

## CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

WAKULLA COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, by and through its Board of County Commissioners, situated at 3093 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 (the "County"), hereby contracts with Panacea Coastal Construction (the "Contractor") of Post Office Box 282, Panacea, FL 32346, a contractor licensed to perform all work in the State of Florida in connection with the repairs of the Wakulla County Welcome Center (the "Project"), as said work is set forth in the Plans and Specifications prepared by Preble-Rish Engineering, the Engineer and/or Architect of Record (the "Design Professional") and other Contract Documents hereafter specified (the "Work").

The County and the Contractor, for the consideration herein set forth, agree as follows:

### Section 1. Contract Documents.

A. The Contract Documents consist of this Agreement, the Exhibits described in Section 6 hereof, the Legal Advertisement, the Instructions to Bidders, the Proposal and any duly executed and issued addenda, Change Orders, Work Directive Changes, Field Orders, Work Authorizations and amendments relating thereto. All of the foregoing Contract Documents are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement (all of said documents including the Agreement sometimes being referred to herein as the "Contract Documents" and sometimes as the "Agreement"). A copy of the Contract Documents shall be maintained by Contractor at the Project site at all times during the performance of the Work.

B. The County shall furnish to the Contractor up to five (5) sets of the Contract Documents as are reasonably necessary for execution of the Work. Additional copies of the Contract Documents shall be furnished, upon request, at the cost of reproduction.

### Section 2. Scope of Work.

The Contractor agrees to furnish and pay for all management, supervision, financing, labor, materials, tools, fuel, supplies, utilities, equipment and services of every kind and type necessary to diligently, timely, and fully perform and complete in a good and workmanlike manner the work required by this Agreement.

### Section 3. Contract Amount.

In consideration of the faithful performance by the Contractor of the covenants in this Agreement to the full satisfaction and acceptance of the County, the County agrees to pay, or cause to be paid, to Contractor the following amount (herein "Contract Amount"), in accordance with the terms of this Agreement: \$59,800.00 or in WORDS, Fifty-Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars.

#### Section 4. Bonds.

A. The Contractor shall provide Performance and Payment Bonds, in the form prescribed in the Exhibits to the Agreement, in the amount of 100% of the Contract Amount, the costs of which are to be paid by Contractor. The Performance and Payment Bonds shall be underwritten by a surety authorized to do business in the State of Florida and otherwise acceptable to the County; provided, however, the surety shall be rated as "A-" or better as to general policy holders rating and Class V or higher rating as to financial size category and the amount required shall not exceed 5% of the reported policy holders surplus, all as reported in the most current Best Key Rating Guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Inc. of 75 Fulton Street, New York, New York 10038.

B. If the surety for any bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent, its right to do business is terminated in the State of Florida, or it ceases to meet the requirements imposed by the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall, within five (5) calendar days thereafter, substitute another bond and surety, both of which shall be subject to the County's approval.

#### Section 5. Contract Time and Liquidated Damages

A. Time is of the essence in the performance of the Work under this Agreement. The "Commencement Date" shall be established in the Notice to Proceed to be issued by the County. The Contractor shall commence the Work within five (5) calendar days from the Commencement Date. No Work shall be performed at the Project site prior to the Commencement Date. Any Work performed by the Contractor prior to the Commencement Date shall be at the sole risk of the Contractor. The Work shall be substantially completed within 60 calendar days from the Commencement Date. The date of substantial completion of the Work (or designated portions thereof) is the date certified by the Design Professional when construction is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so the County can occupy or utilize the Work (or designated portions thereof) for the use for which it is intended. The Work shall be fully completed and ready for final acceptance by the County within 90 calendar days from the Commencement Date (herein "Contract Time").

B. The County and the Contractor recognize that, since time is of the essence for this Agreement, the County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not substantially completed within the time specified above, as said time may be adjusted as provided for herein. Should the Contractor fail to substantially complete the Work within the time period noted above, the County shall be entitled to assess, as liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, \$500.00 for each calendar day thereafter until substantial completion is achieved. The Project shall be deemed to be substantially completed on the date the Design Professional issues a Substantial Completion Certificate pursuant to the terms hereof. The Contractor hereby expressly waives and relinquishes any right which it may have to seek to characterize the above noted liquidated damages as a penalty, which the parties agree represents a fair and reasonable estimate of the County's actual damages at the time of contracting if the Contractor fails to substantially complete the Work in a timely manner.

C. When any period of time is referenced by days herein, it shall be computed to exclude the first day and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or on a day made a legal holiday by the law of the applicable jurisdiction, such day shall be omitted from the computation, and the last day shall become the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

## Section 6. Intent of Contract Documents

A. It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete project (or portion thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents. Any work, materials or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents as being required to produce the intended result shall be supplied whether or not specifically called for. When words which have a well known technical or trade meaning are used to describe work, materials or equipment, such words shall be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Reference to standard specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or association or to the laws or regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard specification, manual, code, law or regulation in effect at the time the Work is performed, except as may be otherwise specifically stated herein.

