such notice, or such notices may be sent by commercial messenger service, in which event, to be effective, such notices shall be delivered to a commercial messenger service not later than the final date for giving such notice. Alternatively, notice can be sent electronically to the parties and email addresses listed below.

Notices for County shall be addressed as follows:

[name of your project manager]  
[Name of school, department, or division]  
[street/ mailing address]  
[Charlottesville, VA 22902]  
[email address of project manager]

With a copy to:

Allison McNally  
Chief Procurement Officer  
401 McIntire Rd., Room 248  
Charlottesville, VA 22902  
[amcnally@albemarle.org](mailto:amcnally@albemarle.org)

Notices for Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

[Contractor responsible party name]  
[Contractor Business Name]  
[street/ mailing address]  
[City, State, zip]  
[email address of the Contractor responsible party]

Such addresses may be changed at any time and from time to time by like written notice given by either party to the other.

21. Entire Agreement: This Agreement and the documents incorporated by reference and included expressly as Exhibits to this Agreement constitute the entire agreement between the Parties. This Agreement supersedes all prior written or oral agreements or proposals between the parties, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified except in a writing signed by both parties that is expressly stated to be an amendment hereto.

22. Independent Contractor: Contractor shall agree and covenant that it is and shall be at all times, an independent contractor and, as such, shall have and maintain complete control over all of its employees and operations. Neither the Contractor nor anyone employed by it shall be, represent, act, purport to act, or be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee or servant of the County.

- Nothing in this section shall be deemed to absolve or otherwise limit the Contractor's liability and responsibility to safely and correctly perform its duties under this Agreement.
23. Waiver: No failure of County to exercise any right or power given to it by law or by this Agreement or to insist upon strict compliance by Contractor with any of the provisions of this Agreement, and no custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms hereof, shall constitute a waiver of the County's right to demand strict compliance with the terms of this Agreement.
24. Interpretation: Whenever the context hereof shall require, the singular shall include the plural, the plural the singular, and the use of any gender shall be applicable to all genders.
25. Severability: The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be severable, and should any one or more of such provisions be declared or adjudged to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be unaffected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.
26. Cooperative Procurement: This Agreement was awarded in accordance with Section 2.2-4304 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA), and in accordance with the Purchasing Manual of Albemarle County and the County. The procurement was conducted on behalf of the County and other public bodies. Therefore, pursuant to Code Section 2.2-4304, other public bodies and agencies shall have the right to utilize the provisions of the Agreement. However, when other public bodies and agencies utilize the contract, Contractor must establish a separate contractual relationship between it and the other party. Under no circumstances shall the County be a party to or incur any obligations or responsibilities, contractual or otherwise, in association with these contractual agreements between the Contractor and another public body or agency.
27. Contractual Claims and Dispute Resolution:
- a. **Compliance.** Strict compliance with this procedure is a prerequisite to proceeding with a claim under this Agreement, and no action or statement by County representatives waives such compliance. All notices and communications required by this section must be in writing.
  - b. **Intent to submit claim.** Contractor must notify the Purchasing Agent of its intent to submit a claim, whether for money or other relief, at the time of the occurrence or at the beginning of the work upon which the claim is based, whichever comes first. "At the time of the occurrence or at the beginning of the work upon which the claim is based" means within 48 hours or, if good cause is shown, within 5 business days. "Occurrence" includes:
    - i. The County transmits final payment; and
    - ii. A representative of the County states that the County will not pay a requested amount.
  - c. **Submission of claim.** Contractor must submit its claim no later than 60 days after it has notified the Purchasing Agent of its intent to file a claim. The claim must identify the time of the occurrence or the beginning of the work upon which the claim is based, state the basis for the claim, and identify with specificity the relief sought.
  - d. **Investigation of claim.** The Purchasing Agent shall investigate the claim. As part of the investigation, the purchasing agent may request that Contractor submit additional information, or appear before the Purchasing Agent, to support its claim. The period between such request and Contractor's response tolls the time within which the Purchasing Agent must respond to the claim. Failure to provide the requested information constitutes noncompliance with this procedure.
  - e. **Purchasing Agent's decision.** The Purchasing Agent shall render a decision within 30 days of receipt of Contractor's claim, setting forth the reasons for such decision. If the Purchasing Agent does not render a decision within 30 days, the claim is considered denied. For good cause, the Purchasing Agent may notify Contractor that more time is required to render a decision.
  - f. The Purchasing Agent may settle the claim. If resolution of the claim requires that the County pay additional money or forgo goods or services that it is arguably owed, then the Purchasing Agent's authority to settle the claim is limited to 25% of the value of the contract or \$50,000, whichever is greater.

- g. **Institution of legal action.** If Contractor is not satisfied with the Purchasing Agent’s decision, or the Purchasing Agent does not render a decision, it may appeal to the Circuit Court of Albemarle County. Contractor’s appeal must comply with the Virginia Public Procurement Act and Title 15.2 of the Virginia Code.
  - h. **Amounts not in dispute.** Contractor’s notice of an intent to file a claim does not permit the County to withhold or delay payment of amounts that it does not dispute. Purchasing Agent’s non-response to a claim within the required time constitutes a dispute of amounts claimed.
28. Payments to Subcontractors: In accordance with Virginia Code Section 2.2-4354 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the Contractor shall make payment to all subcontractors, as defined in the Code, within seven (7) days after receipt of payment from the County; or, shall notify the County and the subcontractor in writing of the intention to withhold all or part of the amount due with the reason for nonpayment. In the event payment is not made as noted, the Contractor shall pay interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month unless otherwise provided in the contract to the subcontractor on all amounts that remain unpaid after seven (7) days except for the amounts withheld as provided herein. These same requirements shall be included in each subcontract and shall be applicable to each lower-tier subcontractor. The Contractor shall provide the County with its social security number or federal taxpayer identification number prior to any payment being made under this Agreement.
29. Insurance: Contractor agrees to secure and maintain in full force and effect at all times during the term of this Agreement, the following policies of insurance:
- A. Workers' Compensation Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.
  - B. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, including contractual liability and products and completed operations liability coverages, in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limits (CSL).
  - C. Automobile Liability Insurance including coverage for non-owned and hired vehicles in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limits (CSL).
  - D. Umbrella Liability Coverage, of not less than \$1,000,000, must be follow form and go over the underlying general liability, commercial auto and employer’s liability policies.

All policies of insurance required herein shall be written by insurance companies licensed to conduct the business of insurance in Virginia and acceptable to the County, and shall carry the provision that the insurance will not be cancelled or materially modified without thirty days (30) prior written notice to the County. In certain cases, where coverage is unavailable through licensed carriers, certificates of insurance written by a Surplus Lines Carrier authorized by the Virginia State Corporation Commission to transact the business of insurance in Virginia and acceptable to the County may be approved. Contractor shall furnish the County with certificate of insurance showing Contractor’s compliance with the foregoing requirements.

For all insurance coverage except Workers’ Compensation and Professional Liability, the School Board and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds and shall be so endorsed to the policy or policies.

30. Payment/Performance Bonds: Contractor shall furnish to the County a payment bond and a performance bond in conformity with Va. Code § 2.2-4337 and/or 2.2-4339 each payable to the County and each in the sum of the Agreement amount. The performance bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement in strict conformity with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, and the payment bond shall be conditioned upon the prompt payment for all such material furnished or labor supplied or performed in the prosecution of the work. Each of the bonds shall be executed by one or more surety companies selected by Contractor which are licensed and legally authorized to conduct the business of insurance, including surety, within the Commonwealth of Virginia.
31. School Contractor Certification: Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 22.1-296.1, Contractor and

agrees and certifies by his signature below that any and all persons who will provide services for or on behalf of the Contractor on public school property have not been convicted of a felony; any offense involving the sexual molestation, physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child; or any offense for which registration is required as defined in Virginia Code Section 9.1-902. Contractor hereby agrees that this Certification shall be binding throughout the contract term and that it will provide immediate notice to the County of Albemarle and the Albemarle County of any event that renders this certification untrue.

Contractor hereby acknowledges that any person making a materially false statement regarding any such offense shall be guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the fact of such conviction shall be grounds for the revocation of this Agreement and, when relevant, the revocation of any license required to provide such services.

**COUNTY'S ACCEPTANCE**  
**County of Albemarle, Virginia**

**CONTRACTOR'S ACCEPTANCE**  
**«Company»**

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME (type/print) Allison McNally

NAME (type/print) \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE Chief Procurement Officer

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE**



**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT GENERAL CONDITIONS**

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## 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in these Construction Contract General Conditions (“General Conditions”) or in the Contract Documents, the following terms have the meanings indicated, which are applicable to both the singular and plural and the male and female gender thereof:

**Architect, Engineer, Architect/Engineer or A/E:** The term used to designate the Architect and/or the Engineer that contracts with the Owner to provide the Architectural and Engineering services for the Project. The A/E is a separate contractor and not an agent of the Owner. The term includes any associates or consultants employed by the A/E to assist in providing the A/E services.

**Beneficial Occupancy:** The condition after Substantial Completion but prior to Final Completion of the Project at which time the Project, or portion thereof, is sufficiently complete and systems operational such that the Owner could, after obtaining necessary approvals and certificates, occupy and utilize the space for its intended use. Guarantees and warranties applicable to that portion of the Work begin on the date the Owner accepts the Project, or a portion thereof, for such Beneficial Occupancy, unless otherwise specified in the Supplemental General Conditions or by separate agreement.

**Building Permit:** See “Permit” below.

**Change Order:** A document (Form AC-11) issued on or after the effective date of the Contract Between Owner and Contractor (Form AC-9) which is agreed to by the Contractor and approved by the Owner, and which authorizes an addition, deletion or revision in the Work, including any adjustment in the Contract Price and/or the Contract Completion Date. A Change Order once signed by all parties, with the exception of a Unilateral Change Order that is only signed by the Owner, is incorporated into and becomes a part of the Contract.

**Claim:** A demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking, as a matter of right, adjustment or interpretation of Contract terms, payment of money, extension of time or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract. The term “claim” also includes other disputes and matters in question between the Owner and Contractor arising out of or relating to the Contract. Claims must be made by written notice. The responsibility to substantiate claims shall rest with the party making the claim.

**Code of Virginia:** 1950 Code of Virginia as amended. Sections of the Code referred to herein are noted by §xx-xx.

**Construction:** The term used to include new construction, reconstruction, renovation, restoration, major repair, demolition and all similar work upon buildings and ancillary facilities, including any draining, dredging, excavation, grading or similar work upon real property.

**Contract:** The Contract Between Owner and Contractor, Form AC-9, hereinafter referred to as the Contract.

**Contract Completion Date:** The date by which the Work must be substantially complete. The Contract Completion Date is customarily established in the Notice To Proceed, based on the Time for Completion. In some instances, however, the Contract contains a mandatory Contract Completion Date, which shall be stated in the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposal, as applicable.

**Contract Documents:** The Contract Between Owner and Contractor (Form AC-9) signed by the Owner and the Contractor and any documents expressly incorporated therein. Such incorporated documents customarily include the bid submitted by the Contractor, these General Conditions, any Supplemental General Conditions, any Special Conditions, the plans and the specifications, and all modifications, including addenda and subsequent Change Orders.

**Contract Price:** The total compensation payable to the Contractor for performing the Work, subject to modification by Change Order.

**Contractor:** The person with whom the Owner has entered into a contractual agreement to do the Work.

**Date of Commencement:** The date as indicated in the written Notice to Proceed or a date mutually agreed to between the Owner and Contractor in writing.

**Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise noted.

**Defective:** An adjective which, when modifying the word Work, refers to Work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, deficient, does not conform to the Contract Documents or does not meet the requirements of inspections, standards, tests or approvals required by the Contract Documents, or Work that has been damaged prior to the A/E's recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by Owner at Substantial Completion or Beneficial Occupancy).

**Drawing:** A page or sheet of the Plans which presents a graphic representation, usually drawn to scale, showing the technical information, design, location, and dimensions of various elements of the Work. The graphic representations include, but are not limited to, plan views, elevations, transverse and longitudinal sections, large and small scale sections and details, isometrics, diagrams, schedules, tables and/or pictures.

**Emergency:** Any unforeseen situation, combination of circumstances, or a resulting state that poses imminent danger to health, life or property.

**Field Order:** A written order issued by the A/E or Owner which clarifies or explains the plans or specifications, or any portion or detail thereof, without changing the design, the Contract Price, the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date.

**Final Completion Date:** The date of the Owner's acceptance of the Work from the Contractor upon confirmation from the Architect/Engineer and the Contractor that the Work is totally complete in accordance with Section 43(b).

**Final Payment:** The final payment that the Contractor receives pursuant to the applicable provisions of Section 36, except in the event no final payment is made due to termination of the Contract under either Sections 40 or 41. In the event of a termination for cause under Section 40, the Final Payment shall be when the termination became effective. In the event of a termination for convenience under Section 41, the Final Payment shall be either the payment of compensation for termination that the Contractor receives according to the provisions of Subsection 41, or the Owner's determination that no compensation for termination is due the Contractor under Subsection 41, as the case may be.

**Float:** The excess time included in a construction schedule to accommodate such items as inclement weather and associated delays, equipment failures, and other such unscheduled events. It is the

contingency time associated with a path or chain of activities and represents the amount of time by which the early finish date of an activity may be delayed without impacting the critical path and delaying the overall completion of the Project. Any difference in time between the Contractor's approved early completion date and the Contract Completion Date shall be considered a part of the Project float.

**Float, Free:** The time (in days) by which an activity may be delayed or lengthened without impacting upon the start day of any activity following in the chain.

**Float, Total:** The difference (in days) between the maximum time available within which to perform an activity and the duration of an activity. It represents the time by which an activity may be delayed or lengthened without impacting the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date.

**Notice:** All written notices, including demands, instructions, claims, approvals and disapprovals, required or authorized under the Contract Documents. Any written notice by either party to the Contract shall be sufficiently given by any one or combination of the following, whichever shall first occur: (1) delivered by hand to the last known business address of the person to whom the notice is due; (2) delivered by hand to the person's authorized agent, representative or officer wherever they may be found; or (3) enclosed in a postage prepaid envelope addressed to such last known business address and delivered to a United States Postal Service official or mailbox. Notice is effective upon such delivery. All notices to the Owner should be directed to the Project Manager.

Notices transmitted by Facsimile (Fax) or Email are acceptable for the Project. If faxed, Notices shall be transmitted to the Fax number listed in the Contract and shall have a designated space for the Fax Notice recipient to acknowledge his receipt by authorized signature and date. The Fax Notice with authorized signature acknowledging receipt shall be Faxed back to the sender. If emailed, Notices shall be transmitted to the email address listed in the Contract. The Email Notice recipient shall acknowledge receipt by emailing back to the sender and responding to the Emailed Notice. Notice shall be effective upon the date of acknowledgment of the Faxed or Emailed Notice or the date of delivery, whichever occurs first.

**Notice to Proceed:** A written notice given by the Owner to the Contractor (with a copy to A/E) fixing the date on which the Contract time will commence for the Contractor to begin the prosecution of the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Notice to Proceed will customarily identify a Contract Completion Date.

**Owner:** County of Albemarle, Virginia and/or The County School Board of Albemarle County, Virginia.

**Permit:** The term "permit" as used herein shall mean any and all permits required to comply with local, state, and federal codes or laws (including but not limited to building permit, erosion and sediment control permit, and any other permit required by state, federal, and local jurisdictions).

**Person:** This term includes any individual, corporation, partnership, association, company, business, trust, joint venture, or other legal entity.

**Plans:** The term used to describe the group or set of project-specific drawings and/or Architect/Engineer sketches which are included in the Contract Documents.

**Project:** The term used instead of the specific or proper assigned title of the entire undertaking which includes, but is not limited to, the “Work” described by the Contract Documents.

**Project Inspector:** One or more persons and/or firms employed by the Owner to inspect the Work for the Owner and/or to document and maintain records of activities at the Site to the extent required by the Owner. The scope of the Project Inspector’s authority with respect to the Contractor is limited to that indicated in Section 16(e) and (f).

**Project Manager:** The Project Manager as used herein shall be the Owner’s designated representative on the Project. The Project Manager shall be the person through whom the Owner generally conveys written decisions and notices. All notices due the Owner and all information required to be conveyed to the Owner shall be conveyed to the Project Manager. The Owner may change the Project Manager from time to time and may, in the event that the Project Manager is absent, disabled or otherwise temporarily unable to fulfill his duties, appoint an interim Project Manager.

**Provide:** Shall mean furnish and install ready for its intended use.

**Schedule of Values:** The schedule prepared by the Contractor and acceptable to the Owner which indicates the value of that portion of the Contract Price to be paid for each trade or major component of the Work.

**Site:** Shall mean the location at which the Work is performed or is to be performed.

**Special Conditions:** Provisions of a contract that are specific to the project under consideration and do not fall under General Conditions or Supplemental General Conditions.

**Specifications:** That part of the Contract Documents containing the written administrative requirements and the technical descriptions of materials, equipment, construction systems, standards, and workmanship which describe the proposed Work in sufficient detail and provide sufficient information for the Code Official to determine code compliance and for the Contractor to perform the Work. (The General Conditions, any Supplemental General Conditions, Special Conditions, various bidding information and instructions, and blank copies of various forms to be used during the execution of the Work are usually bound with the Specifications.)

**Subcontractor:** A person having a direct contract with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of the Work. Subcontractor includes any person who provides on-site labor but does not include any person who only furnishes or supplies materials for the Project.

**Submittals:** All shop, fabrication, setting and installation drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, samples, and other data required by the Contract Documents which are specifically prepared by or for the Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work and all illustrations, brochures, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, diagrams and other information prepared by a Supplier and submitted by the Contractor to illustrate material or equipment conformance of some portion of the Work with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

**Substantial Completion:** The condition when the Owner agrees that the Work, or a specific portion thereof, is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that it can be utilized by the Owner for the purposes for which it was intended. The Owner at its sole discretion may, after

obtaining the necessary approvals and certificates, take Beneficial Occupancy at this time or choose to wait to occupy until after Final Completion is achieved.

**Supplemental General Conditions:** That part of the Contract Documents which amends or supplements the General Conditions.

**Supplier:** A manufacturer, fabricator, distributor, materialman or vendor who provides material for the Project but does not provide on-site labor.

**Time for Completion:** The number of consecutive calendar days following the issuance of the Notice to Proceed which the Contractor has to substantially complete all Work required by the Contract. When the Notice to Proceed is issued, it states a Contract Completion Date, which has been set by the Owner based on the Time for Completion.