B. If before or during the performance of the Work, Contractor discovers a conflict, error or discrepancy in the Contract Documents, Contractor immediately shall report same to Design Professional in writing and before proceeding with the Work affected thereby shall obtain a written interpretation or clarification from the Design Professional. Contractor shall take field measurements and verify field conditions and shall carefully compare such field measurements and conditions and other information known to Contractor with the Contract Documents before commencing any portion of the Work.

C. Drawings are intended to show general arrangements, design and extent of Work and are not intended to serve as shop drawings. Specifications are separated into divisions for convenience of reference only and shall not be interpreted as establishing divisions for the Work, trades, subcontracts, or extent of any part of the Work. In the event of a discrepancy between or among the drawings, specifications or other Contract Document provisions, Contractor shall be required to comply with the provision which is the more restrictive or stringent requirement upon the Contractor, as determined by the Design Professional. Unless otherwise specifically mentioned, all anchors, bolts, screws, fittings, fillers, hardware, accessories, trim and other parts required in connection with any portion of the Work to make a complete, serviceable, finished and first quality installation shall be furnished and installed as part of the Work, whether or not called for by the Contract Documents.

## Section 7. Investigation and Utilities

A. Contractor shall have the sole responsibility of satisfying itself concerning the nature and location of the Work and the general and local conditions, and particularly, but without limitation, with respect to the following: those affecting transportation, access, disposal, handling

and storage of materials; availability and quality of labor; water and electric power; availability and condition of roads; work area; living facilities; climatic conditions and seasons; physical conditions at the work-site and the project area as a whole; topography and ground surface conditions; nature and quantity of the surface materials to be encountered; subsurface conditions; equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during performance of the Work; and all other costs associated with such performance. The failure of Contractor to acquaint itself with any applicable conditions shall not relieve Contractor from any of its responsibilities to perform under the Contract Documents, nor shall it be considered the basis for any claim for additional time or compensation.

B. Contractor shall locate all existing roadways, railways, drainage facilities and utility services above, upon, or under the Project site, said roadways, railways, drainage facilities and utilities being referred to in this Sub-Section 7.B. as the "Utilities". Contractor shall contact the owners of all Utilities to determine the necessity for relocating or temporarily interrupting any Utilities during the construction of the Project. Contractor shall schedule and coordinate its Work around any such relocation or temporary service interruption. Contractor shall be responsible for properly shoring, supporting and protecting all Utilities at all times during the course of the Work. Relocation or shutdown of County facilities must be requested by the Contractor in writing a minimum of ten (10) calendar days prior to the proposed Work. The County shall have the final decision with respect to whether the relocation or shutdown is required and when the relocation or shutdown of facilities may take place. The Work may need to be performed at night or on weekends to minimize the interruption of service or to meet the operational needs of the County's facilities.

#### Section 8. Schedule

A. The Contractor, within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a Notice of Award, shall prepare and submit to the County and Design Professional, for their review and approval, a progress schedule for the Project (herein "Progress Schedule"). The Progress Schedule shall relate to all Work required by the Contract Documents and shall provide for expeditious and practicable execution of the Work within the Contract Time. The Progress Schedule shall indicate the dates for starting and completing the various stages of the Work.

B. The Progress Schedule shall be updated monthly by the Contractor. All monthly updates to the Progress Schedule shall be subject to the County's and Design Professional's review and approval. Contractor shall submit the updates to the Progress Schedule with its monthly Applications for Payment noted below. The County's and the Design Professional's review and approval of the submitted Progress Schedule updates shall be a condition precedent to the County's obligation to pay Contractor.

#### Section 9. Progress Payments

A. Prior to submitting its first monthly Application for Payment, Contractor shall submit to the County and the Design Professional, for their review and approval, a schedule of values based upon the Contract Price, listing the major elements of the Work and the dollar value for each element. After its approval by the County and Design Professional, this schedule of values shall be used as the basis for the Contractor's monthly Applications for Payment. This schedule shall be

updated and submitted each month to the Design Professional along with a completed and notarized copy of the Application for Payment form.

B. Prior to submitting its first monthly Application for Payment, Contractor shall submit to the County and the Design Professional a complete list of all its proposed subcontractors and materialmen, showing the work and materials involved and the dollar amount of each proposed subcontract and purchase order. The first Application for Payment shall be submitted no earlier than thirty (30) days after the Commencement Date.

C. If payment is requested on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated into the Project, but delivered and suitably stored at the site or at another location agreed to by the County in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice or other documentation warranting that the County has received the materials and equipment free and clear of all liens, charges, security interests and encumbrances, together with evidence that the materials and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance and other arrangements to protect the County's interest therein, all of which shall be subject to the County's satisfaction.

D. Contractor shall submit six (6) copies of its monthly Application for Payment to the Design Professional on or before the 25th day of each month for work performed during the previous month. Invoices received after the 25th day of each month shall be considered for payment as part of the next month's application. Within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of each Application for Payment, the Design Professional shall either:

D.1 Indicate his approval of the requested payment;

D.2 Indicate his approval of only a portion of the requested payment, stating in writing his reasons therefore; or

D.3 Return the Application for Payment to the Contractor indicating, in writing, the reason for refusing to approve payment.

In the event of a total denial and return of the Application for Payment by the Design Professional, the Contractor may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application for Payment. The County shall, within thirty (30) calendar days after County approval of an Application for Payment, pay the Contractor the amounts so approved. Provided, however, in no event shall the County be obligated to pay any amount greater than that portion of the Application for Payment approved by the Design Professional.

E. The County shall initially retain ten percent (10%) of the gross amount of each monthly payment request or ten percent (10%) of the portion thereof approved by the Design Professional for payment, whichever is less. After 50% of the services are completed, the COUNTY will reduce the retainage to five percent (5%) of each subsequent progress payment. Such sums shall be accumulated and released to Contractor with final payment.

For purposes of determining 50% completion, stored material and general job costs such as mobilization, bonds, insurance, field office costs and like costs shall be excluded. Additionally, for purposes of this determination, each major discipline (electrical and instrumentation, structural, and mechanical) must independently achieve 50% completion in order for the project services to be deemed 50% complete.

F. Monthly payments to Contractor shall in no way imply approval or acceptance of Contractor's work.

G. Each Application for Payment shall be accompanied by a Release and Affidavit, in the form attached to this Agreement, showing that all materials, labor, equipment and other bills associated with that portion of the Work for which payment is being requested have been paid in full. The County shall not be required to make payment until and unless these affidavits are furnished by the Contractor.

H. Contractor agrees and understands that funding limitations exist and that the expenditure of funds must be spread over the duration of the Project at regular intervals based on the Contract Amount and Progress Schedule. Accordingly, prior to submitting its first monthly Application for Payment, Contractor shall prepare and submit for the County's and the Design Professional's review and approval, a detailed Project Funding Schedule, which shall be updated as necessary and approved by the County to reflect approved adjustments to the Contract Amount and Contract Time. No voluntary acceleration or early completion of the Work shall modify the time of payments to Contractor as set forth in the approved Project Funding Schedule.

#### Section 10. Payments Withheld

A. The Design Professional or the County may decline to approve any Application for Payment, or portions thereof, because of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent inspections. The Design Professional or the County may nullify the whole or any part of any approval for payment previously issued and the County may withhold any payments otherwise due Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between the County and Contractor, to such extent as may be necessary in the County's opinion to protect it from loss because of:

A.1 Defective Work not remedied;

A.2 Third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims;

A.3 Failure of Contractor to make payment properly to subcontractors or for labor, materials or equipment;

A.4 Reasonable doubt that the Work can be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Amount;

A.5 Reasonable indication that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time;

A.6 Unsatisfactory prosecution of the Work by the Contractor;

A.7 Failure to provide accurate and current "As-Builts"; or

A.8 Any other material breach of the Contract Documents.

B. If these conditions in Subsection 9.A are not remedied or removed, the County may, after three (3) days written notice, rectify the same at Contractor's expense. The County also may offset against any sums due Contractor the amount of any liquidated or unliquidated obligations of Contractor to the County, whether relating to or arising out of this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and the County.

#### Section 11. Final Payment

A. The County shall make final payment to Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days after the Work is finally inspected and accepted by both the County and the Design Professional in accordance with Section 24.A. herein, provided that Contractor first, and as an explicit condition precedent to the accrual of Contractor's right to final payment, shall have furnished the County with a properly executed and notarized copy of the Release and Affidavit, as well as, a duly executed copy of the Surety's consent to final payment and such other documentation that may be required by the Contract Documents and the County.

B. Contractor's acceptance of final payment shall constitute a full waiver of any and all claims by Contractor against the County arising out of this Agreement or otherwise relating to the Project, except those previously made in writing and identified by Contractor as unsettled at the time of the final Application for Payment. Neither the acceptance of the Work nor payment by the County shall be deemed to be a waiver of the County's right to enforce any obligations of Contractor hereunder or to the recovery of damages for defective Work not discovered by the Design Professional or the County at the time of final inspection.

#### Section 12. Submittals and Substitutions

A. Contractor shall carefully examine the Contract Documents for all requirements for approval of materials to be submitted such as a schedule of values, safety manual, shop drawings, data, test results, schedules and samples. Contractor shall submit all such materials at its own expense and in such form as required by the Contract Documents in sufficient time to prevent any delay in the delivery of such materials and the installation thereof.