**Underground Facilities:** All pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels or other such facilities or attachments, and any encasements containing such facilities which are or have been installed underground to furnish any of the following services or materials: electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, cable television, sewage and drainage removal, traffic or other control systems or water.

**Unilateral Change Order:** A Change Order from the Owner directing the Contractor to proceed with work within the scope of the contract which may be undefined or for which there is no agreement on the cost or time associated with the work.

**Work:** The services performed under this Contract including, but not limited to, furnishing labor, and furnishing and incorporating materials and equipment into the construction. The Work also includes the entire completed construction, or the various separately identifiable parts thereof, required to be provided under the Contract Documents or which may reasonably be expected to be provided as part of a complete, code compliant and functioning system for those systems depicted in the plans and specifications.

## 2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- (a) The Contract Between Owner and Contractor (AC-9), the Standard Performance Bond (AC-10), the Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond (AC-10.1), the Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (AC-12), the Affidavit of Payments of Claims (AC-13), the Contractor's Certificate of Substantial Completion (AC-13.2a), and the Contractor's Certificate of Completion (AC-13.2) issued by the County of Albemarle are forms incorporated in these General Conditions by reference and are made a part hereof to the same extent as though fully set forth herein. They must be used by the Contractor for their respective purposes.
- (b) All time limits stated in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the Time for Completion of the Work, are of the essence of the Contract.
- (c) The Contract Between Owner and Contractor shall be signed by the Owner and the Contractor in as many original counterparts as may be mutually agreed upon, each of which shall be considered an original.

- (d) Anything called for by one of the Contract Documents and not called for by the others shall be of like effect as if required or called for by all, except that a provision clearly designed to negate or alter a provision contained in one or more of the other Contract Documents shall have the intended effect. In the event of conflicts among the Contract Documents, the Contract Documents shall take precedence in the following order: the Contract Between Owner and Contractor; the Special Conditions; the Supplemental General Conditions; the General Conditions; the specifications with attachments; and the plans.
- (e) If any provision of this Contract shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate any other provision.
- (f) All correspondence, invoices, memoranda, submittals and other documents related to this Project whether generated by the Owner, the A/E, the Contractor or others should be identified at the beginning of the document with the Project Title shown in the Contract. Additional identification such as a job number, purchase order number or such may also be shown at the Owner's option.

### **3. LAWS, REGULATIONS AND PERMITS**

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and lawful orders of any public authority bearing on the performance of the Work and shall give all notices required thereby. The Contractor shall assure that all Subcontractors and tradesmen who perform Work on the project are properly licensed by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation as required by Title 54.1, Chapter 11, Articles 1 and 3, Code of Virginia, and by applicable regulations.
- (b) This Contract and all other contracts and subcontracts are subject to the provisions of Articles 3 and 5, Chapter 4, Title 40.1, Code of Virginia, relating to labor unions and the "right to work." The Contractor and its Subcontractors, whether residents or nonresidents of the Commonwealth, who perform any Work related to the Project shall comply with all of the said provisions.
- (c) IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986: By signing this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Contract violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.
- (d) The provisions of all rules and regulations governing safety as adopted by the Safety Codes Commission of the Commonwealth of Virginia and as issued by the Department of Labor and Industry under Title 40.1 of the Code of Virginia shall apply to all Work under this Contract. Inspectors from the Department of Labor and Industry shall be granted access to the Work for inspection without first obtaining a search or administrative warrant.
- (e) Building Permit: The Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code applies to the Work and is administered by the local Building Official. The Building Permit will be obtained by the Contractor and paid for by the Owner. All other permits, local license fees, business fees, taxes, or similar assessments shall be obtained and paid for by the Contractor. See Section 25 for utility connection fees and services.

- (f) The Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each Subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements in Subsections (a), (b), and (c) of Section 37 of these General Conditions with respect to each lower-tier Subcontractor and Supplier.
- (g) The Contractor, if not licensed as an asbestos abatement contractor in accordance with §54.1-514, Code of Virginia, shall have all asbestos-related Work performed by subcontractors who are duly licensed as asbestos contractors for the Work required.
- (h) Lead-Based Paint Activities: If the Contract Documents indicate that lead-based paint is present on existing materials, components, or surfaces, the Contractor shall conform to the following:
  - (1) The requirements set forth in 59 Federal Register 45,872 (September 2, 1994) Proposed Rule - Lead; Requirements for Lead-based Paint Activities (Proposed Rules) in selecting and performing the means, methods and procedures for performing the Work. This includes, but is not limited to, training of personnel, lead abatement, encapsulation of lead containing materials, removal and handling of lead containing materials, and methods of disposal. When the Final Rule, to be codified at 40 CFR 745, supersedes the Proposed Rule, the Contractor shall be responsible for conforming to the Final Rule, as of the effective date set forth therein.
  - (2) The requirements for employee protection contained in 29 CFR Part 1926, Subpart D, and the requirements for record-keeping contained in 29 CFR Part 1910.
  - (3) The Virginia Department of Labor and Industry's (DLI) Emergency Regulation published in the May 27, 1996 Virginia Register, requiring, among other things, that a permit be issued to the lead abatement contractor, or any subsequent regulation issued by DLI.
- (i) If the Contractor violates laws or regulations that govern the Project, the Contractor shall take prompt action to correct or abate such violation and shall indemnify and hold the Owner harmless against any fines and/or penalties that result from such violation. To the extent that such violation is the result of negligence or other actionable conduct of the Contractor, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold the Owner harmless against any third party claims, suits, awards, actions, causes of action or judgments, including but not limited to attorney's fees and costs incurred thereunder, that result from such violation.
- (j) Land Disturbance Activities: If the Work includes any land disturbing activities, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining an Albemarle County Land Disturbance Permit. The Contractor shall have an individual certified by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) as a Responsible Land Disturber (RLD) on the project site at all times during the construction project where land is being disturbed in accordance with §10.1-563, Code of Virginia.

All construction activities involving land disturbances equal to or exceeding ten thousand (10,000) square feet must be covered by a Virginia Stormwater Management Program (VSMP) permit approved and issued by the County in accordance with the County of Albemarle's Water Protection Ordinance. The Owner is responsible for securing permit coverage for all applicable land disturbing activities performed, including within any easements that directly relate to the construction site activity. The Contractor shall sign a certification statement to comply with all conditions of the

permit, shall accept assignment as the responsible party prior to issuance of the Land Disturbance Permit, and shall sign all Responsible Land Disturber (RLD) forms.

The Contractor shall be responsible for securing permit coverage for support facilities that are not located within the project limits of disturbance. The Contractor shall be responsible for all costs to obtain permit coverage for all support facilities (both on-site and off-site) not included in the construction plans or contract documents for the project. The Owner will not be responsible for any inconvenience, delay, or loss experienced by the Contractor as a result of his failure to gain access to any support facility areas at the time contemplated.

- (k) Environmental Permitting: The Contractor shall sign a certification to comply with all conditions of any environmental permits required for the project (e.g. wetland or stream mitigation permit, floodplain development permit, etc.). The Contractor shall adhere to any time-of-year restriction conditions as required by state and federal permitting agencies. No in-stream work shall be permitted during in-stream time-of-year restrictions.
- (l) Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Land Use Permit: The Contractor shall be responsible to obtain a VDOT Land Use Permit for projects requiring such permit. The Contractor shall be responsible for all costs associated with obtaining such permit.
- (m) The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all permits required to perform the work are obtained and that all conditions of those permits are met throughout the duration of the project.

#### **4. NONDISCRIMINATION**

- (a) §2.2-4311 of the Code of Virginia shall be applicable. It provides as follows:

“1. During the performance of this Contract the Contractor agrees as follows:

- (a) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- (b) The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
- (c) Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.

2. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs (a), (b) and c) in every subcontract or purchase order of over ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), so that the provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.”
- (b) Where applicable, the Virginians with Disabilities Act and the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act shall apply to the Contractor and all Subcontractors.

## **5. PROHIBITION OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS**

- (a) §2.2-4312 of the Code of Virginia shall be applicable. It provides as follows:

“During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor’s employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor’s workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. For the purposes of this section, “drug-free workplace” means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.”

- (b) The Contractor shall also establish, maintain and enforce policies which prohibit the following acts by all Contractor, Subcontractor and Supplier personnel at the Site:
  1. the manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of alcohol, marijuana or other drugs, except possession and medically prescribed use of prescription drugs; and
  2. the impairment of judgment or physical abilities due to the use of alcohol, marijuana or other drugs, including impairment from prescription drugs.

## **6. TIME FOR COMPLETION**

- (a) The Time for Completion shall be designated by the Owner on the Invitation for Bids, Request for Proposals or other prebid/proposal documents. In some instances, the Time for Completion may be stated on the Invitation for Bids, Request for Proposals or other prebid/pre-proposal document in the form of a Contract Completion Date. The Work must be substantially completed by the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date. Unless otherwise specified, the Contractor shall achieve Final Completion within thirty (30) days after the date of Substantial Completion.
- (b) The Time for Completion shall be stated in the Contract Between Owner and Contractor and shall become a binding part of the Contract upon which the Owner may rely in planning the use of the

facilities to be constructed and for all other purposes. If the Contractor fails to substantially complete the Work within the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date, as set forth in the Contract, he shall be subject to payment of actual damages incurred by the Owner or liquidated damages, if provided for in the Contract.

- (c) The Contractor, in submitting his bid, acknowledges that he has taken into consideration normal weather conditions. The listing below defines the monthly anticipated days of adverse weather for each month and is based upon NOAA climatological data for Charlottesville, Virginia. Adverse weather days shall be days of actual precipitation of 0.10 inch or greater.

<u>Jan*</u>	<u>Feb*</u>	<u>Mar*</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec*</u>
6	6	7	6	8	6	8	8	6	5	5	6

\* In addition to the anticipated days of adverse weather noted above, the Contractor must include one day of adverse weather impact (snow, ice, mud) for each day of actual adverse weather during the months of January, February, March, and December.

The anticipated days provided above will constitute the baseline for adverse weather time evaluations.

For projects not involving buildings, throughout the portion of the contract from the date of Notice to Proceed until the project is substantially complete, actual adverse weather days are to be recorded by the Contractor and verified by the A/E each month.

For projects involving buildings, throughout the portion of the contract from the date of Notice to Proceed until the building is “dried in”, actual adverse weather days are to be recorded by the Contractor and verified by the Architect each month. The building shall be considered “dried in” when the exterior block walls or stud and sheathing walls are in place, and a temporary (or permanent) roof is in place. Upon determination by the Owner and Architect that the building is in fact dried in, requests for additional time due to weather delays will not be accepted for any work within the building footprint.

The total anticipated adverse weather days for the project shall be the sum of all the monthly days for each month from the date of Notice to Proceed until the project is substantially complete, or until the date the building is to be “dried in”, according to the Contractor’s schedule.

If the total number of actual adverse weather days plus adverse weather impact days exceeds the anticipated adverse weather days determined above, the excess days may be used as a basis to determine whether a Contractor is entitled to a time extension. The adverse weather must have prevented work for fifty percent (50%) or more of the Contractor’s work day and delayed work critical to the timely completion of the project.

The Contractor’s schedule must indicate the critical (path) work and must reflect the above anticipated adverse weather days for all weather dependent activities.

- (1) The extension requested must be supported by a delay in completion of the entire Project shown on the critical path of the accepted CPM Schedule or the approved bar graph schedule

required for the Project. Extensions will be granted only for delays in completion of the Project, not for that portion of any delay which consumes only “float” time.

- (2) A request for extension of time based on abnormal weather must be made in writing within ten (10) calendar days of the completion of the calendar month during which abnormal weather is claimed at the Site.
- (3) All of the evidence and data supporting the request (including both historical data and the recordings at the Site during the time of delay) must be furnished to the Owner before any consideration will be given to the request. That supporting data shall be submitted by the end of the calendar month following the month for which the request is made. Time extensions for adverse weather related days granted by the Owner will extend the Contract Completion Date but will not include additional compensation to the Contractor. Weather-related time extension(s) shall not be compensable.
- (d) The Contractor represents and agrees that he has taken into account in his bid the requirements of the bid documents, local conditions, availability of materials, equipment, and labor, and any other factors which may affect the performance of the Work. The Contractor agrees and warrants that he will achieve Substantial Completion of the Work to allow the Owner to have Beneficial Occupancy not later than the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date. The Contractor agrees and warrants that he will achieve Final Completion of the Work (the entire completion of all Work, including “punch list” items), not later than the number of days as specified in the Contract Documents after achieving Substantial Completion.

## **7. CONDITIONS AT SITE**

- (a) The Contractor and its Subcontractors shall have visited the Site prior to bidding or submitting a bid or proposal and are totally responsible for having ascertained pertinent local conditions such as location, accessibility and general character of the Site, and the character and extent of existing conditions, improvements and work within or adjacent to the Site. It is understood that the Contractor accepts conditions at the site as of the date of its bid or proposal and no allowances will be made after award for any future error or negligence by Contractor or Subcontractors. Claims, which result from the Contractor’s failure to do so, will be deemed waived.
- (b) If, in the performance of the Contract, hidden physical conditions of a building being modified are exposed revealing unusual or materially different conditions from those ordinarily encountered or inherent in work of this nature, or if subsurface or latent conditions at the Site are found which are materially different from those frequently present in the locality or from those indicated in the Contract Documents, the Contractor must report such conditions to the Owner and to the Architect/Engineer before the conditions are disturbed. Upon such notice, or upon his own observation of such conditions, the Architect/Engineer shall promptly propose such changes in the Contract Documents as he finds necessary to conform to the different conditions. Any change in the cost of the Work or additional time needed for completion must be requested pursuant to Sections 38 and/or 42 of these General Conditions.

- (c) If the Contractor, during the course of the Work, observes the existence of any material which he knows, should know, or has reason to believe is hazardous to human health, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Owner. The Owner will provide the Contractor with instructions regarding the disposition of the material. The Contractor shall not perform any Work involving the material or any Work causing the material to be less accessible prior to receipt of special instructions from the Owner.

## **8. CONTRACT SECURITY**

- (a) For Contracts with a value exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), the Contractor shall deliver to the Owner or its designated representative, a Standard Performance Bond (Form AC-10) and a Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond (Form AC-10.1), each fully executed by the Contractor and one or more surety companies legally licensed to do business in Virginia and each in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the accepted bid. The bonds shall identify the name and address of an attorney-in-fact who is appointed to act on behalf of the surety within the Commonwealth of Virginia. The attorney-in-fact shall affix to the bond a certified and current copy of the power of attorney. If more than one Surety executes a bond, each shall be jointly and severally liable to the Owner for the entire amount of the bond. Sureties shall be selected by the Contractor, subject to approval by the Owner. No payment on the Contract shall be due and payable to the Contractor until the bonds have been approved by the Owner. The Standard Performance Bond and Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond will be held for one year after final acceptance of the Work or as described in the bond forms.
- (b) For the purposes of all Standard Labor and Material Payment Bonds entered into, the term “subcontractors” as used in §2.2-4337(A.2) of the Code of Virginia is interpreted to mean any contractors who participated in the prosecution of the Work undertaken by the Contractor (referred to in §2.2-4337(A.2) of the Code of Virginia as the “prime contractor”), whether such contractor had a direct contract with the Contractor (prime contractor) or whether there were one or more other intervening Subcontractors contractually positioned between it and the Contractor (prime contractor).
- (c) See §2.2-4338 of the Code of Virginia, for alternative forms of security for payment and/or performance bonds.
- (d) For contracts with a value of less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), the Contractor will not be required to provide a Standard Performance Bond and a Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond as described above unless the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposal states that such bonds will be required.

## **9. SUBCONTRACTS**

- (a) The Contractor shall, as soon as practicable after the signing of the Contract and prior to commencement of Work, notify the Owner and Architect/Engineer in writing of the names of all Subcontractors proposed for the Work and of such others as the Architect/Engineer may direct. Subcontractors whose names do not appear on the list must be approved by the Owner. Where the specifications establish qualifications or criteria for Subcontractors, manufacturers, or individuals

performing Work on the Project, the Contractor shall be responsible for ascertaining that those proposed meet the criteria or qualifications. The Contractor shall not employ any Subcontractor that the Owner may, within a reasonable time, object to as unsuitable. Neither the Owner nor the Architect/Engineer shall direct the Contractor to contract with any particular Subcontractor unless provided in the specifications or Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposal.

- (b) The Owner may select a particular Subcontractor for a certain part of the Work and designate on the Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposal that the Subcontractor shall be used for the part of the Work indicated and that the Subcontractor has agreed to perform the Work for the subcontract amount stipulated on the bid or proposal form. The Contractor shall include in his bid the amount stipulated by the Owner in the bid form. In such case, the Contractor shall be responsible for that Subcontractor and its work and all scheduling and coordination associated with the work. The Subcontractor shall be responsible to the Contractor for its work just as if the Contractor had selected the Subcontractor.
- (c) The Owner shall, on request, furnish to any Subcontractor, if practicable, the amounts of payments made to the Contractor, the Schedule of Values and Requests for Payment submitted by the Contractor and any other documentation submitted by the Contractor which would tend to show what amounts are due and payable by the Contractor to the Subcontractor.
- (d) The Contractor shall be fully responsible to the Owner for all acts and omissions of his agents and employees and all succeeding tiers of Subcontractors and Suppliers performing or furnishing any of the Work. Nothing in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between Owner or Architect/Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of Owner or Architect/Engineer to pay for or to see to the payment of any moneys due any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization, except as may otherwise be required by law.
- (e) The Contractor shall be fully responsible for his invitees at the Site and for those of his Subcontractors, Suppliers, and their employees, including any acts or omissions of such invitee.
- (f) The Contractor agrees that he alone is responsible for all dealings with his Subcontractors and Suppliers, and their subcontractors, employees and invitee, including, but not limited to, the Subcontractors' or Suppliers' claims, demands, actions, disputes and similar matters unless specifically provided otherwise by the Contract or by statute.

## **10. SEPARATE CONTRACTS**

- (a) The Owner reserves the right to let other contracts in connection with the Project, the Work under which may proceed simultaneously with the execution of this Contract. The Contractor shall afford other separate contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and the execution of their work. The Contractor shall cooperate with them and shall take all reasonable action to coordinate his Work with theirs. If the Owner has listed other separate contracts in the Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposal which it expects to proceed simultaneously with the Work of the Contractor, and has included the estimated timing of such other Contracts in the Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposal, the Contractor shall integrate the schedule of those separate contracts into his scheduling. The Contractor shall make every reasonable effort to assist

the Owner in maintaining the schedule for all separate contracts. If the work performed by the separate contractor is defective or performed so as to prevent or threaten to prevent the Contractor from carrying out his Work according to the Contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Owner and the Architect/Engineer upon discovering such conditions.

- (b) If a dispute arises between the Contractor and any separate contractor(s) as to their responsibility for cleaning up as required by Sections 31(c) and 31(d) of these General Conditions, the Owner may clean up and charge the cost thereof to the respective contractors in proportion to their responsibility. If a Contractor disputes the Owner's apportionment of clean-up costs, it shall be that contractor's burden to demonstrate and prove the correct apportionment.

## **11. CONTRACTOR'S AND SUBCONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE**

### **A. General Requirements:**

(a) **Certificate of Insurance-General Contractor:** Prior to execution of the Contract by the Owner, the Contractor shall provide written evidence (certificates of insurance) that he has obtained all the insurance required hereunder from an insurer authorized to do business in Virginia and such insurance has been approved by the Owner. Insurance providers must have an agent licensed to do business in Virginia. The Owner must be identified on the certificate(s) of insurance as an additional insured for all types of insurance coverage, except for workers' compensation and professional liability, and there shall be a statement provided on the certificate(s) confirming the Owner is named as an additional insured and so endorsed to the policy(ies). In the event of cancellation of this insurance, not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice must be sent to the Owner.

(b) **Certificate of Insurance-Subcontractor:** The Contractor shall not allow any Subcontractor to commence Work on his subcontract until the same types of insurance in an appropriate amount have been obtained by the Subcontractor and approved by the Contractor. The Owner shall have no responsibility to verify compliance by the Contractor, or its subcontractors or suppliers. Approval of insurance by the Owner shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder. In the event of cancellation of this insurance, not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice must be sent to the Owner.

**B. Insurance Requirements:** By signing and submitting a proposal under this solicitation, the offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will purchase and maintain, at its sole expense, and from a company or companies authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Virginia, insurance policies containing the following types of coverages and minimum limits, protecting from claims which may arise out of or result from the Offerors' performance or non-performance of services under this Contract, or the performance or non-performance of services under this Contract by anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Offeror or for whose acts it may be liable. The Supplemental General Conditions detail the minimum amounts required for this solicitation.

- (a) **Workers' Compensation** to include Employer's Liability of an amount not less than \$100,000/\$500,000/\$100,000. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Businesses who hire subcontractors who will perform the same trade or are hired to fulfill contract requirements must include the subcontractor's employees when determining the total number of employees for workers compensation. A waiver of subrogation in favor of the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers must be endorsed on the workers

compensation policy. Contractors who fail to notify the County of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the Code of Virginia during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract. This policy shall specifically list Virginia as a covered state.

- (b) General Liability – of an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$2,000,000 aggregate limit, and a per project aggregate limit of \$2,000,000.-CGL form CG 2010 11/85 edition or its equivalent is required to be endorsed to the commercial general liability policy. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury, advertising injury, arising out of premises, operations, and products and completed operations. The County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds on a primary and non-contributory basis and be so endorsed on the policy. A waiver of subrogation in favor of Albemarle County Government is required on the commercial general liability policy.
- (c) Automobile Liability – of an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per accident. Coverage is to include hired, owned, non-owned, temporary, and leased vehicles. The County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds on a primary and non-contributory basis and be so endorsed on the auto policy. A waiver of subrogation naming the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is also required on the commercial auto policy.
- (d) Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage- of an amount not less than \$1,000,000. Must be follow form and go over the underlying general liability, commercial auto and employers liability policies. The County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds on a primary and non-contributory basis and be so endorsed on the Umbrella or Excess Liability policy. A waiver of subrogation naming the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is also required on the commercial Umbrella or Excess Liability policy.
- (e) Environmental/pollution - of an amount not less than \$1,000,000. County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds on a primary and non-contributory basis and be so endorsed on the Environmental/pollution Liability policy. A waiver of subrogation naming the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers is also required on the commercial Environmental/pollution Liability policy.
- (f) Professional (E&O) Liability Insurance - of an amount not less than \$1,000,000
- (g) Cyber Liability - of an amount not less than \$1,000,000

**All insurance coverage:**

1. shall be issued by an insurance carrier authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Virginia and rated A – VIII or better, by A. M. Best Company or equivalent rating from an alternate recognized ratings agency, and otherwise acceptable to the County;
2. shall be kept in force throughout performance of services;
3. shall be an occurrence based policy; professional liability may be claims made basis;
4. shall include completed operations coverage;
5. shall contain a cross liability or severability of interest clause or endorsement. Insurance covering the specified additional insured shall be primary and non-contributory, and all other insurance carried by the additional insureds shall be excess insurance;
6. where additional insured required, such policy shall not have a restriction on the limits of coverage provided to the County as an additional insured. The County shall be entitled to protection up to the full limits of the offerors’s policy regardless of the minimum requirements specified in the Contract.

**Proof Of Insurance:** Prior to performance of any services or delivery of goods, the Offeror shall (i) have all required insurance coverage in effect; (ii) the Offeror shall deliver to the County certificates of insurance for all lines of coverage. The Offeror shall be responsible that such coverage evidenced thereby shall not be substantially modified or canceled without 30 days prior written notice to the County; and (iii) the Offeror shall deliver to the County endorsements to the policies which require the County and its officials, officers, employees, agents and volunteers be named as “additional insured”. Policies which require this endorsement include: Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability and, umbrella or excess liability coverage as detailed below. Such endorsements must be approved by the County, and (iv) upon the request of the County, provide any other documentation satisfactory to the County in its sole discretion, evidencing the required insurance coverage, including but not limited to a copy of the insurance policy and evidence of payment of policy premiums. The Offeror shall require each of its subcontractors and suppliers to have coverage per the requirements herein in effect, prior to the performance of any services by such subcontractors and suppliers. Further, the Offeror shall ensure that all Required Insurance coverages of its subcontractors and suppliers is and remains in effect during performance of their services on the Project and certifies by commencement of the Work that this insurance and that of subcontractors is in effect and meets the requirements set forth herein. The County shall have no responsibility to verify compliance by the Offeror or its subcontractors and suppliers.

**Effect Of Insurance:** Compliance with insurance requirements shall not relieve the Offeror of any responsibility to indemnify the County for any liability to the County, as specified in any other provision of this contract, and the County shall be entitled to pursue any remedy in law or equity if the Offeror fails to comply with the contractual provisions of this contract. Indemnity obligations specified elsewhere in this Contract shall not be negated or reduced by virtue of any insurance carrier's denial of insurance coverage for the occurrence or event which is the subject matter of the claim, or by any insurance carrier’s refusal to defend any named insured.

**Waiver Of Subrogation:** The Offeror agrees to release and discharge the County of Albemarle and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers of and from all liability to the Offeror, and to anyone claiming by, through or under the Offeror, by subrogation or otherwise, on account of any loss or damage to tools, machinery, equipment or other property, however caused.

**Sovereign Immunity:** Nothing contained herein shall affect, or shall be deemed to affect, a waiver of

the County's sovereign immunity under law.

**Right to Revise or Reject:** The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to revise any insurance requirement not limited to limits, coverages and endorsements, or reject any insurance policies which fail to meet the criteria stated herein. Additionally, the County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any insurer providing coverage due to its poor financial condition or failure to operate legally.

**Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage** which includes premises/operations, product/completed operations, and has per-occurrence limits as detailed in the Supplemental General Conditions. This insurance shall name the County and its officials, officers, and employees and agents as "additional insureds" by **endorsement** to the Umbrella or Excess Liability policy. Such policy shall not have a restriction on the limits of coverage provided to the County of Albemarle as an additional insured. The County of Albemarle shall be entitled to protection up to the full limits of the Offeror's policy regardless of the minimum requirements specified in this contract.

**Professional Liability Insurance:** At its sole expense, and prior to commencing any activities under this Agreement, Offeror shall secure professional liability insurance, covering any damages caused by the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of the Offeror, its employees and agents in the performance of this Agreement, with coverage in an amount as detailed in the Supplemental General Conditions ("Required Insurance"). Offeror shall maintain the Required Insurance in effect throughout the Term of this Agreement and for a period of three (3) years following final acceptance of the Project by the County. Upon execution of this Agreement, Offeror shall provide the County with a certificate of insurance, or other written documentation satisfactory to the County in its sole discretion, issued by Offeror's insurance company(ies), confirming the Required Insurance and the beginning and ending date(s) of Contractor's policy(ies). Upon receipt of any notice, verbal or written, that the Required Insurance is subject to cancellation, Offeror shall immediately (within one business day) notify the County. Offeror's failure to comply with any of the requirements of this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling the County to terminate this Agreement without notice to Offeror and without penalty to the County.

**C. Installation Floater:** if applicable, the Contractor is required to purchase an Installation Floater to cover their own property to be installed into a building. Coverage is provided for equipment and/or machinery being installed, renovated or repaired during the course of construction.

## **12. BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE**

(a) The Contractor, at his cost, shall obtain and maintain in the names of the Owner and the Contractor builder's risk insurance on a special causes of loss form, including the costs of excavations, backfills, foundations, underground utilities and site work (or fire, extended coverage, vandalism and malicious mischief insurance, if approved by the Owner) upon the entire structure or structures on which the Work of this Contract is to be done, and upon all material in or adjacent thereto which is intended for use thereon, to one hundred percent (100%) of the insurable value thereof. Such insurance may include a deductible provision if the Owner so provides in the Supplemental General Conditions, in which case the Contractor will be liable for such deductions, whenever a claim arises. The loss, if any, is to be made adjustable with and payable to the Owner, in accordance with its interests, as they may appear. The Owner, its officers, employees and its agents, shall be named as

loss payee in any policy of insurance issued. Written evidence of the insurance shall be filed with the Owner prior to execution of the Contract by the Owner. Insurance providers must be authorized to do business in Virginia and have an agent licensed to do business in Virginia. In the event of cancellation of this insurance, not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice must be sent to the Owner. A copy of the policy of insurance shall be given to the Owner upon demand.

- (b) Certain projects, such as renovations and interior modifications of existing buildings, may be covered by the Owner's insurance and may be excluded from the Builder's risk policy purchased by the contractor insurance required by this section. In those instances, the Supplemental General Conditions for the project shall expressly exclude the project from the requirements of Subsection 12(a).
- (c) Any insurance provided through the County of Albemarle, Virginia, for construction, additions or renovations will not extend to Contractor's nor Subcontractors' buildings, equipment, materials, tools or supplies unless these items are to become property of the Owner upon completion of the Project and the Owner has assumed responsibility for such items at the time of the loss.

### **13. TAXES, FEES AND ASSESSMENTS**

The Contractor shall, without additional expense to the Owner, pay all applicable federal, state, and local taxes, fees, and assessments except the taxes, fees and assessments on the real property comprising the Site of the project. The Owner shall pay inspection fees to the local building official except for reinspection fees resulting from incomplete or defective work.

### **14. PATENTS**

The Contractor shall obtain all licenses necessary to use any invention, article, appliance, process or technique of whatever kind and shall pay all royalties and license fees. The Contractor shall hold the Owner, its officers, agents and employees, harmless against any loss or liability for or on account of the infringement of any patent rights in connection with any invention, process, technique, article or appliance manufactured or used in the performance of the Contract, including its use by the Owner, unless such invention, process, technique, article or appliance is specifically named in the specifications or plans as acceptable for use in carrying out the Work. If, before using any invention, process, technique, article or appliance specifically named in the specifications or plans as acceptable for use in carrying out the Work, the Contractor has or acquires information that the same is covered by letters of patent making it necessary to secure the permission of the patentee, or other, for the use of the same, he shall promptly advise the Owner and the Architect/Engineer. The Owner may direct that some other invention, process, technique, article or appliance be used. Should the Contractor have reason to believe that the invention, process, technique, article or appliance so specified is an infringement of a patent, and fail to inform the Owner and the Architect/Engineer, he shall be responsible for any loss or liability due to the infringement.

### **15. ARCHITECT/ENGINEER'S STATUS**

- (a) The Architect/Engineer shall have authority to endeavor to secure the faithful performance by Owner and Contractor of the Work under the Contract. He shall review the Contractor's Submittals for conformance to the requirements of the Contract Documents and return copies to the Contractor with appropriate notations. He shall interpret the requirements of the plans and specifications and issue Field Orders to the Contractor as may be required. He shall recommend to the Owner suspension of the Work (in whole or in part) whenever such suspension may be necessary to ensure the proper execution of the Contract. He shall have authority to reject, in writing, Work, including material, installation or workmanship, which does not conform to the requirements of the plans and specifications. He shall determine the progress and quality of the Work, subject to the right of the Owner to make an overriding decision to the contrary. Upon request by the Contractor, the Architect/Engineer shall confirm, in writing within ten (10) days, any oral order or determination made by him.
- (b) The Architect/Engineer shall have no authority to approve or order changes in the Work which alter the design concept or which call for an extension of time or a change in the Contract Price.
- (c) The Owner shall have the right, but not the duty, to countermand any decision of the Architect/Engineer and to follow or reject the advice of the Architect/Engineer, including but not limited to acceptance of the Work.
- (d) All orders from the Owner to the Contractor shall either be transmitted through the Architect/Engineer or communicated directly to the Contractor and the Architect/Engineer by the Owner.
- (e) Should the Owner choose to employ another or different Architect/Engineer, the status of the Architect/Engineer so employed shall be the same as that of the former Architect/Engineer.
- (f) The Architect/Engineer will provide to the Owner and the Contractor after each visit to the Site, a written report indicating the date, time of day, weather conditions and the names of the persons representing the Architect/Engineer who participated in the visit. The report will advise the Owner of any problems that were noted and shall compare the Architect/Engineer's observations of the actual progress of the Work with that reported by the Contractor. On the basis of his on-site observations as Architect/Engineer, he will make every reasonable effort to guard the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the Work of the Contractor. He shall have the authority to inspect the Work, to note and report Defective Work and deviations from the Contract Documents to the Owner, to reject same, and to recommend to the Owner the suspension of the Work when necessary to prevent Defective Work from proceeding or being covered.
- (g) The Architect/Engineer shall not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures (other than those expressly specified in Contract Documents), or for safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work, and he shall not be responsible for the Contractor's failure to carry out the Contractor's own responsibilities.
- (h) The provisions of this section are included as information only to describe the relationship between the Owner, A/E, and Contractor. No failure of the A/E to act in accordance with this section shall relieve the Contractor from his obligations under the Contract or create any rights in favor of the Contractor.

## 16. INSPECTION

- (a) All material and workmanship shall be subject to inspection, examination and testing by the Owner, the Architect/Engineer, the Project Inspector, authorized inspectors and authorized independent testing entities at any and all times during manufacture and/or construction. The Architect/Engineer and the Owner shall have authority to reject defective material and workmanship and require its correction. Rejected workmanship shall be satisfactorily corrected and rejected material shall be satisfactorily replaced with proper material without charge therefor, and the Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove the rejected material from the Site. If the Contractor fails to proceed at once with replacement of rejected material and/or the correction of defective workmanship, the Owner may, by contract or otherwise, replace such material and/or correct such workmanship and charge the cost to the Contractor, or may terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed as provided in Section 40 of these General Conditions, the Contractor and surety being liable for any damage to the same extent as provided in Section 40 for termination thereunder.
- (b) Site inspections, tests conducted on Site or tests of materials gathered on Site, which the Contract requires to be performed by independent testing entities, shall be contracted and paid for by the Owner. The Contractor shall schedule all required tests, approvals and inspections of the Work or other work related to the Project. If items/areas to be inspected and/or tested are not ready for inspection when the testing agency/inspector arrives on-site at the pre-arranged time, the Contractor is responsible for all costs associated with inspection delays, including but not limited to reinspection fees. The Contractor shall give proper notice to all required parties of such tests, if feasible, so that the Owner and others may observe the tests at the normal place of testing. Unless otherwise required by the Contract Documents, required certificates of testing, approval or inspection shall be secured by the Contractor and promptly delivered to the Owner. Examples of such tests are the testing of cast-in-place concrete, foundation materials, soil compaction, pile installations, caisson bearings and steel framing connections. The Contractor shall promptly furnish, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities, labor and materials necessary and convenient for making such tests. Except as provided in (d) below, whenever such examination and testing finds defective materials, equipment or workmanship, the Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for the cost of reexamination and retesting. Although conducted by independent testing entities, the Owner will not contract and pay for tests or certifications of materials, manufactured products or assemblies which the Contract, codes, standards, etc., require to be tested and/or certified for compliance with industry standards such as Underwriters Laboratories, Factory Mutual or ASTM. If fees are charged for such tests and certifications, they shall be paid by the Contractor. The Contractor shall also pay for all inspections, tests, and certifications which the Contract specifically requires him to perform or to pay, together with any inspections and tests which he chooses to perform for his own purposes, but are not required by the Contract.
- (c) Where Work is related to or dependent on the Defective Work, the Contractor shall stop such related or dependent Work until the Defective Work or deficiency is corrected or an alternative solution is presented that is satisfactory to the Owner. Where Work is rejected because of defective material or workmanship, the Contractor shall stop like Work in other areas or locations on the Project until the matter is resolved and the Owner has approved corrective measures.
- (d) Should it be considered necessary or advisable by the Owner at any time before final acceptance of the entire Work to make an examination of any part of the Work already completed, by removing or tearing out portions of the Work, the Contractor shall on request promptly furnish all necessary

facilities, labor and material to expose the Work to be tested to the extent required. If such Work is found to be defective in any respect, due to the fault of the Contractor or his Subcontractors, the Contractor shall defray all the expenses of uncovering the Work, of examination and testing, and of satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such Work is found to meet the requirements of the Contract, the actual cost of the Contractor's labor and material necessarily involved in uncovering the Work, the cost of examination and testing, and Contractor's cost of material and labor necessary for replacement including a markup of ten percent (10%) for overhead and profit shall be paid to the Contractor and he shall, in addition, if completion of the Work has been delayed thereby, be granted a suitable extension of time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor shall be responsible for all costs and expenses in removing and replacing the Work if the Contractor had covered the Work prior to any inspection or test contrary to the instructions of the A/E, Owner or Project Inspector.