B. Whenever materials or equipment are specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular supplier, the naming of the item is intended to establish the type, function and quality required. Unless the name is followed by words indicating that no substitution is permitted, materials or equipment of other suppliers may be accepted by the County if sufficient information is submitted by Contractor to allow the County to determine that the material or equipment proposed is equivalent or better than to

that named. Requests for review of substitute items of material and equipment will not be accepted by the County from anyone other than Contractor and all such requests must be submitted by Contractor to Design Professional within thirty (30) calendar days after Notice of Award is received by Contractor.

C. If Contractor wishes to furnish or use a substitute item of material or equipment, Contractor shall make application to the Design Professional for acceptance thereof, certifying that the proposed substitute shall perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design, be similar and of equal substance to that specified and be suited to the same use as that specified. The application shall state that the evaluation and acceptance of the proposed substitute will not prejudice Contractor's achievement of substantial completion on time, whether or not acceptance of the substitute for use in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with the County for the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute and whether or not incorporation or use of the substitute in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty. All variations of the proposed substitute from that specified will be identified in the application and available maintenance, repair and replacement service shall be indicated. The application also shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs that will result, directly or indirectly, from acceptance of such substitute, including costs for redesign and claims of other contractors affected by the resulting change, all of which shall be considered by the Design Professional in evaluating the proposed substitute. The Design Professional may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense additional data about the proposed substitute.

D. If a specific means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction is indicated in or required by the Contract Documents, Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, sequence, technique or procedure of construction acceptable to the Design Professional, if Contractor submits sufficient information to allow the Design Professional to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that indicated or required by the Contract Documents. The procedures for submission to and review by the Design Professional shall be the same as those provided herein for substitute materials and equipment.

E. The Design Professional shall be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposed substitute. The Design Professional shall be the sole judge of acceptability, and no substitute will be ordered, installed or utilized without the Design Professional's and the County's prior written acceptance which shall be evidenced by either a Change Order or an approved Shop Drawing. The County may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute. The Design Professional will record time required by the Design Professional and the Design Professional's consultants in evaluating substitutions proposed by Contractor and making changes in the Contract Documents occasioned thereby. Whether or not the County accepts a proposed substitute, Contractor shall reimburse the County for the charges of the Design Professional and the Design Professional's consultants for evaluating each proposed substitute.

### Section 13. Daily Reports, As-Builts and Meetings

A. Unless waived in writing by the County, Contractor shall complete and submit to Design Professional on a weekly basis a daily log of the Contractor's work for the preceding week in a format approved by the Design Professional and the County. The daily log shall document all activities of Contractor at the Project site including, but not limited to, the following:

- A.1. Weather conditions showing the high and low temperatures during work hours, the amount of precipitation received on the Project site, and any other weather conditions which adversely affect the Work;
- A.2. Soil conditions which adversely affect the Work;
- A.3. The hours of operation by Contractor's and subcontractor's personnel;
- A.4. The number of Contractor's and subcontractor's personnel present and working at the Project site, by subcontract and trade;
- A.5. All equipment present at the Project site, description of equipment use and designation of time equipment was used (specifically indicating any down time);
- A.6. Description of Work being performed at the Project site;
- A.7. Any unusual or special occurrences at the Project site;
- A.8. Materials received at the Project site;
- A.9. A list of all visitors to the Project site; and
- A.10. Any problems that might impact either the cost or quality of the Work or the time of performance.

The daily log shall not constitute nor take the place of any notice required to be given by Contractor to the County or Design Professional pursuant to the Contract Documents.

B. Contractor shall maintain in a safe place at the Project site one record copy of the Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, all drawings, specifications, addenda, amendments, Change Orders, Work Directive Changes and Field Orders, as well as all written interpretations and clarifications issued by the Design Professional, in good order and annotated to show all changes made during construction. The annotated drawings shall be continuously updated by the Contractor throughout the prosecution of the Work to accurately reflect all field changes that are made to adapt the Work to field conditions, changes resulting from Change Orders, Work Directive Changes and Field Orders, and all concealed and buried installations of piping, conduit and utility services. All buried and concealed items, both inside and outside the Project site, shall be accurately located on the annotated drawings as to depth and in relationship to not less than two (2)

permanent features (e.g. interior or exterior wall faces). The annotated drawings shall be clean and all changes, corrections and dimensions shall be given in a neat and legible manner in a contrasting color. The "As-Built" record documents, together with all approved samples and a counterpart of all approved shop drawings shall be available to Design Professional for reference. Current and accurate "As-Built" record documents shall be submitted with each Application for Payment. Failure to provide current and accurate "As-Built" record drawings shall be reason for rejecting the Application for Payment. Upon completion of the Work and as a condition precedent to Contractor's entitlement to final payment, these "As-Built" record documents, samples and shop drawings shall be delivered to Design Professional by Contractor for the County.