(e) The Project Inspector has the right and the authority to:

- (1) Inspect all construction materials, equipment, and supplies for quality and for compliance with the Contract Documents and/or approved shop drawings and submittals;
- (2) Inspect workmanship for compliance with the standards described in the Contract Documents;
- (3) Observe and report on all tests and inspections performed by the Contractor;
- (4) Recommend rejection of Work which does not conform to requirements of the Contract Documents;
- (5) Keep a record of construction activities, tests, inspections, and reports;
- (6) Attend all joint Site construction meetings and inspections held by the Owner and/or the A/E with the Contractor;
- (7) Check materials and equipment, together with documentation related thereto, delivered for conformance with approved Submittals and the Contract;
- (8) Check installations for proper workmanship and conformance with shop drawing and installation instructions;
- (9) Assist in the review and verification of the Schedule of Values & Certificate for Payment, submitted by the Contractor each month;
- (10) Do all things for or on behalf of the Owner as the Owner may subsequently direct in writing.

(f) The Project Inspector has no authority to:

- (1) Authorize deviations from the Contract Documents;
- (2) Enter into the area of responsibility of the Contractor's superintendent;
- (3) Issue directions relative to any aspect of construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or in regard to safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work;

- (4) Authorize or suggest that the Owner occupy the Project, in whole or in part; or
- (5) Issue a certificate for payment.
- (g) The duties of the Project Inspector are for the benefit of the Owner only and not for the Contractor. The Contractor may not rely upon any act, statement, or failure to act on the part of the Project Inspector, nor shall the failure of the Project Inspector to properly perform his duties in any way excuse Defective Work or otherwise improper performance of the Contract by the Contractor.

## **17. PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION BY CONTRACTOR**

- (a) The Contractor shall have a competent project manager or superintendent, satisfactory to the Architect/Engineer and the Owner, on the Site at all times during the progress of the Work. The Contractor shall submit for approval by the Owner and Architect/Engineer the resumes for the proposed project manager and superintendent within ten (10) days from Notice of Intent to Award Contract. The project manager and superintendent shall be familiar with and be able to read and understand the plans and specifications, and be capable of communicating orally and in writing with the Owner's project manager and/or inspectors and the Contractor's workers. The Contractor shall be responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures, for coordinating all portions of the Work under the Contract except where otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, and for all safety and worker health programs and practices. The Contractor shall notify the Owner, in writing, and obtain approval, of any proposed change in project manager or superintendent, including the reason therefor, prior to making such change.
- (b) The Contractor shall, at all times, enforce strict discipline and good order among the workers on the Project, and shall not employ on the Work, or contract with, any unfit person, anyone not skilled in the Work assigned to him, or anyone who will not work in harmony with those employed by the Contractor, the Subcontractors, the Owner or the Owner's separate contractors and their subcontractors.
- (c) The Owner may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove from the Site any employee or Subcontractor's employee the Owner deems to be incompetent, careless, not working in harmony with others on the Site, or otherwise objectionable, but the Owner shall have no obligation to do so.

## **18. CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION, METHODS AND PROCEDURES**

- (a) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for supervising and directing the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction and for coordinating all portions of the Work under the Contract, except where otherwise specified in the Contract Documents. However, the Contractor shall not be responsible for the negligence of others in the design or selection of a specific means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction which is indicated in and required by the Contract. The Contractor is solely responsible to the Owner that the finished Work complies with the Contract Documents.

The Contractor shall be solely responsible for health and safety precautions and programs for workers and others in connection with the Work. No inspection by, knowledge on the part of, or acquiescence by the Architect or Engineer, the Project Inspector, the Owner, the Owner's employees and agents, or any other entity whatever shall relieve the Contractor from its sole responsibility for compliance with the requirements of the Contract or its sole responsibility for health and safety programs and precautions.

- (b) If a specific means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction is indicated in or required by the Contract Documents, the Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, sequence, technique or procedure of construction acceptable to Architect/Engineer, subject to the Owner's right to disapprove. The Contractor must submit its written request for the substitution to the Architect/Engineer with sufficient information to allow the Architect/Engineer to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that indicated or required by the Contract.
- (c) The divisions and sections of the Specifications and the identification of any drawings shall not control the Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or Suppliers or delineating the Work to be performed by any specific trade.

## 19. SCHEDULE OF THE WORK

- (a) **General:** The Contractor is responsible for the scheduling and sequencing of the Work, for coordinating the Work, for monitoring the progress of the Work, and for taking appropriate action to keep the Work on schedule. The Contractor may attempt to achieve Substantial Completion on or before the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date established by the Contract and receive payment in accordance with Section 36 for the Work completed each period. However, the date established by the Contract Documents as the deadline for achieving Substantial Completion must be used in all schedules as the date on which Substantial Completion will be achieved. The time (in days) between the Contractor's planned early completion and the contracted Time for Completion is part of the Project "Total Float" time and will be used as such. Extensions of time pursuant to Sections 38 and 42, damages for delay, and all other matters between the Owner and the Contractor will be determined using the contractually required Substantial Completion date, not an early Substantial Completion date planned by the Contractor.

Within two (2) weeks after the Contractor signs the Contract Between Owner and Contractor, unless otherwise extended by the Owner at the time of the signing, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Owner, with a copy to the Architect/Engineer, a preliminary bar graph milestone schedule for accomplishing the Work based upon the Time for Completion stated in the Contract. The preliminary bar graph schedule shall be in sufficient detail to show the sequencing of the various trades for each floor level, wing or work area. The Owner will notify the Contractor of its acceptance of or objections to the preliminary schedule within seven (7) days of receipt by the Owner. A fully complete Project schedule for accomplishing the Work must be submitted and approved by the Owner prior to making application for the first payment.

The Owner's failure to reject or its acceptance of any schedule, graph, chart, recovery schedule, updated schedule, plan of action, etc. shall not constitute a representation or warranty by the Owner, including but not limited to a representation or warranty that the schedule is feasible or practical nor

shall any such acceptance or failure to reject relieve the Contractor from sole responsibility for completing the Work within the time allowed.

No progress payments will be payable to the Contractor until after it has submitted a preliminary schedule which is acceptable to the Owner. Neither the second progress payment nor any subsequent payment shall be payable to the Contractor until it has submitted a fully complete Project schedule accepted by the Owner. Nor shall subsequent progress payments be payable to the Contractor unless and until he maintains the monthly bar graphs or status reports required by Section 19(e) herein or unless and until he provides any recovery schedule pursuant to Section 19(f) herein.

Failure to provide a satisfactory preliminary or fully complete Project schedule within the time limits stated above shall be a breach of contract for which the Owner may terminate the Contract in the manner provided in Section 40 of these General Conditions.

The fully complete Project schedule for accomplishing the Work shall be of the type set forth in subparagraph (1) or (2) below, as appropriate:

- (1) For Contracts with a price of \$500,000 or less, a bar graph schedule will satisfy the above requirement. The schedule shall indicate the estimated starting and completion dates for each major element of the work. See (b) below.
  - (2) For Contracts with a price over \$500,000, a Critical Path Method (CPM) schedule shall be utilized to control the planning and scheduling of the Work. The CPM schedule shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall be paid for by the Contractor. See (c) below.
- (b) **Bar Graph Schedule:** Where a bar graph schedule is required, it shall be time-scaled in weekly increments, shall indicate the estimated starting and completion dates for each major element of the Work by trade and by area, level, or zone, and shall schedule dates for all salient features, including but not limited to the placing of orders for materials, submission of shop drawings and other Submittals for approval, approval of shop drawings by Architect/Engineer, the manufacture and delivery of material, the testing and the installation of materials, supplies and equipment, and all Work activities to be performed by the Contractor.

The Contractor shall allow sufficient time in his schedule for adverse weather anticipated in Section 6 and for the A/E to conduct whatever associated reviews or inspections as may be required under the A/E's contract with the Owner. If the A/E and the Contractor are unable to agree as to what constitutes sufficient time, the Owner shall determine the appropriate duration for such Architect/Engineer activities. Each Work activity will be assigned a time estimate by the Contractor. One day shall be the smallest time unit used.

It is the Contractor's responsibility to submit a schedule that shows Substantial Completion of the Work by the Contract Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date and any interim deadlines established by the Contract.

- (c) **CPM Schedule:** Where a CPM schedule is required, it shall be in the time-scaled precedence format using the Contractor's logic and time estimates. The CPM schedule shall be drawn or plotted with activities grouped or zoned by Work area or subcontract as opposed to a random (or scattered) format.

The CPM schedule shall be time-scaled on a weekly basis and shall be drawn or plotted at a level of detail and logic which will schedule all salient features of the Work, including not only the actual construction Work for each trade, but also the submission of shop drawings and other Submittals for approval, approval of shop drawings by Architect/Engineer, placing of orders for materials, the manufacture and delivery of materials, the testing and installation of materials and equipment, and all Work activities to be performed by the Contractor. Failure to include any element of Work required for the performance of this Contract shall not excuse the Contractor from completing all Work required within the Time for Completion, Contract Completion Date and any interim deadlines established by the Contract.

The Contractor shall allow sufficient time in his schedule for adverse weather anticipated in Section 6 and for the A/E to conduct whatever associated reviews or inspections as may be required under the A/E's contract with the Owner. If the A/E and the Contractor are unable to agree as to what constitutes sufficient time, the Owner shall determine the appropriate duration for such Architect/Engineer activities. Each Work activity will be assigned a time estimate by the Contractor. One day shall be the smallest time unit used.

It is the Contractor's responsibility to submit a schedule that shows Substantial Completion of the Work by the Contract Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date and any interim deadlines established by the Contract.

When completed, the CPM schedule shall be submitted to the Architect/Engineer and the Owner for review. The CPM schedule will identify and describe each activity, state the duration of each activity, the calendar dates for the early and late start and the early and late finish of each activity, and clearly highlight all activities on the critical path. "Total float" and "free float" shall be indicated for all activities. Float time, whether "free float" or "total float" as defined in Section 1, shall not be considered for the exclusive use or benefit of either the Owner or the Contractor, but must be allocated in the best interest of completing the Work within the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date. Extensions to the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date, when granted by Change Order, will be granted only when equitable time adjustment exceeds the Total Float in the activity or path of activities affected by the change. The CPM schedule shall also show what part of the Contract Price (expressed in U.S. dollars) is attributable to each activity on the schedule, the sum of which for all activities shall equal the total Contract Price. The CPM schedule shall also show the planned workforce (crew size and number of crews) and the major pieces of equipment required for each activity on the schedule. When acceptable to the Owner and Architect/Engineer as to compliance with the requirements of this Section, but not as to logic, the schedule shall become the CPM schedule for the Project. Acceptance of the schedule by the Owner does not indicate agreement with nor responsibility for the proposed or actual duration of any activity shown on the accepted schedule.

- (d) **Progress of Work:** The Contractor shall commence and complete the work in accordance with the approved schedule. Contractor acknowledges that it may be required to perform Work out of the sequence originally planned to maintain progress on the project. Contractor acknowledges that it has anticipated certain reasonable delays and disruptions as part of the contract price. No additional reimbursement will be forthcoming for out of sequence work. Time is of the essence. If the Contractor fails to employ sufficient competent personnel as may be required to perform the Work or otherwise causes delays which result in the Contractor's failure to complete the Work in the given time, the Contractor will indemnify and hold the Owner harmless for any additional expenses or

damages (including, but not limited to, liquidated damages) arising out of such delay or inability to proceed with the Work. Liquidated Damages, if any, shall be referenced in the Supplemental General Conditions.

- (e) **Monthly Project Reports:** The Contractor shall review progress not less than each month, but as often as necessary to properly manage the Project and stay on schedule. The Contractor shall collect and preserve information on Change Orders, including extensions of time. The Contractor shall evaluate this information and update the latest accepted schedule as often as necessary to finish within the Contract Time for Completion or before the Contract Completion Date. The Contractor shall submit to the A/E along with his monthly request for payment a copy of the bar graph schedule annotated to show the current progress. For projects requiring a CPM schedule, the Contractor shall submit a monthly report of the status of all activities. The bar graph schedule or monthly status report submitted with each periodic request for payment shall show the Work completed to date in comparison with the Work scheduled for completion, including but not limited to the dates for the beginning and completion of the placing of orders; the manufacture, testing and installation of materials, supplies and equipment. The form shall be approved by the A/E and the Owner; however, a bar graph or a CPM schedule marked, colored or annotated to reflect the above will usually satisfy this requirement. If any elements of the Work are behind schedule, regardless of whether they may prevent the Work from being completed on time, the Contractor must indicate in writing in the report what measures he is taking and plans to take to bring each such element back on schedule and to ensure that the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date is not exceeded.
  
- (f) **Progress Delay:** Should any of the following conditions exist, the Owner may require the Contractor to prepare, at no extra cost to the Owner, a plan of action and a recovery schedule for completing the Work by the Contract Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date:
  - (1) The Contractor' monthly progress report indicates delays that are, in the opinion of the A/E or the Owner, of sufficient magnitude that the Contractor's ability to complete the Work by the scheduled Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date is brought into question;
  
  - (2) The CPM schedule sorted by early finish shows the Contractor to be thirty (30) or more days behind the critical path schedule at any time during construction up to thirty (30) days prior to scheduled Substantial Completion date;
  
  - (3) The Contractor desires to make changes in the logic (sequencing of Work) or the planned duration of future activities of the CPM schedule which, in the opinion of the Architect/Engineer or the Owner, are of a major nature.

The plan of action and recovery schedule, when required, shall explain and display how the Contractor intends to regain compliance with the current accepted, fully completed, Project CPM schedule, as updated by approved change orders.

The plan of action, when required, shall be submitted to the Owner for review within two (2) business days of the Contractor receiving the Owner's written demand. The recovery schedule, when required, shall be submitted to the Owner within five (5) calendar days of the Contractor's receiving the Owner's written demand.

If, in the opinion of the A/E or Owner, the recovery schedule is deemed insufficient, the Contractor, if directed by the Owner, will be required to remedy the schedule delay, without additional compensation, by one of the following manners:

- (1) Increased manpower by Contractor or its subcontractors;
  - (2) Increased number of shifts, including night and weekend work.
- (g) **Early Completion of Project:** The Contractor may attempt to achieve Substantial Completion on or before the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date. However, such planned early completion shall be for the Contractor's convenience only and shall not create any additional rights of the Contractor or obligations of the Owner under this Contract, nor shall it change the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date. The Contractor shall not be required to pay damages to the Owner because of its failure to achieve Substantial Completion by its planned earlier date. Likewise, the Owner shall not pay the Contractor any additional compensation for achieving Substantial Completion early nor will the Owner owe the Contractor any compensation should the Owner, its officers, employees, or agents cause the Contractor not to achieve Substantial Completion earlier than the date required by the Contract Documents.

If the Contractor seeks to change the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date to reflect an earlier completion date, he may request or propose such a change. The Owner may, but is not required to, accept such proposal. However, a change in the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date shall be accomplished only by Change Order. If the Contractor's proposal to change the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date is accepted, a Change Order will be issued stating that all references in the Contract, including these General Conditions, to the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date shall thereafter refer to the date as modified, and all rights and obligations, including the Contractor's liability for actual damages, delay damages and/or liquidated damages, shall be determined in relation to the date, as modified.

## 20. SCHEDULE OF VALUES AND CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT

- (a) Before submittal of the first partial payment request under the Contract, the Contractor shall prepare for review and approval of the Architect/Engineer and the Owner, a schedule of the estimated values listed by trades or by specification sections of the Work, totaling the Contract Price. Where the total project has multiple parts or phases, the Contractor shall prepare appropriate schedules of values to facilitate reviews and justifications for payments.

All requests for payment shall be made on the Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) pages 1 and 2. Succeeding pages may be on the Form AC-12 continuation sheets or a computerized spreadsheet which is in the same format and which contains the same information.

- (b) If the Contractor requests, or intends to request, payment for materials stored in an approved and secure manner, the Schedule of Values must indicate the amount for labor and the amount for materials, and in a supplement thereto must include an itemized list of materials for that trade or Work section. The material breakdown shall be in sufficient detail to allow verification of the quantities required for the Project, the quantities delivered, the Work completed, and the quantities stored on or off Site. Refer to Section 36 of these General Conditions for additional requirements associated with stored materials and/or equipment.

- (c) The “Value of Work Completed” portion of the Form AC-12 shall be completed, the Contractor’s certification completed and signed, and the appropriate substantiating material attached to each Certificate for Payment (AC-12). Such substantiating material includes, but is not limited to, invoices for materials, delivery tickets, time sheets, payroll records, daily job logs/records, and similar materials which, in the opinion of the Owner and the A/E, are necessary or sufficient to justify payment of the amount requested.
- (d) The labor progress for any task or activity shall be calculated based upon the percentage of Work complete up to fifty percent (50%) of the completion of the task or activity. Thereafter, the evaluation of labor progress will be based upon the effort required to complete that task or activity. The material progress shall be calculated as the invoiced dollar cost of materials used in relationship to the amount estimated as necessary to complete a particular element of Work. When calculating material progress, credit shall be given for installed material as well as that stored on the Site and any material stored off Site which has been certified by the Architect/Engineer in accordance with Section 36 of these General Conditions.
- (e) Should Work included in previous Form AC-12 submittals, and for which payment has been made, subsequently be identified, by tests, inspection, or other means, as not acceptable or not conforming to Contract requirements, the “Value of Work Completed” portion of the first Form AC-12 submitted after such identification shall be modified to reduce the “completed” value of that Work by deleting the value of that which has been identified as not acceptable or nonconforming.
- (f) The Contractor shall not include Change Order work on the Form AC-12 until such time as the Contractor is in receipt of a fully executed Change Order from the Owner.

## **21. ACCESS TO WORK**

The Architect/Engineer, the Owner, the Project Manager, the Owner’s inspectors and other testing personnel, inspectors from the Department of Labor and Industry, and others authorized by the Owner, shall have access to the Work at all times. The Contractor shall provide proper facilities for access and inspection.

## **22. SURVEYS AND LAYOUT**

- (a) The Owner shall furnish the Contractor all necessary documents showing property lines and the location of existing buildings and improvements. The Contractor shall provide competent surveying and engineering services to execute the Work in accordance with the Contract and shall be responsible for the accuracy of these surveying and engineering services.
- (b) Such general reference points and benchmarks on the Site as will enable the Contractor to proceed with the Work will be established in the plans and specifications. If the Contractor finds that any previously established reference points have been lost or destroyed, he shall promptly notify the Architect/Engineer.

- (c) The Contractor shall protect and preserve the established benchmarks and monuments and shall make no changes in locations without written notice to the Architect/Engineer and the written approval from the Owner. Any of these which may be lost or destroyed or which require shifting because of necessary changes in grades or locations shall, subject to prior written approval of the Owner, be replaced and accurately located by the Contractor.

## **23. PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

- (a) The general character and scope of the Work are illustrated by the plans and the specifications. If the Contractor deems additional detail or information to be needed, he may request the same in writing from the Architect/Engineer. His request shall precisely state the detail or information needed and shall explain why it is needed. The Contractor shall also indicate a date when the requested information is required. The Architect/Engineer shall provide by Field Order such further detail and information as is necessary by the date required so long as the date indicated is reasonable. Any additional drawings and instructions supplied to the Contractor shall be consistent with the Contract Documents, shall be true developments thereof, and shall be so prepared that they can be reasonably interpreted as a part thereof. The Contractor shall carry out the Work in accordance with the additional detail drawings and instructions.
- (b) If the Contractor finds a contract error, or other discrepancy in the plans or specifications, he shall notify the Architect/Engineer in writing as soon as possible, but before proceeding with the affected Work. The Architect/Engineer shall issue a clarification by Field Order to the Contractor stating the correct requirements. If the Contractor deems the Field Order requires additional Work, he shall notify the A/E of such prior to proceeding with that Work and he shall submit a request for Change Order along with a detailed substantiating cost proposal thru the A/E to the Owner within ten (10) calendar days.
- (c) In case of differences between small and large scale drawings, the large scale drawings shall govern. Where on any of the drawings a portion of the Work is drawn out and the remainder is indicated in outline, the parts drawn out shall apply also to all other like portions of the Work.
- (d) Where the word “similar” appears on the drawings, it shall be interpreted in its general sense and not as meaning identical, and all details shall be worked out in relation to their location and their connection with other parts of the Work.
- (e) The specifications may be divided into several parts, or sections, for convenience only, since the entire specifications must be considered as a whole. The divisions of the specifications are not intended to control the Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or to limit the Work performed by any trade. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the coordination of the trades, Subcontractors and vendors engaged in the Work.
- (f) Measurements or dimensions shown on the drawings for Site features, utilities and structures shall be verified at the Site by the Contractor. The Contractor shall not scale measurements or dimensions from the drawings. If there are discrepancies, the Architect/Engineer shall be consulted. If new Work is to connect to, match with or be provided in existing Work, the Contractor shall verify the actual existing conditions and necessary dimensions prior to ordering or fabrication.

- (g) **As-Built Drawings:** The Contractor shall maintain at the Site for the Owner one copy of all drawings, specifications, addenda, approved shop or setting drawings, Change Orders and other modifications (collectively referred to herein as “As-Built Drawings”) in good order and marked to record all changes as they occur during construction. These shall be available to the Architect/Engineer, the Owner, the Project Inspector, the Owner’s other inspectors and to the Owner’s testing personnel. The drawings shall be neatly and clearly marked in color during construction to record all variations made during construction. The representation of such variations shall include such supplementary notes, symbols, legends, and details as may be necessary to clearly show the as-built construction. These As-Built Drawings are to be a separate set of drawings from the set of drawings used by the Contractor’s superintendent or supervisor for every day management of the project.
- (h) **Record Drawings:** Upon completion of the Work and prior to the final inspection, the Contractor shall deliver to the Architect/Engineer, for review and preparation of the Record Drawings, one complete set of “As-Built Drawings” referred to in the preceding subsection.
- (i) **Close-out and Operations and Maintenance Documents:** Upon completion of the Work and prior to final payment, the Contractor shall deliver to the Architect/Engineer, two complete hard copy sets of the Close-out and Operations and Maintenance Documents as specified in the Project Manual Specifications. Additionally, the Contractor will provide two CDs or other acceptably formatted electronic copy of the abovementioned documents to accompany the hard copy versions. The electronic version will be organized with folders and appropriate hierarchy as to represent the hard copy versions. The documentation found on the electronic version will be in PDF format, or other acceptable format as directed by the Owner.

## **24. SUBMITTALS**

- (a) The Contractor shall submit a listing of all Submittals required by the Architect/Engineer or which the Contractor identifies as necessary, fixing the dates for the submission of shop or setting drawings, samples and product data. The listing shall be in a format acceptable to the Architect/Engineer. The Contractor shall identify all Submittals with the Owner’s Project Title as required by Section 2(f). There will be no payments to the Contractor until a listing of all Submittals is submitted and approved by the Architect/Engineer and Owner.
- (b) Submittals shall be forwarded to the Architect/Engineer for approval if required by the specifications or if requested by the Architect/Engineer or the Owner. No part of the Work dealt with by a Submittal shall be fabricated by the Contractor, save at his own risk, until such approval has been given.
- (c) The Contractor shall furnish to the Architect/Engineer for approval the name of the manufacturer, the model number, and other identifying data and information respecting the performance, capacity, nature and rating of the machinery and mechanical and other equipment which the Contractor contemplates incorporating in the Work. When Submittals are required by this Contract for materials, the Contractor shall furnish full information concerning the material or articles which he contemplates incorporating in the Work. When required, samples shall be submitted for approval at the Contractor’s expense, with all shipping charges prepaid. Machinery, equipment, material and articles installed or used without required approval shall be at the risk of subsequent rejection.

- (d) The Owner prefers and encourages the Contractor to submit all shop drawings to the Architect/Engineer electronically. However, shop drawings may be submitted in the form of six (6) blue line or black line prints. Catalog cuts, product data and other non-reproducible literature, except certificates, shall be submitted in six (6) copies minimum, of which three (3) will be retained by the Architect/Engineer and the remainder will be returned to the Contractor.
- (e) The Owner prefers and encourages the Contractor to submit all Submittals to the Architect/Engineer electronically. Submittals shall be accompanied by a letter of transmittal which shall list the Project Title, the Submittals included, the specification section number applicable to each, and the date shown on each Submittal. Submittals shall be complete in every respect and bound in sets if not submitted electronically. Each Submittal shall be clearly marked to show each item, component and/or optional feature proposed to be incorporated into the Project. Cross reference to the plans or specifications as needed to identify the use for which the item or component is intended.
- (f) The Contractor shall check the Submittals for compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall clearly note in writing any and all items which deviate from the requirements of the Contract Documents. Reasons for deviation shall be included with the Submittal. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for checking all dimensions and coordinating all materials and trades to ensure that the components or products proposed, individually or in combination, will fit in the space available and that they will be compatible with other components or products provided.
- (g) After checking each submittal, the Contractor shall stamp each sheet of the Submittal with the Contractor's review stamp. Data submitted in a bound volume or on one sheet printed on two sides, may be stamped on the front of the first sheet only. The Contractor's review stamp shall be worded as follows:

The equipment and material shown and marked in this submittal is that proposed to be incorporated into this Project, is in compliance with the Contract drawings and specifications unless otherwise shown in bold face type or lettering and listed on a page or pages headed "DEPARTURES FROM DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS", and can be installed in the allocated spaces.

Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

The person signing the review stamp shall be the person designated in writing by the Contractor as having that authority. (A copy of such designation shall be forwarded to the A/E prior to or with the first Submittal.) The signature on the stamped review statement shall be handwritten in ink, or in the case of electronic submittals, electronically signed in accordance with § 59.1-479 et seq. of the Code of Virginia. Stamped signatures are not acceptable.

- (h) The Contractor shall forward all Submittals sufficiently in advance of construction requirements to allow reasonable time for checking, correcting, resubmitting and rechecking.
- (i) If a Submittal indicates a departure from the Contract requirements, the Architect/Engineer may reject the Submittal or, if he deems it to have merit, may recommend it to the Owner, who shall approve or reject it as the Owner, in its sole discretion, sees fit. The departure from the Contract

requirements shall be further authorized by a Change Order, if a reduction or increase in the Contract Price is appropriate.

- (j) The Architect/Engineer is responsible to the Owner, but not to the Contractor, to verify that the Submittals conform to the design concept and functional requirements of the plans and specifications, that the detailed design portrayed in shop drawings and proposed equipment and materials shown in Submittals are of the quality specified and will function properly, and that the Submittals comply with the Contract Documents.
- (k) The Work shall be in accordance with approved Submittals. Approval of the Contractor's Submittals by the A/E does not relieve the Contractor from responsibility of complying with the Contract and all drawings and specifications, except as changed by Change Order.
- (l) The plans and/or specifications may indicate that the Architect/Engineer designed or detailed a portion of the plans around a particular product (most commonly a piece of equipment). Should a different product be proposed by the Contractor and accepted, all modifications, rerouting, relocations and variations required for proper installation and coordination to comply with the design concept and requirements of the Contract Documents shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall be made at no extra cost to the Owner. If the plans were noted as designed or detailed around a particular product and/or if a product is named when a "brand name or equal" specification has been used, this is not intended to favor or preclude the use of other products pursuant to Section 26 of these General Conditions. Rather such design merely acknowledges the reality that in many instances the Architect/Engineer must have a basis to design and detail around for dimensions and characteristics of a product or system.
- (m) Additional Submittal requirements may be shown in the specifications.

## **25. FEES, SERVICES AND FACILITIES**

- (a) The Contractor shall obtain all permits and pay for all fees and charges necessary for temporary access and public right-of-way blockage or use, for temporary connections to utilities and for the use of property (other than the Site) for storage of materials and other purposes unless otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents.
- (b) Certain projects such as renovations and interior modifications of existing buildings will usually have water and electric service to the building. In those instances, water and electric power, if required for the Work under the Contract, will be furnished by the Owner subject to reasonable use by the Contractor, only to the extent and capacity of present services. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing required connections, temporary wiring, piping, etc. to these services in a safe manner and in accordance with applicable codes. All temporary wire, pipe, etc. shall be removed before the Substantial Completion inspection. Acceptance by the Contractor of the use of Owner's water and electricity constitutes a release to the Owner of all claims and of all liability to the Contractor for whatever damages which may result from power and water outages or voltage variations.
- (c) The Owner shall pay any connection charges for permanent utility connections directly to the utility Supplier. The Contractor shall coordinate such connections with the utility Supplier.

- (d) It is understood that, except as otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents, the Contractor, either directly or through his Subcontractors, shall provide and pay for all material, labor, tools, equipment, water, light, power, telephone and other services or facilities of every nature whatsoever necessary to execute completely and deliver the Work within the Contract Time for Completion or before the Contract Completion Date.

## 26. EQUALS

- (a) **Brand names:** Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer denotes the characteristics, quality, workmanship, economy of operation and suitability for the intended purpose of the article desired, but does not restrict the Contractor to the specific brand, make, or manufacturer; it is set forth to convey to the Contractor the general style, type, character and quality of the article specified.
- (b) **Equal materials, equipment or assemblies:** Whenever in these Contract Documents, a particular brand, make of material, device or equipment is shown or specified, such brand, make of material, device or equipment shall be regarded merely as a standard. Any other brand, make or manufacturer of a product, assembly or equipment which in the opinion of the Architect/Engineer is the equal of that specified, considering quality, capabilities, workmanship, configuration, economy of operation, useful life, compatibility with design of the Work, and suitability for the intended purpose, will be accepted unless rejected by the Owner as not being equal.
- (c) **Substitute materials, equipment or assemblies:** The Contractor may propose to substitute a material, product, equipment, or assembly which deviates from the requirements of the Contract Documents but which the Contractor deems will perform the same function and have equal capabilities, service life, economy of operations, and suitability for the intended purpose. The proposal must include any cost differentials proposed. The Owner will have the A/E provide an initial evaluation of such proposed substitutes and provide a recommendation on acceptability and indicate the A/E's redesign fee to incorporate the substitution in the design. If the proposed substitute is acceptable to the Owner, a Change Order will be proposed to the Contractor to accept the substitute and to deduct the cost of the A/E redesign fee and the proposed cost savings from the Contract Price. The Owner shall have the right to limit or reject substitutions at its sole discretion.
- (d) The Contractor shall be responsible for making all changes in the Work necessary to adapt and accommodate any equal or substitute product which it uses. The necessary changes shall be made at the Contractor's expense.

## 27. AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS

If a brand name, product, or model number included in the Contract Documents is not available on the present market, alternate equal products or model numbers may be proposed by the Contractor through the Architect/Engineer for approval by the Owner. A letter from the manufacturer or representative of the manufacturer that states the specified brand name product or model number is no longer available is required.

## **28. CONTRACTOR'S TITLE TO MATERIALS**

No materials or supplies for the Work shall be purchased by the Contractor, or by any Subcontractor or Supplier, subject to any security interest, installment or sales contract or any other agreement or lien by which an interest is retained by the seller or is given to a secured party. The Contractor warrants that he has clear and good title to all materials and supplies which he uses in the Work or for which he accepts payment in whole or in part.

## **29. STANDARDS FOR MATERIALS INSTALLATION & WORKMANSHIP**

- (a) Unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract, all equipment, material, and accessories incorporated in the Work are to be new and in first class condition.
- (b) Unless specifically approved by the Owner or required by the Contract, the Contractor shall not incorporate into the Work any materials known by the industry to be hazardous to the health of building construction workers, maintenance workers, or occupants (for example asbestos or lead paint). If the Contractor becomes aware that a material required by the Contract contains asbestos or other hazardous materials, he shall notify the Owner and the Architect/Engineer immediately and shall take no further steps to acquire or install any such material without first obtaining Owner approval.
- (c) All workmanship shall be of the highest quality found in the building industry in every respect. All items of Work shall be done by craftsmen or tradesmen skilled in the particular task or activity to which they are assigned. In the acceptance or rejection of Work, no allowance will be made for lack of skill on the part of workmen. Poor or inferior workmanship (as determined by the Architect/Engineer, the Owner or other inspecting authorities) shall be removed and replaced at Contractor's expense such that the Work conforms to the highest quality standards of the trades concerned, or otherwise corrected to the satisfaction of the Architect/Engineer, the Owner, or other inspecting authority, as applicable.
- (d) Under the various sections of the plans or specifications, where specified items are supplied with the manufacturer's printed instructions, recommendations, or directions for installation, or where such instructions, recommendations, or directions are available, installation of the specified items shall be in strict accordance with the manufacturer's printed instructions unless those instructions contradict the plans or specifications, in which case the Architect/Engineer will be notified for an interpretation and decision.
- (e) Under the various sections of the plans or specifications, where reference is made to specific codes or standards governing the installation of specified items, installation shall in all cases be in strict accordance with the referenced codes and standards. Where no reference is made to specific codes or standards, installation shall conform to the generally recognized applicable standards for first-class installation of the specific item to be installed. Contractors are expected to be proficient and skilled in their respective trades and knowledgeable of the Codes and Standards of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), National Electric Code (NEC), Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and other codes and standards applicable to installations and associated work by his trade.

- (f) Where the manufacturer's printed instructions are not available for installation of specific items, where specific codes or standards are not referenced to govern the installation of specific items, or where there is uncertainty on the part of the Contractor concerning the installation procedures to be followed or the quality of workmanship to be maintained in the installation of specific items, the Contractor shall consult the Architect/Engineer for approval of the installation procedures or the specific standards governing the quality of workmanship the Contractor proposes to follow or maintain during the installation of the items in question.
  
- (g) During and/or at the completion of installation of any items, the tests designated in the plans or specifications necessary to assure proper and satisfactory functioning for its intended purpose shall be performed by the Contractor or by its Subcontractor responsible for the completed installation. All costs for such testing are to be included in the Contract Price. If required by the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall furnish prior to final inspection the manufacturers' certificates evidencing that products meet or exceed applicable performance, warranty and other requirements, and certificates that products have been properly installed and tested.

### **30. WARRANTY OF MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP**

- (a) The Contractor warrants that, unless otherwise specified, all materials and equipment incorporated in the Work under the Contract shall be new, in first class condition, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor further warrants that all workmanship shall be of the highest quality and in accordance with the Contract Documents and shall be performed by persons qualified at their respective trades.
- (b) Work not conforming to these warranties shall be considered defective.
- (c) This warranty of materials and workmanship is separate and independent from and in addition to any of the Contractor's other guarantees or obligations in the Contract or under Virginia law.

### **31. USE OF SITE AND REMOVAL OF DEBRIS**

- (a) The Contractor shall:
  - (1) Perform the Work in such a manner as not to interrupt or interfere with the operation of any existing activity on, or in proximity to, the Site or with the Work of any other separate contractor;
  - (2) Store his apparatus, materials, supplies and equipment in such orderly fashion at the Site of the Work as will not unduly interfere with the progress of his Work or the work of any other separate contractor; and
  - (3) Place upon the Work or any part thereof only such loads as are consistent with the safety of that portion of the Work.
- (b) The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through his Subcontractor(s), to effect all cutting, filling or patching of the Work required to make the same conform to the plans and specifications, and, except with the consent of the Architect/Engineer, not to cut or otherwise alter the Work of any other separate contractor. The Contractor shall not damage or endanger any portion of the Work or Site, including existing improvements, unless called for by the Contract.
- (c) The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through his Subcontractor(s), to clean up frequently all refuse, rubbish, scrap materials and debris caused by his operations, to the end that at all times the Site shall present a neat, orderly and workmanlike appearance. No such refuse, rubbish, scrap material and debris shall be left within the completed Work nor buried on the building Site, but shall be removed from the Site and properly disposed of in a licensed landfill or otherwise as required by law.
- (d) The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through his Subcontractor(s), before final payment or such prior time as the Owner may require, to remove all surplus material, false Work, temporary structures, including foundations thereof, plants of any description and debris of every nature resulting from his operations and to put the Site in a neat, orderly condition; to thoroughly clean and leave reasonably dust free all finished surfaces including all equipment, piping, etc., on the interior of all buildings included in the Contract; and to clean thoroughly all glass installed under the

Contract, including the removal of all paint and mortar splatters and other defacements. If the Contractor fails to clean up at the time required herein, the Owner may do so and charge the costs incurred thereby to the Contractor in accordance with Section 10(b) of these General Conditions.

- (e) The Contractor shall have, on-site, an employee certified by the Department of Conservation and Recreation as a Responsible Land Disturber who shall be responsible for the installation, inspection and maintenance of erosion control and stormwater management measures and devices. The Contractor shall prevent Site soil erosion, the runoff of silt and/or debris carrying water from the Site, and the blowing of debris off the Site in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of the Contract, the County of Albemarle's Water Protection Ordinance, and any Virginia water protection ordinances/codes and/or stormwater regulations. This would include covering of dumpsters during periods of precipitation to prevent any runoff to the stormwater system.

### **32. TEMPORARY ROADS**

Temporary roads, if required, shall be established and maintained until permanent roads are accepted, then removed and the area restored to the conditions required by the Contract Documents. Crushed rock, paving and other road materials from temporary roads shall not be left on the Site unless permission is received from the Owner to bury the same at a location and depth approved by the Owner or leave in place as installed.