C. Contractor shall keep all records and supporting documentation which concern or relate to the Work hereunder for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of termination of this Agreement or the date the Project is completed, whichever is later. The County, or any duly authorized agents or representatives of the County, shall have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as they deem necessary during the period of this Agreement and during the five (5) year period noted above; provided, however, such activity shall be conducted only during normal business hours.

#### Section 14. Contract Time and Extensions

A. Contractor shall diligently pursue the completion of the Work and coordinate the Work being done on the Project by its subcontractors and materialmen, as well as coordinating its Work with all work of others at the Project Site, so that its Work or the work of others shall not be delayed or impaired by any act or omission by Contractor. Contractor shall be solely responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures, as well as coordination of all portions of the Work under the Contract Documents, and the coordination of the County's suppliers and contractors as set forth in Paragraph 16.B. herein.

B. Should Contractor be obstructed or delayed in the prosecution of or completion of the Work as a result of unforeseeable causes beyond the control of Contractor, and not due to its fault or neglect, including but not restricted to acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of government, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine regulation, strikes or lockouts, Contractor shall notify the County in writing within forty-eight (48) hours after the commencement of such delay, stating the cause or causes thereof, or be deemed to have waived any right which Contractor may have had to request a time extension.

C. No interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension or delay in the commencement or progress of the Work from any cause whatever, including those for which the County may be responsible, in whole or in part, shall relieve Contractor of his duty to perform or give rise to any right to damages or additional compensation from the County. Contractor expressly acknowledges and agrees that it shall receive no damages for delay. Contractor's sole remedy, if any, against the County will be the right to seek an extension to the Contract Time; provided, however, the granting of any such time extension shall not be a condition precedent to the aforementioned "No Damage For Delay" provision. This paragraph shall expressly apply to claims for early completion, as well as to claims based on late completion.

## Section 15. Changes in the Work

A. The County shall have the right at any time during the progress of the Work to increase or decrease the Work. Promptly after being notified of a change, Contractor shall submit an itemized estimate of any cost or time increases or savings it foresees as a result of the change. Except in an emergency endangering life or property, or as expressly set forth herein, no addition or changes to the Work shall be made except upon written order of the County, and the County shall not be liable to the Contractor for any increased compensation without such written order. No officer, employee or agent of the County is authorized to direct any extra or changed work orally.

B. A Change Order, in the form attached to this Agreement, shall be issued and executed promptly after an agreement is reached between Contractor and the County concerning the requested changes. Contractor shall promptly perform changes authorized by duly executed Change Orders. The Contract Amount and Contract Time shall be adjusted in the Change Order in the manner as the County and Contractor shall mutually agree.

C. If the County and Contractor are unable to agree on a Change Order for the requested change, Contractor shall, nevertheless, promptly perform the change as directed by the County in a written Work Directive Change. In that event, the Contract Amount and Contract Time shall be adjusted as directed by the County. If Contractor disagrees with the County's adjustment determination, Contractor must make a claim pursuant to Section 15 of this Agreement or else be deemed to have waived any claim on this matter it might otherwise have had.

D. In the event a requested change results in an increase to the Contract Amount, the amount of the increase shall be limited to the Contractor's reasonable direct labor and material costs and reasonable actual equipment costs as a result of the change (including allowance for labor burden costs) plus a maximum ten percent (10%) markup for all overhead and profit. In the event such change Work is performed by a Subcontractor, a maximum ten percent (10%) markup for all overhead and profit for all Subcontractors' and sub-subcontractors' direct labor and material costs and actual equipment costs shall be permitted, with a maximum five percent (5%) markup thereon by the Contractor for all of its overhead and profit, for a total maximum markup of fifteen percent (15%). All compensation due Contractor and any Subcontractor or sub-subcontractor for field and home office overhead is included in the markups noted above.

E. The County shall have the right to conduct an audit of Contractor's books and records to verify the accuracy of the Contractor's claim with respect to Contractor's costs associated with any Change Order.

F. The Design Professional shall have authority to order minor changes in the Work not involving an adjustment to the Contract Amount or an extension to the Contract Time and not inconsistent with the intent of the Contract Documents. Such changes may be effected by Field Order or by other written order. Such changes shall be binding on the Contractor.

## Section 16. Claims and Disputes

A. A Claim is a demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking an adjustment or interpretation of the terms of the Contract Documents, payment of money, extension of time or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract Documents. The term "Claim" also includes other disputes and matters in question between the County and Contractor arising out of or relating to the Contract Documents. The responsibility to substantiate a Claim shall rest with the party making the Claim.

B. Claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing to the County and Design Professional within forty-eight (48) hours after the first day of the event giving rise to such Claim or else the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived the Claim. Written supporting data shall be submitted to the County and Design Professional within fifteen (15) calendar days after the occurrence of the event, unless the County grants additional time in writing, or else the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived the Claim. All claims shall be priced in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 14.D.

C. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with its performance as directed by the County, regardless of any pending Claim, action, suit or administrative proceeding, unless otherwise agreed to by the County in writing. The County shall continue to make payments in accordance with the Contract Documents during the pendency of any Claim.

## Section 17. Other Work

A. The County may perform other work related to the Project at the site by the County's own forces, have other work performed by utility owners or let other direct contracts. If the fact that such other work is to be performed is not noted in the Contract Documents, written notice thereof will be given to Contractor prior to starting any such other work. If Contractor believes that such performance will involve additional expense to Contractor or require additional time, Contractor shall send written notice of that fact to the County and Design Professional within forty-eight (48) hours of being notified of the other work. If the Contractor fails to send the above required forty-eight (48) hour notice, the Contractor will be deemed to have waived any rights it otherwise may have had to seek an extension to the Contract Time or adjustment to the Contract Amount.

B. Contractor shall afford each utility owner and other contractor who is a party to such a direct contract (or the County, if the County is performing the additional work with the County's employees) proper and safe access to the site and a reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of such work and shall properly connect and coordinate its Work with theirs. Contractor shall do all cutting, fitting and patching of the Work that may be required to make its several parts come together properly and integrate with such other work. Contractor shall not endanger any work of others by cutting, excavating or otherwise altering their work and will only cut or alter their work with the written consent of the Design Professional and the others whose work will be affected. The duties and responsibilities of Contractor under this paragraph are for the benefit of such utility owners and other Contractors to the extent that there are

comparable provisions for the benefit of Contractor in said direct contracts between the County and such utility owners and other contractors.

C. If any part of Contractor's Work depends for proper execution or results upon the work of any other contractor or utility owner (or the COUNTY), Contractor shall inspect and promptly report to Design Professional in writing any delays, defects or deficiencies in such work that render it unavailable or unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Contractor's failure to report will constitute an acceptance of the other work as fit and proper for integration with Contractor's Work.

#### Section 18. Indemnification and Insurance

A. Contractor agrees to save harmless, indemnify, and defend or, at the option of the County, pay the cost of defense, the County and its representative from any and all claims, losses, penalties, demands, judgments, and costs of suit, including attorneys' fees and paralegals' fees, for any expense, damage or liability incurred by any of them, whether for personal injury, property damage, direct or consequential damages, or economic loss, arising directly or indirectly on account of or in connection with the Work done by Contractor under this Agreement or by any person, firm or corporation to whom any portion of the Work is subcontracted by Contractor or resulting from the use by Contractor, or by any one for whom Contractor is legally liable, of any materials, tools, machinery or other property of the County. This provision is intended to apply even if the injury or damage is caused in whole or in part by any act, omission or default of the County or Design Professional or their consultants, agents, officers and employees. The County and Contractor agree the first \$100.00 of the Contract Amount paid by the County to Contractor shall be given as separate consideration for this indemnification, and any other indemnification of the County by Contractor provided for within the Contract Documents, the sufficiency of such separate consideration being acknowledged by Contractor by Contractor's execution of the Agreement.

The Contractor's obligation under this provision shall not be limited in any way by the agreed upon contract price as shown in this contract or the Contractor's limit of, or lack of, sufficient insurance protection.

B. Contractor shall obtain and carry, at all times during its performance under the Contract Documents, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth in the Insurance Requirements attached to this Agreement. All insurance policies shall be from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida and/or responsible risk retention group insurance companies which are registered with the State of Florida. Within fifteen (15) calendar days after Notice of Award is received by Contractor, Contractor shall provide the County with properly executed Certificates of Insurance to evidence Contractor's compliance with the insurance requirements of the Contract Documents. Said Certificates of Insurance shall be on forms approved by the County. The Certificates of Insurance shall be personally, manually signed by the authorized representatives of the insurance company/companies shown on the Certificates of Insurance, with proof that they are authorized representatives thereof. In addition, certified, true and exact copies of all insurance policies required hereunder shall be provided to the County, on a timely basis, when requested by the County.

C. The Certificates of Insurance and required insurance policies shall contain provisions that thirty (30) days prior written notice by registered or certified mail shall be given the County of any cancellation, intent not to renew, or reduction in the policies or coverages, except in the application of the aggregate limits provisions. In the event of a reduction in the aggregate limit of any policy, Contractor shall immediately take steps to have the aggregate limit reinstated to the full extent permitted under such policy.

D. All insurance coverages of the Contractor shall be primary to any insurance or self insurance program carried by the County applicable to this Project. The acceptance by the County of any Certificate of Insurance does not constitute approval or agreement by the County that the insurance requirements have been satisfied or that the insurance policy shown on the Certificate of Insurance is in compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. No work shall commence at the Project site unless and until the required Certificates of Insurance are received by the County.

E. Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to procure and maintain, until the completion of the subcontractor's work, insurance of the types and to the limits specified in the Insurance Requirements attached to this Agreement, unless such insurance requirements for the subcontractor is expressly waived in writing by the County. All liability insurance policies, other than professional liability, worker's compensation, employer's liability and business auto liability policies, obtained by Contractor to meet the requirements of the Contract Documents shall name the County and Design Professional as additional insureds and shall contain severability of interest provisions. If any insurance provided pursuant to the Contract Documents expires prior to the completion of the Work, renewal Certificates of Insurance and, if requested by the County, certified, true copies of the renewal policies, shall be furnished by Contractor within thirty (30) days prior to the date of expiration.

F. Should at any time the Contractor not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the County may terminate the Agreement or at its sole discretion shall be authorized to purchase such coverages and charge the Contractor for such coverages purchased. The County shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance, nor shall it be responsible for the coverages purchased or the insurance company or companies used. The decision of the County to purchase such insurance coverages shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of any of its rights under the Contract Documents.

G. Contractor shall submit to Design Professional a copy of all accident reports arising out of any injuries to its employees or those of any firm or individual to whom it may have subcontracted a portion of the Work, or any personal injuries or property damages arising or alleged to have arisen on account of any work by Contractor under the Contract Documents.

#### Section 19. Compliance with Laws

A. Contractor agrees to comply, at its own expense, with all federal, state and local laws, codes, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and requirements applicable to the Project, including but not limited to those dealing with taxation, worker's compensation, equal employment and safety.

If Contractor observes that the Contract Documents are at variance therewith, it shall promptly notify the County and Design Professional in writing.

#### Section 20. Cleanup and Protections

A. Contractor agrees to keep the Project site clean at all times of debris, rubbish and waste materials arising out of the Work. At the completion of the Work, Contractor shall remove all debris, rubbish and waste materials from and about the Project site, as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery and surplus materials, and shall leave the Project site clean and ready for occupancy by the County.

B. Any existing surface or subsurface improvements, including, but not limited to, pavements, curbs, sidewalks, pipes, utilities, footings, structures, trees and shrubbery, not indicated in the Contract Documents to be removed or altered, shall be protected by Contractor from damage during the prosecution of the Work. Any such improvements so damaged shall be restored by Contractor to the condition equal to that existing at the time of Contractor's commencement of the Work.

#### Section 21. Assignment

A. Contractor shall not assign this Agreement or any part thereof, without the prior consent in writing of the County. If Contractor does, with approval, assign this Agreement or any part thereof, it shall require that its assignee be bound to it and to assume toward Contractor all of the obligations and responsibilities that Contractor has assumed toward the County.

#### Section 22. Permits, Licenses and Taxes

A. Pursuant to Section 218.80, F.S., the County will pay for all County permits and fees, including license fees, permit fees, impact fees or inspection fees applicable to the work. Contractor is not responsible for paying for permits issued by the County wherein the work is to be performed, but is responsible for acquiring all permits. The County may require the Contractor to deliver internal budget transfer documents to applicable County agencies when the Contractor is acquiring permits.

B. All permits, fees and licenses necessary for the prosecution of the Work which are not issued by the County shall be acquired and paid for by the Contractor.

#### Section 23. Termination for Default

A. Contractor shall be considered in material default of the Agreement and such default shall be considered cause for the County to terminate the Agreement, in whole or in part, as further set forth in this Section, if Contractor: (1) fails to begin the Work under the Contract Documents within the time specified herein; or (2) fails to properly and timely perform the Work as directed by the County or the Design Professional or as provided for in the approved Progress Schedule; or (3)

performs the Work unsuitably or neglects or refuses to remove materials or to correct or replace such Work as may be rejected as unacceptable or unsuitable; or (4) discontinues the prosecution of the Work; or (5) fails to resume Work which has been suspended within a reasonable time after being notified to do so; or (6) becomes insolvent or is declared bankrupt, or commits any act of bankruptcy; or (7) allows any final judgment to stand against it unsatisfied for more than ten (10) days; or (8) makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or (9) fails to obey any applicable codes, laws, ordinances, rules or regulations with respect to the Work; or (10) materially breaches any other provision of the Contract Documents.

B. The County shall notify Contractor in writing of Contractor's default(s). If the County determines that Contractor has not remedied and cured the default(s) within seven (7) calendar days following receipt by Contractor of said written notice, then the County, at its option, without releasing or waiving its rights and remedies against the Contractor's sureties and without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may be entitled to hereunder or by law, may terminate Contractor's right to proceed under the Agreement, in whole or in part, and take possession of all or any portion of the Work and any materials, tools, equipment, and appliances of Contractor, take assignments of any of Contractor's subcontracts and purchase orders, and complete all or any portion of Contractor's Work by whatever means, method or agency which the County, in its sole discretion, may choose.