### **33. SIGNS**

The Contractor may, at his option and without cost to the Owner, erect signs acceptable to the Owner on the Site for the purpose of identifying and giving directions to the job. No signs shall be erected without prior approval of the Owner as to design and location. The Contractor shall pay all fees required by Albemarle County.

### **34. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

- (a) The Contractor expressly undertakes, both directly and through his Subcontractors, to take every reasonable precaution at all times for the protection of all persons and property which may come on the Site or be affected by the Contractor's Work.
- (b) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Any violation of these requirements or duties or any potential safety hazard that is brought to the attention of the Contractor by the Architect/Engineer, the Owner, or any other persons shall be immediately abated.
- (c) The provisions of all rules and regulations governing health and safety as adopted by the Safety Codes Commission of the Commonwealth of Virginia, issued by the Department of Labor and Industry under Title 40.1 of the Code of Virginia, shall apply to all Work under this Contract.

- (d) The Contractor shall continuously maintain adequate protection of all his Work from damage and shall protect the Owner's property from injury or loss arising in connection with this Contract. He shall make good any such damage, injury or loss, except as may be directly and solely due to errors in the Contract Documents or caused by agents or employees of the Owner. The Contractor shall adequately protect adjacent property to prevent any damage to it or loss of use and enjoyment by its owners. The Contractor shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights and other facilities for protection as required by public authority, local conditions, or the Contract.
- (e) In an emergency affecting the health, safety or life of persons or of the Work, or of the adjoining property, the Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the Architect/Engineer or the Owner, shall act, at his discretion, to prevent such threatened loss or injury. Also, should he, to prevent threatened loss or injury, be instructed or authorized to act by the Architect/Engineer or the Owner, he shall so act immediately, without appeal. Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of any emergency work shall be determined as provided by Section 38 of these General Conditions.
- (f) When necessary for the proper protection of the Work, temporary heating, cooling, humidification, or de-humidification of a type approved by the Architect/Engineer must be provided by the Contractor, at the Contractor's expense, unless otherwise specified.

### **35. CLIMATIC CONDITIONS**

The Contractor shall suspend activity on and protect any portion of the Work that may be subject to damage by climatic conditions, including but not limited to, protection from precipitation, wind (including securing material and equipment that could become airborne), and extreme temperatures.

### **36. PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR**

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, the Owner will make partial payments to the Contractor on the basis of a duly certified and approved Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment, Form AC-12, showing the estimate of the Work performed during the preceding calendar month or work period, as recommended by the Architect/Engineer. When evaluating the Contractor's Form AC-12, the Architect/Engineer will consider the value of the Work in place, the value of approved and properly stored materials, the status of the Work on the critical path with regard to the Time for Completion, and the estimated value of the Work necessary to achieve Final Completion. The Architect/Engineer will schedule a monthly pay meeting. The Contractor will submit his monthly estimate of Work completed on Form AC-12 so that it is received by the Architect/Engineer and the Owner's Project Manager at least two work days prior to the date scheduled by the Architect/Engineer for the monthly pay meeting. The Owner will review the estimate with the Architect/Engineer and the Contractor at the monthly pay meeting, which shall be considered the receipt date, and may approve any or all of the estimate of Work for payment. In preparing estimates, the material delivered to the Site and preparatory Work done shall be taken into consideration, if properly documented as required by Section 20 of these General Conditions, or as may be required by the Architect/Engineer so that quantities may be verified. In addition to material delivered to the Site, material such as large pieces of equipment and items purchased specifically for the Project, but stored off the Site within the Commonwealth of Virginia, may be considered for payment, provided

all of the following are accomplished prior to the submission of the monthly payment request in which payment for such materials is requested:

- (1) The Contractor must notify the Owner in writing, at least ten (10) days prior to the submission of the payment request, through the Architect/Engineer, that specific items will be stored off Site in a designated, secured place within the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Schedule of Values must be detailed to indicate separately both the value of the material and the labor/installation for trades requesting payment for stored materials. By giving such notification and by requesting payment for material stored off Site, the Contractor warrants that the storage location is safe and suitable for the type of material stored and that the materials are identified as being the property of the Contractor, and agrees that loss of materials stored off the Site shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to timely furnish these types and quantities of materials for the Project and meet the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date, subject to Section 42(b) of these General Conditions. If the storage location is more than 20 miles from the Site, the Contractor may be required to reimburse the Owner for the cost incurred for travel to the storage location to verify the Contractor's request for payment for materials stored off Site.
- (2) Such notification, as well as the payment request, shall:
  - (a) itemize the quantity of such materials and document with invoices showing the cost of said materials;
  - (b) indicate the identification markings used on the materials, which shall clearly reference the materials to the particular project;
  - (c) identify the specific location of the materials, which must be within reasonable proximity to the Site and within the Commonwealth of Virginia;
  - (d) include a letter from the Contractor's Surety which confirms that the Surety on the Performance Bond and the Labor and Material Payment Bond has been notified of the request for payment of materials stored off the Site and agrees that the materials are covered by the bond; and
  - (e) include a certificate of all-risk builder's risk insurance in an amount not less than the fair market value of the materials, which shall name the Owner and the Contractor as co-insured.
- (3) The Architect/Engineer shall indicate, in writing, to the Owner that Submittals for such materials have been reviewed and meet the requirements of the Contract Documents, that the stored materials meet the requirement of the plans and specifications, and that such materials conform to the approved Submittals. Should the A/E deem it necessary to visit the storage site to make such review, the Contractor shall bear the costs incurred therewith.
- (4) The Owner, through the Architect/Engineer, shall notify the Contractor in writing of its agreement to prepayment for materials.

- (5) The Contractor shall notify the Owner in writing, through the Architect/Engineer, when the materials are to be transferred to the Site and when the materials are received at the Site.
- (b) Payment will not be made for materials or equipment stored on or off the Site which are not scheduled for incorporation into the Work within the six months following submission of the request for payment, unless the Contractor has the prior consent of the Owner, which consent may be granted or withheld by the Owner in its discretion if, in the opinion of the Owner, it is not necessary to procure the materials more than six months in advance of use to assure their availability when needed.
- (c) In making such partial payments, five percent (5%) of each payment to the Contractor shall be retained until Final Completion and acceptance of all Work covered by the Contract, unless otherwise provided by any law, regulation or program of the federal government. Such retainage shall be held to assure faithful performance of the Contract and may also be used as a fund to deduct amounts due to or claimed by the Owner, including, but not limited to, payment to the Owner of all monies due for deductive change orders, credits, uncorrected Defective Work, interest, damages, and the like. (§2.2-4333 of the Code of Virginia)
- (d) All material and Work for which partial payments are made shall thereupon become the sole property of the Owner, but this provision shall not relieve the Contractor from the sole responsibility for all materials and Work, including those for which payment has been made, or for the restoration of any damaged materials or Work. Nor shall this provision serve as a waiver of the right of the Owner to require the fulfillment of all of the terms and conditions of the Contract.
- (e) The final payment, which shall include the retainage, less any amounts due to or claimed by the Owner, shall not become due until the Architect/Engineer and the Owner agree that Final Completion has been achieved and until the Contractor shall deliver to the Owner through the Architect/Engineer a Certificate of Completion by the Contractor (Form AC-13.2) and an Affidavit of Payment of Claims (Form AC-13), stating that all Subcontractors and Suppliers of either labor or materials have been paid all sums claimed by them for Work performed or materials furnished in connection with this Project less retainage. Amounts due the Owner which may be withheld from the final payment may include, but are not limited to, amounts due pursuant to Section 3(i), Section 16(a)-(d), Section 31(d), costs incurred to repair or replace Defective Work, costs incurred as a result of the Contractor's negligent acts or omissions or omissions of those for whom the Contractor is responsible, delay damages under Section 42(h), and any liquidated or actual damages. If all Subcontractors and Suppliers of labor and materials have not been paid the full amount claimed by them, the Contractor shall list each to which an agreed amount of money is due or which has a claim in dispute. With respect to all such Subcontractors and Suppliers, the Contractor shall provide to the Owner, along with the Affidavit of Payment of Claims (Form AC-13), an affidavit from each such Subcontractor and Supplier stating the amount of their subcontract or supply contract, the percentage of completion, the amounts paid to them by the Contractor and the dates of payment, the amount of money still due if any, any interest due the Subcontractor or Supplier pursuant to Section 37(b) below, and whether satisfactory arrangements have been made for the payment of said amounts. If no agreement can be reached between the Contractor and one or more Subcontractors or Suppliers as to the amounts owed to the Subcontractors or Suppliers, the Owner may, in its discretion, pay such portion of the monies due to the Contractor which is claimed by the Subcontractor or Supplier into a Virginia Court or Federal Court sitting in Virginia, in the manner provided by law. Said payment into court shall be deemed a payment to the Contractor. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as creating any obligation or contractor relationship between the Owner and any Subcontractor or Supplier, and the

Owner shall not be liable to any Subcontractor or Supplier on account of any failure or delay of the Owner in complying with the terms hereof.

- (f) Upon successful completion of the final inspection and all Work required by the Contract, including but not limited to the delivery of As-Built drawings, equipment manuals, written warranties, acceptance of the Work by the Owner and the delivery of the affidavits required in Section 36(e) of these General Conditions, the Architect/Engineer shall deliver the written Certificate of Completion by the Architect/Engineer (Form AC-13.1) to the Owner, with a copy to the Contractor, stating the entire amount of Work performed and compensation earned by the Contractor, including extra work and compensation therefor. The Owner may accept the Work for occupancy or use while asserting claims against the Contractor; disputing the amount of compensation due to the Contractor; disputing the quality of the Work, its completion, or its compliance with the Contract Documents; or any other reason.
- (g) Unless there is a dispute about the compensation due to the Contractor, Defective Work, quality of the Work, compliance with the Contract Documents, completion itself, claims by the Owner, other matters in contention between the parties, or unless monies are withheld pursuant to Albemarle County's Debt Setoff Program, within thirty (30) days after receipt and acceptance of the Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) in proper form by the Architect/Engineer at the monthly pay meeting, which shall be considered the receipt date, the Owner shall pay to the Contractor the amount approved by the Architect/Engineer, less all prior payments and advances whatsoever to or for the account of the Contractor. In the case of final payment, the completed Affidavit of Payment of Claims (Form AC-13), the Certificate of Completion by the Contractor (Form AC-13.2) and the Certificate of Completion by the Architect/Engineer (Form AC-13.1) shall accompany the final Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) which is forwarded to the Owner for payment. The date on which payment is due shall be referred to as the Payment Date. In the event of disputes, payment shall be mailed on or before the Payment Date for amounts and Work not in dispute, subject to any set offs claimed by the Owner, provided however, in instances where further appropriations are required by the County of Albemarle or where the issuance of further bonds is required, in which case, payment shall be made within thirty (30) days after the effective date of such appropriation or within thirty (30) days after the receipt of bond proceeds by the Owner. All prior estimates and payments including those relating to extra Work may be connected and adjusted in any payment and shall be corrected and adjusted in the final payment. In the event that any request for payment by the Contractor contains a defect or impropriety, the Owner shall notify the Contractor of any defect or impropriety which would prevent payment by the Payment Date, within five (5) days after receipt of the Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) by the Owner from the Architect/Engineer.
- (h) Interest shall accrue on all amounts owed by the Owner to the Contractor which remain unpaid seven (7) days following the Payment Date. Said interest shall accrue at the discounted ninety-day U.S. Treasury bill rate as established by the Weekly Auction and as reported in the publication entitled The Wall Street Journal on the weekday following each such Weekly Auction. During the period of time when the amounts due to the Contractor remain unpaid following the seventh (7th) day after the Payment Date, the interest accruing shall fluctuate on a weekly basis and shall be that established by the immediately prior Weekly Auction. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to gather and substantiate the applicable weekly interest rates to the satisfaction of the Owner and to calculate to the satisfaction of the Owner the interest due. In no event shall the rate of interest charge exceed the rate of interest charged pursuant to §58.1-1812 of the Code of Virginia. No interest shall accrue on

retainage or when payment is delayed because of disagreement between the Owner and the Contractor regarding the quantity, quality or timeliness of the Work, including, but not limited to, compliance with Contract Documents or the accuracy of any Request for Payment received. This exception to the accrual of interest stated in the preceding sentence shall apply only to that portion of a delayed payment which is actually the subject of such a disagreement and shall apply only for the duration of such disagreement. Nothing contained herein shall be interpreted, however, to prevent the withholding of retainage to assure faithful performance of the Contract. These same provisions relating to payment of interest to the Contractor shall apply also to the computation and accrual of interest on any amounts due from the Contractor to the Owner for deductive change orders and to amounts due on any claims by the Owner. The date of mailing of any payment by the U.S. Mail is deemed to be the date of payment to the addressee.

- (i) The acceptance by the Contractor of the final payment shall be and operate as a release to the Owner of all claims by the Contractor, its Subcontractors and Suppliers, and of all liability to the Contractor whatever, including liability for all things done or furnished in connection with this Work, except for things done or furnished which are the subject of unresolved claims for which the Contractor has filed a timely written notice of intent, provided a claim is submitted no later than sixty (60) days after final payment. Acceptance of any interest payment by the Contractor shall be a release of the Owner from claims by the Contractor for late payment.
- (j) No certificate for payment issued by the Architect/Engineer, and no payment, final or otherwise, no certificate of completion, nor partial or entire use or occupancy of the Work by the Owner, shall be an acceptance of any Work or materials not in accordance with the Contract, nor shall the same relieve the Contractor of responsibility for faulty materials or Defective Work or operate to release the Contractor or his Surety from any obligation under the Contract, the Standard Performance Bond and the Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond.

### **37. PAYMENTS BY CONTRACTOR (§2.2-4354, Code of Virginia)**

Under §2.2-4354, Code of Virginia, the Contractor is obligated to:

- (a) Within seven (7) days after receipt of amounts paid to the Contractor by the Owner for Work performed by the Subcontractor or Supplier under this Contract,
  - (1) Pay the Subcontractor or Supplier for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the Owner attributable to the Work performed by the Subcontractor or the materials furnished by the Supplier under this Contract; or
  - (2) Notify the Subcontractor or Supplier, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the Subcontractor or Supplier's payment with the reason for nonpayment;
- (b) Pay interest to the Subcontractor or Supplier on all amounts owed by the Contractor that remain unpaid after seven (7) days following receipt by the Contractor of payment from the Owner for Work performed by the Subcontractor or materials furnished by the Supplier under this contract, except for amounts withheld as allowed under subsection (a)(2) of this Section.

- (c) Include in each of his subcontracts a provision requiring each Subcontractor to include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower tier subcontractor. Each Subcontractor shall include with its invoice to, or request for payment from, the Contractor, a certification that Subcontractor has paid each of its suppliers and lower tier subcontractors their proportionate share of previous payments received from the Contractor attributable to the Work performed or the materials furnished by it under this Contract.

The Contractor's obligation to pay interest to the Subcontractor or Supplier pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section is not an obligation of the Owner. A modification to this Contract shall not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for such interest charge. A Contractor's cost reimbursement claim shall not include any amount for reimbursement of such interest charge.

### 38. CHANGES IN THE WORK

- (a) The Owner may at any time, by written order utilizing the County of Albemarle Change Order Form AC-11, and without notice to the sureties, make changes in the Work which are within the general scope of the contract except that no change will be made which will increase the total Contract Price to an amount more than twenty-five percent (25%) in excess of the original Contract Price without notice to sureties. The Owner, at its discretion, may require the Contractor to provide evidence of current surety coverage based on approved changes in the work that result in a change in the total contract amount. At the time of the Preconstruction Meeting described in Section 49(b), the Contractor and the Owner shall advise each other of their designees authorized to accept and/or approve changes to the Contract Price and of any limits to each designee's authority. Should any designee or limits of authority change during the time this Contract is in effect, the Contractor or Owner shall give written notice to the other within seven (7) calendar days, utilizing the procedures set forth in these General Conditions. The Contractor agrees and understands that the authority of the Owner's designee is limited by Virginia Code §2.2-4309 and any other applicable statute.

If the Contractor claims that any instructions given to him by the Architect/Engineer or by the Owner, by drawings or otherwise, involve extra Work which increases the scope of the Contract, then, except in emergencies endangering life or property, he shall give the Architect/Engineer and the Owner written notice thereof before proceeding to execute the Work. Said notice shall be given promptly enough to avoid delaying the Work and in no instance later than fourteen (14) days after the receipt of such instructions. Should it not be immediately clear to the Contractor that the change involves extra Work outside the scope of the Contract, written notice shall be sufficient if given as soon as possible after such realization, but in no event later than fourteen (14) days after the start of such Work. If the Owner agrees, a Change Order shall be issued as provided herein, and any additional compensation shall be determined by one of the four (4) methods provided herein, as selected by the Owner. Except as otherwise specifically provided, no claims for extra Work shall be allowed unless timely notice, as required by this Section, is given by the Contractor and unless such Work is performed pursuant to written Change Order. In making any change, the charge or credit for the change shall be determined by one of the following methods as selected by the Owner:

- (1) **Fixed Price:** By a mutually agreed fixed amount change to the Contract Price and/or time allowed for completion of the Work. By using the Estimate for Change Order Forms GC-1, SC-1, and SS-1, respectively, the Change Order shall be substantiated by documentation

itemizing the estimated quantities and actual costs of all labor, materials and equipment required as well as any markup used. The price change shall include the Contractor's overhead and profit. See Subsections (d) and (e) below.

- (2) **Unit Price:** By using unit prices and calculating the number of net units of Work in each part of the Work which is changed, either as the Work progresses or before Work on the change commences, and by then multiplying the calculated number of units by the applicable unit price set forth in the Contract or multiplying by a mutually agreed unit price if none was provided in the Contract. No additional percentage markup for overhead or profit shall be added to the unit prices.
- (3) **Unilateral:** If the Owner and Contractor are unable to agree that an item of Work or service constitutes a change, or that Contractor is entitled to additional compensation and/or an extension of time for such item of Work or service, the Contractor, upon receipt of a Unilateral Change Order, signed by the Owner, will promptly proceed with and expeditiously perform and/or supply the item of Work or service. If the parties are unable to agree on the amount of adjustment or schedule, the Owner will provide written notification to the Contractor of the adjustment the Owner considers appropriate. Such adjustment will be effective subject to Contractor's right to submit a claim as provided in Section 46. Any claim for an adjustment of compensation or schedule, or in opposition to an adjustment imposed by the Owner, will be submitted to the Owner in writing within seven (7) days of commencement of the event giving rise to such claim. The Contractor will submit to the Owner, in writing, the amount of the claim with supporting data within thirty (30) days of completion of the services or termination of the event for which it claims an adjustment.
- (4) **Cost Reimbursement (Time and Materials):** In order to allow performance of services to proceed in a timely manner, the Owner may issue a written order for the Contractor to proceed with a change for additional work or service in anticipation of subsequently negotiating an agreeable adjustment of the Contractor's compensation and/or schedule. Upon completion of the Work, the Contractor, by using Estimate for Change Order Forms GC-1, SC-1, and SS-1, respectively, will present to the Owner, an accurate, itemized account of the cost of the change in the Work, including, but not limited to, the costs of labor, materials, equipment, and supplies; and to annotate a copy of the Project schedule to accurately show the status of the Work at the time this initial written order is issued, to show the start and finish of the changed Work, and the status of the Work when the changed Work is completed.

Except as otherwise may be agreed to in writing by the Owner, such costs shall not exceed those prevailing for the trades or crafts, materials, and equipment in the locality of the Project, may include only those items listed as allowable in Subsection 38(e), and shall not include any of the costs listed as not allowable in Subsection 38(f). The Owner shall be permitted, on a daily basis, to verify such records and may require such additional records as are necessary to determine the cost of the change to the Work.

Within fourteen (14) days of the conclusion of such ordered Work, the Contractor and the Owner shall arrive at a cost for the Change Order Request, based on the records kept and the Contractor's allowance for overhead and profit as set forth in Subsections (d), (e) and (f) below, and such costs shall be incorporated into a Change Order. If agreement on the cost of

the changed Work cannot be reached within the fourteen (14) days allotted, the Contractor may file a claim for the disputed amount as provided for in Section 46.

- (b) The Contractor shall review any Owner requested or directed change and shall respond in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the proposed change (or such other reasonable time as the Owner may direct), stating the effect of the proposed change upon his Work, including any increase or decrease in the Contract time and Price. The Contractor shall furnish to the Owner an itemized breakdown of the quantities and prices used in computing the proposed change in Contract Price.

The Owner shall review the Contractor's proposal and respond to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt. If a change to the Contract Price and time for performance are agreed upon, both parties shall sign the Change Order. If the price and time are not agreed upon, the Owner may direct the Contractor to proceed under Subsection 38(a)(3) or 38(a)(4). Changes to the Contract time and/or Price shall be effective when signed by both parties, with the exception of a Unilateral Change Order that is only signed by the Owner.

- (c) In figuring changes, any instructions for measurement of quantities set forth in the Contract shall be followed.
- (d) The percentage for overhead and profit to be used in calculating both additive and deductive changes in the Work (other than changes covered by unit prices) shall not exceed the percentages for each category listed below. Said percentages for overhead and profit shall be applied only on the cost of the changed Work (i.e. difference in cost between original and revised Work):
  - (1) If a Subcontractor does all or part of the changed Work, the Subcontractor's markup for overhead and profit on the Work it performs shall be a maximum of ten percent (10%). The Contractor's markup on the subcontractor's price shall be a maximum of ten percent (10%).
  - (2) If the Contractor does all or part of the changed Work, its markup for overhead and profit on the changed Work it performs shall be a maximum of ten percent (10%).
  - (3) If a Sub-subcontractor at any tier does all or part of the changed Work, the Sub-subcontractor's markup on that Work shall be a maximum of ten percent (10%). The markup of a sub-subcontractor's Work by the Contractor and all intervening tiers of Subcontractors shall not exceed a total of ten percent (10%).
  - (4) Where Work is deleted from the Contract prior to commencement of that Work without substitution of other similar Work, one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price attributable to that Work shall be deducted from the Contract Price including applicable overhead costs and profit. However, in the event that material Submittals have been approved and orders placed for said materials, a lesser amount, but in no case less than eighty percent (80%) of the Contract Price attributable to that Work, shall be deducted from the Contract Price. The credit to the Owner for reduced premiums on labor and material bonds and performance bonds shall in all cases be one hundred percent (100%).

(e) Allowable costs for changes in the Work may include the following:

- (1) Labor costs for employees directly employed in the change in the Work, including actual salaries and wages plus the cost of payroll charges and fringe benefits and overtime premiums, if such premiums are explicitly authorized by the Owner. "Billable" or "loaded" labor or wage rates will not be accepted.
- (2) Materials incorporated into the change to the Work, including costs of transportation and storage, if applicable. If applicable, all cash discounts shall accrue to the Contractor, unless the Owner deposits funds with the Contractor to make such payments, and all trade discounts, rebates, refunds, and returns from the sale of surplus materials shall accrue to the Owner.
- (3) Equipment incorporated in the changed Work or equipment used directly in accomplishing the Work. If rented expressly for accomplishing the change in the Work, the cost shall be the rental rate according to the terms of the rental agreement, which the Owner shall have the right to approve. If owned by the Contractor, the costs shall be a reasonable price based upon the life expectancy of the equipment and the purchase price of the equipment. If applicable, transportation costs may be included.
- (4) Costs of increases in premiums for the Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond and the Standard Performance Bond, provided coverage for the cost of the change in the Work results in such increased costs. At the Owner's request, the Contractor shall provide proof of his notification to the Surety of the change in the Work and of the Surety's agreement to include such change in its coverage. The cost of the increase in premium shall be an allowable cost but shall not be marked up.
- (5) Contractor and Subcontractor overhead costs as set forth in Subsection (d) markups above.
- (6) If the change in the Work also changes the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date by adding days to perform the Work, an itemized accounting of the following Site direct overhead expenses for the change to the time may be considered as allowable costs for compensation in addition to those shown above: The Site superintendent's prorata salary, temporary Site office trailer expense, and temporary Site utilities including basic telephone service, electricity, heat, water, and sanitary/toilet facilities. All other direct and indirect overhead expenses are considered covered by and included in the Subsection (d) markups above.
- (7) Any other costs directly attributable to the change in the Work with the exception of those set forth below.

(f) Allowable costs for changes in the Work shall not include the following:

- (1) Costs due to the negligence of the Contractor, any Subcontractor, Supplier, their employees or other persons for whom the Contractor is responsible, including, but not limited to, costs for the correction of Defective Work, for improper disposal of material, for equipment wrongly supplied, for delay in performing the Work, or for delay in obtaining materials or equipment.

- (2) Home office expenses including payroll costs for the Contractor's officers, executives, administrators, project managers, accountants, counsel, engineers, timekeepers, estimators, clerks, and other similar administrative personnel employed by the Contractor, whether at the Site or in the Contractor's principal or branch office for general administration of the Work. These costs are deemed overhead included in the percentage markups allowable in Subsection (d) above.
  - (3) Home and field office expenses not itemized in Subsection 38(e)(6) above. Such items include, but are not limited to, expenses of Contractor's home and branch offices, Contractor's capital expenses, interest on Contractor's capital used for the Work, charges for delinquent payments, small tools, incidental job costs, meals, rent, utilities, telephone and office equipment, and other general overhead expenses.
- (g) All Change Orders must state that the Contract Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date is not changed or is either increased or decreased by a specific number of days. The old Time for Completion and, if changed, the new Time for Completion must be stated.

If the Contractor requests an extension to the Time for Completion or a later Contract Completion Date, he must provide written justification for the extension to the Architect/Engineer and to the Owner. The written justification must demonstrate an anticipated actual increase in the time required to complete the Work beyond that allowed by the Contract as adjusted by prior change orders or amendments to the Contract, not just an increase or decrease in the time needed to complete some portion of the total Work. When a CPM schedule is required by the Contract, no extension to the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date shall be allowed unless, and then only to the extent that, the additional or changed Work increases the length of the critical path beyond the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date. If approved, the increase in time required to complete the Work shall be added to the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date.

The Owner may decrease, by Change Order, the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date when an Owner-requested deletion from the Work results in a decrease in the actual time required to complete the Work as demonstrable on the Bar Graph Schedule or on the CPM Schedule, whichever is appropriate. The Contractor may submit a request to decrease, by Change Order, the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date under the procedures and subject to the considerations set forth in Section 19(g). No request for such decrease shall be considered for approval unless the proposed shorter schedule is otherwise acceptable under Sections 19(b) or (c), whichever is applicable. The Change Order decreasing the Time for Completion or changing the Contract Completion Date must be signed by both the Owner and the Contractor.

With the exception of Change Orders under Subsection 38(a)(4), which shall arrive at a change to the Contract Price and any change to time using the procedures set forth therein, each Change Order shall include all time and monetary impacts of the change, whether the Change Order is considered alone or with all other changes during the course of the Project. Failure to include a change to time and Contract Price in Section 38(a)(1) or (2) Change Orders shall waive any change to the time and Contract Price unless the parties mutually agree in writing to postpone a determination of the change to time and price resulting from the Change Order. Such a determination may be postponed not more than forty-five (45) days to give the Contractor an opportunity to demonstrate a change in the time and price needed to complete the Work. During any such postponement, the Work shall proceed, unless the Owner agrees otherwise.

If at any time there is a delay in the critical path of the Work due to postponement, due to the Contractor's efforts to justify an extension of the time or an increase in the Contract Price, or due to the Contractor's refusal to proceed with any of the Work, pending agreement on a change in time or price, such delay and any Contractor costs resulting from it shall not serve as the basis for the extension of the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date or for an increase in the Contract Price.

- (h) The acceptance by the Contractor of any payment made by the Owner under a Change Order shall be and operate as a release to the Owner of all claims by the Contractor and of all liability owing to the Contractor for all things done or furnished in connection with the Work described in the Change Order. The execution of any Change Order by the Owner shall not be an acceptance of any Work or materials not in accordance with the Contract Documents, nor shall it relieve the Contractor of responsibility for faulty materials or workmanship or operate to release the Contractor or his surety from any obligation arising under the Contract or the Standard Performance Bond or Standard Labor and Material Payment Bond.
- (i) Payments will not be made for any Work, labor or materials on a fixed price, unit price or Subsection 38(a)(4) basis until the Contractor has furnished the Owner documents, certified as true and correct by an authorized officer or agent of the Contractor, evidencing the cost of such Work, labor and materials. The Owner may require any or all of the following documentation to be provided by the Contractor:
  - (1) certified payroll records showing the name, classification, date, daily hours, total hours, rate, and extension for each laborer, foreman, supervisor or other worker;
  - (2) equipment type & model, dates, daily hours, total hours, rental rate or other specified rate, and extension for each unit of equipment;
  - (3) invoices for materials showing quantities, prices, and extensions;
  - (4) daily records of waste materials removed from the Site and/or fill materials imported to the Site;
  - (5) certified measurements of over excavations, piling installed and similar work; and/or
  - (6) transportation records for materials, including prices, loads, and extensions.

Requests for payment shall be accompanied and supported by invoices for all materials used and for all transportation charges claimed. If materials come from the Contractor's own stock, then an affidavit may be furnished, in lieu of invoices, certifying quantities, prices, etc. to support the actual cost.

### **39. CONTRACTOR'S RIGHT TO STOP WORK OR TERMINATE THE CONTRACT**

If the Work should be stopped under an order of any court or other public authority for a period of ninety (90) days through no fault of the Contractor or anyone employed by him, or if the Owner should fail to pay to the Contractor within sixty (60) days any sum certified by the Architect/Engineer when no dispute

exists as to the sum due or any provision of the Contract, then the Contractor may, upon ten (10) calendar days written notice to the Owner and the Architect/Engineer, stop Work or terminate the contract and recover from the Owner payment for the cost of the Work actually performed, together with overhead and profit thereon, but profit on the Work performed shall be recovered only to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate that he would have had profit on the entire Contract if he had completed the Work. The Contractor may not receive profit or any other type of compensation for parts of the Work not performed. The Contractor may recover the reasonable cost of physically closing down the Site, but no other costs of termination. The Owner may offset any claims it may have against the Contractor against the amounts due to the Contractor. In no event shall termination of the Contract by the Contractor terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

#### **40. OWNER'S RIGHT TO STOP WORK OR TERMINATE THE CONTRACT FOR CAUSE**

- (a) If the Contractor should be adjudged as bankrupt, or if he should make a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of his insolvency, the Owner may stop work or terminate the Contract. If the Contractor should refuse or should repeatedly fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper materials and equipment, or if he should fail to make prompt payment to Subcontractors or Suppliers of material or labor, or if he should disregard laws, ordinances or the written instructions of the Architect/Engineer or the Owner, or otherwise be in substantial violation of any provision of the Contract, then the Owner may stop work or terminate the Contract.
- (b) Prior to termination of the Contract, the Owner shall give the Contractor and his surety ten (10) calendar days written notice pursuant to Section 1 ("Notice") of these General Conditions, during which the Contractor and/or his surety may rectify the basis for the notice. If rectified to the satisfaction of the Owner within said ten (10) days, the Owner may rescind its notice of termination. If not, the termination for cause shall become effective at the end of the ten (10) day notice period. In the alternative, the Owner may, in writing, postpone the effective date of the termination for cause, at its sole discretion, if it should receive reassurances from the Contractor and/or its surety that the basis for the termination will be remedied in a time and manner which the Owner finds acceptable. If at any time after such postponement, the Owner determines that Contractor and/or its surety has not or is not likely to rectify the causes of termination in an acceptable manner or within the time allowed, then the Owner may immediately terminate the Contract for cause, without the necessity of further ten (10) day notice, by notifying the Contractor and his surety in writing of the termination. In no event shall termination for cause terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.
- (c) Upon termination of the Contract, the Owner shall take possession of the Site and of all materials, tools and equipment thereon and finish the Work by whatever method he may deem expedient. In such case the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment. If the expense of finishing the Work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative services, shall exceed the unpaid balance of the Contract Price, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner, together with any other expenses of terminating the Contract and having it completed by others.
- (d) If it should be judicially determined that the Owner improperly terminated this Contract for cause, then the termination shall be deemed to be a termination for the convenience of the Owner.

- (e) Termination of the Contract under this Section is in addition to and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the Owner. Any actions by the Owner permitted herein shall not be deemed a waiver of any other right or remedy of the Owner under the Contract or under the law. The Owner may offset any claims it may have against the Contractor against the amounts due to the Contractor. The provisions of this Section shall survive termination of the Contract.

#### **41. TERMINATION BY OWNER FOR CONVENIENCE**

- (a) Owner may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, at any time without cause upon giving the Contractor written notice of such termination pursuant to Section 1 (“Notice”) of these General Conditions. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall immediately cease Work and remove from the Site all of its labor forces and such of its materials as Owner elects not to purchase or to assume in the manner hereinafter provided. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall take such steps as Owner may require to assign to the Owner the Contractor’s interest in all Subcontracts and purchase orders designated by Owner. After all such steps have been taken to Owner’s satisfaction, the Contractor shall receive as full compensation for termination and assignment the following:
  - (1) All amounts then otherwise due under the terms of this Contract;
  - (2) Amounts due for Work performed in accordance with the Contract subsequent to the latest approved Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) through the date of termination;
  - (3) Reasonable compensation for the actual cost of demobilization incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation or damages for lost profits or for any other type of contractual compensation or damages other than those provided by the preceding sentence. Upon payment of the foregoing, Owner shall have no further obligations to Contractor of any nature.
- (b) In no event shall termination for the convenience of the Owner terminate the obligations of the Contractor’s surety on its payment and performance bonds.

#### **42. DAMAGES FOR DELAYS; EXTENSION OF TIME**

- (a) If the Contractor is delayed at any time in the progress of the Work by any act or omission of the Owner, its agents or employees or any separate independent contractor of the Owner, and the act or omission is the result of or is necessitated by causes outside the Owner’s control; or if the Contractor is delayed by strikes, fires, unusual delays in transportation or unavoidable casualties, or other causes outside the Owner’s or Contractor’s control, the Contractor shall give the Owner and Architect/Engineer written notice within five (5) days of the inception of the delay. The Owner shall extend the time for Substantial Completion or Final Completion, as the case may be, for the length of time that the Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Work was actually delayed thereby, and the Contractor shall not be charged with liquidated or actual damages for delay during the period of such extension nor shall the Contractor be due compensation or damages of any kind, under any theory of law, as a result of such delay, the impact of such delay, or acceleration of Work

as a result of such delay. In the event a CPM schedule is required by the Contract, no extension of the time allowed for Substantial Completion shall be granted unless the Contractor demonstrates a delay in the critical path of the approved CPM schedule or approved bar graph schedule.

- (b) If the Contractor is delayed at any time in the progress of the Work by any act or omission of the Owner, its agents or employees, due to causes within their control, or delayed by the Owner's separate, independent contractors, when such delay results from causes within the Owner's control, and the Contractor intends to seek additional compensation for damages, if any, caused by the delay, the Contractor shall inform the Owner and the Architect/Engineer immediately at the time of the occurrence giving rise to the delay by the fastest means available and shall give written notice no later than five (5) days after inception of the delay. The Contractor's notice to the Owner shall specify the nature of the delay claimed by the Contractor, the cause of the delay and the impact of the delay on the Contractor's Work schedule. The Owner shall then have five (5) days to respond to the Contractor's notice with a resolution, remedy or direction to alleviate the delay or with a notice rejecting the claim for delay alleged to be caused by the Owner or parties for whom the Owner is responsible. If the issue is not then resolved, the Contractor may submit a request for Change Order in accordance with Section 38 or submit a claim as provided for in Section 46. The Contractor shall only be entitled to additional compensation if the delay was unreasonable and was caused solely by acts or omissions of the Owner, its agents or employees, due to causes within their control, or was caused by the Owner's separate, independent contractor, when such delay resulted solely from causes within the Owner's control.
- (c) The Contractor shall not be entitled to an extension of the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date or to any additional compensation for delays caused by acts or omissions of the Contractor due to causes within his control, including, but not limited to, delays resulting from Defective Work including workmanship and/or materials, from rejected work which must be corrected before dependent work can proceed, from Defective Work or rejected work for which corrective action must be determined before like work can proceed, or from incomplete, incorrect or unacceptable submittals or samples.
- (d) No extension of time or additional compensation, if applicable, will be granted for any delay unless the claimed delay directly affects the critical path of the approved CPM schedule or the schedule shown on the approved bar graph schedule, whichever is applicable, and any float has been consumed. No extension of time or additional compensation shall be given for a delay if the Contractor failed to give notice in the manner and within the time prescribed in Subsections (a) or (b) above, whichever applies. Furthermore, no extension of time or additional compensation shall be given for any delay unless a claim therefor is made in writing to the Owner, with a copy to the Architect/Engineer, within twenty (20) days of the end of the delay. The claim shall state the cause of the delay, the number of days of extension requested and any compensation requested by the Contractor. The Contractor shall report the termination of the delay to the Owner and Architect/Engineer not less than ten (10) days after such termination. Failure to give notice of either the inception or the termination of the cause of delay or failure to present a claim for extension of time and/or monetary compensation within the times prescribed shall constitute a waiver of any claim for extension or additional compensation based upon that cause.
- (e) Requests for compensation for delays pursuant to Subsection (b) above must be substantiated by itemized data and records clearly showing that the Work delayed was on the critical path of the **approved** CPM schedule or on the sequence of Work on the **approved** bar graph schedule, as

modified, and that the additional costs incurred by the Contractor are directly attributable to the delay in the Work claimed. Furthermore, compensation for delay shall be calculated from the contractual Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date, as adjusted by Change Order, and shall not be calculated based on any early completion planned or scheduled by the Contractor, unless a Change Order has been executed pursuant to Section 19(g) changing the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date to reflect such early completion. See Section 19 for procedures for the Contractor to follow if he plans early completion of the Work and wishes to request a Change Order reflecting the early completion date.

If there is an extension in the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date and if the Contractor is entitled to compensation under Subsection 42(b), and where there is no change in the Work, an itemized accounting of the following direct Site overhead expenses will be considered as allowable costs to be used in determining the compensation due the Contractor:

Site superintendent prorata salary, temporary Site office expense, temporary Site facilities, and temporary Site utilities including basic telephone service, electricity, heat, water, and sanitary/toilets. A ten percent (10%) markup of these expenses will be allowed to compensate the Contractor for home office and other direct or indirect overhead expenses.

- (f) If the Contractor submits a claim for delay damages pursuant to Subsection 42(b) above, the Contractor shall be liable to the Owner for a percentage of all costs incurred by the Owner in investigating, analyzing, negotiating and litigating the claim, which percentage shall be equal to the percentage of the Contractor's total delay claim that is determined through litigation to be false or to have no basis in law or in fact. (§2.2-4335(C), Code of Virginia.)
- (g) Any change in the Contract Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date shall be accomplished only by issuance of a Change Order.
- (h) If the Contractor fails to complete the Work within the Time for Completion or the Contract Completion Date, the Contractor shall be liable to the Owner in the amounts set forth in the Supplemental General Conditions, if any, not as a penalty, but as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for delay until the Work is substantially or finally completed as the case may be. If liquidated damages are not so fixed in the Supplemental General Conditions, the Contractor shall be liable for any and all actual damages sustained as a result of delay. In addition to damages for delay, whether liquidated or actual, the Contractor shall also be liable for any and all actual damages sustained by the Owner as a result of any other breach of the Contract, including, but not limited to, Defective Work and abandonment of the Contract.
- (i) If liquidated damages are provided by the Supplemental General Conditions, the following provisions apply:
  - (1) If the Work is not substantially complete by the Time for Completion or Contract Completion Date, the Contractor shall owe to the Owner, not as a penalty but as Step One liquidated damages, the sum stated in the Supplemental General Conditions for Step One liquidated damages for each and every partial or total calendar day of delay in Substantial Completion.

- (2) Once the Work is substantially complete, the accrual of Step One liquidated damages shall cease and the Contractor shall have thirty (30) calendar days, unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, in which to achieve Final Completion of the Work.
- (3) If Final Completion of the Work is not achieved on or before the thirtieth (30th) calendar day, or the date specified in the Contract Documents, after Substantial Completion, and if the Owner has not granted any extension of time, the Contractor shall owe to the Owner, not as a penalty but as Step Two liquidated damages, the sum stated in the Supplemental General Conditions as Step Two liquidated damages for each and every partial or total calendar day of delay in Final Completion.

#### **43. INSPECTION FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION & FINAL COMPLETION**

- (a) The Contractor shall notify the Owner, in writing on the Certificate of Partial or Substantial Completion by the Contractor (Form AC-13.2a), of the date when the Work or designated portion thereof, will be, in his opinion, substantially complete and ready for inspection and testing to determine if it has reached Substantial Completion. The notice shall be given at least ten (10) days in advance of said date and shall be forwarded through the Architect/Engineer, who will attach his written endorsement as to whether or not he concurs with the Contractor's statement that the Work will be ready for inspection and testing on the date given. The Architect/Engineer's endorsement is a convenience to the Owner only and shall not relieve the Contractor of his responsibility in the matter nor shall the Architect/Engineer's endorsement be deemed to be evidence that the Work was substantially complete and ready for inspection and testing. Inspection and testing shall take place at a time(s) mutually agreeable to the Contractor, Owner and Architect/Engineer.

The inspection shall include a demonstration by the Contractor that all equipment, systems and operable components of the project function properly and in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall furnish access for the inspection and testing as provided in Section 21 of these General Conditions. The inspection and testing shall determine whether Substantial Completion has been accomplished and shall result in a written list of unfinished Work and Defective Work, commonly referred to as a "punch list", which must be finished and corrected to obtain Final Completion.

After successful completion of the testing and the Architect/Engineer determines that, in its opinion, the Work, either in whole or in part, is substantially complete, the Architect/Engineer shall notify the Owner, in writing on the Certificate of Partial or Substantial Completion by the Architect/Engineer (Form AC-13.1a), that the Work, or a specified portion thereof, is recommended to be declared substantially complete. The Owner shall notify the Contractor, in writing, of the date the Owner accepts the Work, or the specified portion thereof, as substantially complete or the Owner shall notify the Contractor of the deficiencies to be corrected or completed before such Work will be accepted as substantially complete.

- (b) The Contractor shall notify the Owner, in writing on the Certificate of Completion by the Contractor (Form AC-13.2), of the date when the Work has reached or will reach Final Completion and will be ready for final inspection and testing. The notice shall be given at least five (5) days in advance of said date and shall be forwarded through the Architect/Engineer, who will attach his endorsement as to whether or not he concurs in the Contractor's statement that the Work will be ready for inspection

and testing on the date given. That inspection and any necessary testing shall be conducted in the same manner as the inspection for Substantial Completion. When the Work is finally and totally complete, including the elimination of all defects, and the Owner has received all project close-out deliverables, the Work shall be finally accepted by the Owner and final payment shall be made in accordance with Section 36 of these General Conditions.

- (c) The Architect/Engineer shall conduct the inspections. The Owner may elect to have other persons of its choosing also participate in the inspections. If one or more Substantial or Final Completion reinspections are required, the Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for all costs of reinspection or, at the Owner's option, the costs may be deducted from payments due to the Contractor.
- (d) A representative of the local Building Official will either be present at the Substantial and Final Completion inspections or otherwise inspect the completed Work and advise the Owner whether the Work meets the requirements of the applicable building code(s).
- (e) Approval of Work at or as a result of any inspection required herein shall not release the Contractor or his surety from responsibility for complying with the Contract.

#### **44. GUARANTEE OF WORK**

- (a) Except as otherwise specified, all Work shall be, and is hereby, guaranteed by the Contractor against defects resulting from the use of materials, equipment or workmanship, which are defective, inferior, or not in accordance with the terms of the Contract, for one (1) year from the date of Final Completion of the entire Project by the Owner. Equipment and facilities which have seasonal limitations on their operation (e.g. heating or air conditioning units) shall be guaranteed for one (1) full year from the date of seasonally appropriate tests and acceptance, in writing, by the Owner. Where the Owner agrees to take Beneficial Occupancy of a portion or phase of the Work which has been determined to be substantially complete before the entire Work is finally completed, the guarantees for the materials, equipment and workmanship in that portion or phase shall begin on the date that the Owner takes Beneficial Occupancy, unless otherwise specified in the Supplemental General Conditions, Special Conditions, or by separate agreement.
- (b) Unless the Owner approves otherwise, the warranty period for new equipment shall begin with the contract substantial completion date, regardless of whether the Contractor has used said equipment in the performance, installation, or application of the Work.
- (c) If, within any guarantee period, Work which is not in accordance with the Contract, Defective Work, or inferior material, equipment or workmanship is noted by the Owner or Architect/Engineer which requires or renders necessary repairs or changes in connection with the guaranteed Work, the Contractor shall, promptly upon receipt of notice from the Owner, such notice being given not later than two weeks after the guarantee period expires, and without expense to the Owner:
  - (1) Place in satisfactory condition in every particular all of such guaranteed Work and correct all defects, inferior materials, equipment or workmanship therein;
  - (2) Make good all damage to the structure or Site or equipment or contents thereof, which, in the opinion of the Owner or the Architect/Engineer, is the result of the use of materials, equipment

or workmanship which are inferior, defective or not in accordance with the terms of the Contract; and

- (3) Make good any Work or materials or the equipment and contents of structures and/or Site disturbance that results from fulfilling the provisions of this Section.
- (d) In any case, when in fulfilling the requirements of the Contract and this guarantee or any other guaranty or warranty, the Contractor disturbs any work performed by a separate contractor, he shall restore such work to a condition satisfactory to the Architect/Engineer and Owner and guarantee such restored work to the same extent as if it was guaranteed under this Contract.
  - (e) If the Contractor, after notice, fails to proceed promptly to comply with the terms of the guarantee as set forth in this Section, the Owner may have the defects or inferior materials, equipment or workmanship corrected and the Contractor and his surety shall be liable for all expense incurred.
  - (f) All special warranties and guarantees applicable to definite parts of the Work that may be stipulated in or required by the Contract Documents shall be subject to the terms of this Section during the first year of the life of such special warranty or guarantee.
  - (g) The guarantee of this Section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of all other warranties, express or implied, applicable to or arising from this Contract or by law.
  - (h) Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to any other obligation which the Contractor might have under the Contract Documents, including liability for Detective Work under Section 30. This Section relates only to the specific obligation of the Contractor as set forth in this Section to correct the Work and does not limit the time within which his obligation to comply with the Contract Documents may be sought to be enforced, nor the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish the Contractor's liability with respect to his other obligations under the Contract Documents.
  - (i) In the event the Work of the Contractor is to be modified by another contractor, either before or after the Final Inspection provided by Section 43 of the General Conditions, the first Contractor shall remain responsible in all respects under this Section's Guarantee of Work and under any other warranties or guarantees, express or implied, applicable to or arising from this Contract or by law. However, the Contractor shall not be responsible for any defects in material or workmanship introduced by the contractor modifying his Work. The first Contractor and the contractor making the modifications shall each be solely responsible for his respective work. The contractor modifying the earlier Work shall be responsible for any damage to or defect introduced into the Work by his modification. If the first contractor claims that a subsequent contractor has introduced defects of materials and/or workmanship into his Work, it shall be the burden of the contractor making the claim to demonstrate clearly the nature and extent of such introduced defects and the other contractor's responsibility for those defects. Any contractor modifying the work of another shall have the same burden if he asserts that defects in his work were caused by the contractor whose work he is modifying.

#### **45. ASSIGNMENTS OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

Neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract in whole or any part without the written consent of the other, nor shall the Contractor assign any monies due or to become due to him hereunder, without the prior written consent of the Owner. No assignment shall relieve any party from its obligations under the Contract.

#### **46. CONTRACTUAL DISPUTES (§2.2-4363, Code of Virginia)**

Contractual claims, whether for money or for other relief, shall be submitted, in writing, no later than sixty (60) days after final payment; however, written notice of the Contractor's intention to file such claim must be given at the time of the occurrence or beginning of the Work upon which the claim is based. The filing of a timely notice is a prerequisite to recovery under this Section. Although the Contractor may be required to submit certain classes of claims prior to final payment, and the Contractor is not prevented from filing claims during the pendency of the Work, the Owner shall not be obligated to render a final written decision on any claim until after final payment. All claims shall be submitted along with all practically available supporting evidence and documentation.

No written decision denying a claim or addressing issues related to the claim, if rendered prior to final payment, shall be considered a denial pursuant to this Section unless the written decision makes express reference to this Section and is signed by the Owner or his designee. The Contractor may not institute legal action prior to receipt of the Owner's final written decision on the claim unless the Owner fails to render such a decision within ninety (90) days of submission of the claim or within ninety (90) days of final payment, whichever is later.

The decision of the Owner shall be final and conclusive unless the Contractor within six (6) months of the date of the final decision on a claim, initiates legal action as provided in §2.2-4364 of the Code of Virginia. Failure of the Owner to render a decision within 90 days shall not result in the Contractor being awarded the relief claimed nor shall it result in any other relief or penalty. The sole result of the Owner's failure to render a decision within 90 days shall be the Contractor's right to immediately institute legal action. No administrative appeals procedure pursuant to §2.2-4365 of the Code of Virginia has been established for contractual claims under this Contract. Venue for any litigation arising hereunder shall be in the Circuit Court for the County of Albemarle, Virginia.

#### **47. ASBESTOS**

- (a) This subsection applies to projects involving existing buildings where asbestos abatement is not a part of the Work, when the scope of the project has been reviewed and a comprehensive survey conducted by an individual licensed by the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to conduct building inspections for asbestos containing materials in buildings, and where the Owner has attempted to remove or encapsulate all asbestos containing material that may become friable or damaged during this Project.

Prior to commencement of Work, the results of the comprehensive survey or any other asbestos survey shall be made available to the Contractor, who shall be responsible for performing his Work

so as not to disturb any remaining asbestos, encapsulated or otherwise, identified in such survey or surveys.

If the Contractor discovers or inadvertently disturbs any material that he knows, should have known or has reason to believe, may contain asbestos that has not been previously identified, was overlooked during the removal, was deemed not to be friable or was encapsulated, the Contractor shall stop Work in the area containing or suspected to contain the asbestos, secure the area, and notify the Owner and the Architect/Engineer immediately by telephone or in person with written notice as soon as possible. The Owner will have the suspect material sampled.

If the sample is positive and must be disturbed in the course of the Work, the Owner shall have the material repaired or removed and shall pay for the bulk sample analysis.

Except as provided in §11-4.1 of the Code of Virginia, if the material disturbed is not within the Contractor's authorized Work and/or Work area or under this Contract, the Contractor shall pay for all associated sampling and abatement Costs.

- (b) If asbestos abatement is included as a part of the Work, the Contractor shall assure that the asbestos abatement work is accomplished by those duly licensed as described in Section 3 of these General Conditions and in accordance with the specific requirements of the Contract and all applicable laws and regulations.
- (c) If asbestos abatement is included as part of the Work, the licensed asbestos Subcontractor shall obtain the insurance required under Section 11(e) of these General Conditions.

#### **48. TRAINING, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT**

- (a) As a part of the Work, the Contractor in conjunction with his Subcontractors and Suppliers shall provide the Owner's operations and maintenance personnel with adequate instruction and training in the proper operation and maintenance of any equipment, systems, and related controls provided or altered in the Work. The training requirements may be further defined in the specifications.
- (b) The Contractor shall provide the Owner with a minimum of two (2) copies of operating, maintenance and parts manuals for all equipment and systems provided in the Work. Further specific requirements may be indicated in the specifications.

#### **49. PROJECT MEETINGS**

- (a) The intention of this Section is that the Contractor, the Owner and the A/E have timely exchange of information and cooperate to accomplish the Work as required by the Contract Documents. The Contractor is responsible for managing the Work, obtaining approvals and requesting clarifications on a timely, reasonable basis. The Owner and its A/E are responsible for making a reasonable effort to provide timely responses to the Contractor.

(b) **Preconstruction Meeting:**

Prior to the start of construction and no later than 15 calendar days after the Notice to Proceed, a "Preconstruction" meeting shall be held with attendees to include the Owner's Project Manager and Project Inspector, the Architect/Engineer's project manager and representatives of each design discipline involved in the Project, the Contractor's project manager and superintendent (and scheduler, if Contractor desires), and representatives of the Contractor's major Subcontractors. The purpose of the meeting is to clarify and discuss the specifics related to, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Persons involved from each entity and their chain of authority including the names of persons authorized to sign Change Orders and any limits to their authority.
- (2) Names, addresses, telephone numbers, FAX numbers, and email addresses to be used for Requests for Information (RFI), Requests for Clarification (RFC), Requests for Proposals (RFP), shop drawings, submittals, and notices.
- (3) Contractor's proposed construction schedule and Owner's sequencing requirements, if any.
- (4) Schedule of Values and Certificate for Payment (Form AC-12) requirements and procedures.
- (5) Procedures for shop drawings, product data and Submittals.
- (6) Procedures for handling Field Orders and Change Order Form AC-11.
- (7) Procedures for Contractor's request for time extension, if any.
- (8) Construction Site requirements, procedures and clarifications to include:
  - Manner of conducting the Work presentation to be done by members of the project team, preferably Contractor's superintendent and project manager.
  - Site specialties such as dust and erosion control, stormwater management, project signs, clean up and housekeeping, temporary facilities, utilities, security, and traffic.
  - Safety.
  - Layout of the Work.
  - Quality control, testing, inspections and notices required.
  - Site visits by the A/E and others.
  - Owner's Project Inspector duties.
  - Running Punch List.
  - As-Built Drawings.
- (9) Procedures and documentation of differing or unforeseen Site conditions.
- (10) Monthly Pay Meeting.
- (11) Project Close-Out requirements and procedures.
- (12) Project records.

(c) **Monthly Pay Meeting:**

Section 36 establishes the requirement for a monthly pay meeting which will usually be held at or near the Site. In addition to Owner, A/E and Contractor representatives, the following representatives, at a minimum, should be available to attend portions of the meeting, as applicable or necessary:

- Owner's Project Inspector.
- Contractor's project superintendent.
- A/E representative of each discipline where Work was performed for the current pay request or where Work is projected to be performed in the coming month.
- A representative of each subcontractor who performed work included in the current pay request.
- A representative of each subcontractor who is projected to perform work in the coming month.

The following topics should be included, as a minimum, in the monthly pay meeting:

- (1) Observations of status, quality and workmanship of Work in progress.
- (2) Validation of the Schedule of Values and Certificate for payment.
- (3) Conformance with proposed construction schedule.
- (4) Outstanding Requests for Information, Requests for Clarification and Requests for Proposal.
- (5) Submittals with action pending.
- (6) Status of pending Change Orders.
- (7) Status of Running Punch List items.
- (8) Work proposed for coming pay period.
- (9) Discussions of any problems or potential problems which need attention.

(d) **Other Meetings:**

Requirements for other meetings, such as progress meetings, coordination meetings, preinstallation meetings and/or partnering meetings, may be included in the Contract Documents.

\*\*\*\*\* END OF GENERAL CONDITIONS \*\*\*\*\*