C. If the County deems any of the foregoing remedies necessary, Contractor agrees that it shall not be entitled to receive any further payments hereunder until after the Project is completed. All monies expended and all of the costs, losses, damages and extra expenses, including all management, administrative and other overhead and other direct and indirect expenses (including Design Professional and attorneys' fees) or damages incurred by the County incident to such completion, shall be deducted from the Contract Amount, and if such expenditures exceed the unpaid balance of the Contract Amount, Contractor agrees to pay promptly to the County on demand the full amount of such excess, including costs of collection, attorney's fees (including appeals) and interest thereon at the maximum legal rate of interest until paid. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Amount exceeds all such costs, expenditures and damages incurred by the County to complete the Work, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. The amount to be paid to the Contractor or the County, as the case may be, shall be approved by the Design Professional, upon application, and this obligation for payment shall survive termination of the Agreement.

D. The liability of Contractor hereunder shall extend to and include the full amount of any and all sums paid, expenses and losses incurred, damages sustained, and obligations assumed by the County in good faith under the belief that such payments or assumptions were necessary or required, in completing the Work and providing labor, materials, equipment, supplies, and other items therefore or re-letting the Work, and in settlement, discharge or compromise of any claims, demands, suits, and judgments pertaining to or arising out of the Work hereunder.

E. If, after notice of termination of Contractor's right to proceed pursuant to this Section, it is determined for any reason that Contractor was not in default, or that its default was excusable, or that the County is not entitled to the remedies against Contractor provided herein, then Contractor's remedies against the County shall be the same as and limited to those afforded Contractor under Section 23 below.

#### Section 24. Termination for Convenience and Right of Suspension

A. The County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without cause upon seven (7) calendar days' written notice to Contractor. In the event of such termination for convenience, Contractor's recovery against the County shall be limited to that portion of the Contract Amount earned through the date of termination, together with any retainage withheld and reasonable termination expenses incurred, but Contractor shall not be entitled to any other or further recovery against the County, including, but not limited to, damages or any anticipated profit on portions of the Work not performed.

B. The County shall have the right to suspend all or any portions of the Work upon giving Contractor not less than two (2) calendar days' prior written notice of such suspension. If all or any portion of the Work is so suspended, Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy shall be to seek an extension of time to its schedule in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Contract Documents. In no event shall the Contractor be entitled to any additional compensation or damages. Provided, however, if the ordered suspension exceeds six (6) months, the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the Agreement with respect to that portion of the Work which is subject to the ordered suspension.

#### Section 25. Completion

A. When the entire Work (or any portion thereof designated in writing by the County) is ready for its intended use, Contractor shall notify the County and Design Professional in writing that the entire Work (or such designated portion) is substantially complete and request that Design Professional issue a Certificate of Substantial Completion (or Certificate of Partial Substantial Completion). Within a reasonable time thereafter, the County, Contractor and Design Professional shall make an inspection of the Work (or designated portion thereof) to determine the status of completion. If the County and Design Professional do not consider the Work (or designated portion) substantially complete, Design Professional shall notify Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor. If the County and Design Professional consider the Work (or designated portion) substantially complete, Design Professional shall prepare and deliver to Contractor a Certificate of Substantial Completion (or Certificate of Partial Substantial Completion) which shall fix the date of Substantial Completion for the entire Work (or designated portion thereof) and include a tentative punchlist of items to be completed or corrected by Contractor before final payment. The County shall have the right to exclude Contractor from the Work and Project site (or designated portion thereof) after the date of Substantial Completion, but the County shall allow Contractor reasonable access to complete or correct items on the tentative punchlist.

B. Upon receipt of written certification by Contractor that the Work is completed in accordance with the Contract Documents and is ready for final inspection and acceptance and upon receipt of a final Application for Payment, Design Professional will make such inspection and, if he finds the Work acceptable and fully performed under the Contract Documents, he shall promptly issue a final Certificate for Payment, recommending that, on the basis of his observations and inspections, and the Contractor's certification that the Work has been completed in accordance with

the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, that the entire balance found to be due Contractor is due and payable. Neither the final payment nor the retainage shall become due and payable until Contractor submits: (1) the Release and Affidavit in the form attached, (2) consent of surety to final payment, and (3) if required by the County, other data establishing payment or satisfaction of all obligations, such as receipts, releases and waivers of liens, arising out of the Contract Documents, to the extent and in such form as may be designated by the County. The County reserves the right to inspect the Work and make an independent determination as to the Work's acceptability, even though the Design Professional may have issued his recommendations. Unless and until the County is completely satisfied, neither the final payment nor the retainage shall become due and payable.

#### Section 26. Warranty

A. Contractor shall obtain and assign to the County all express warranties given to Contractor or any subcontractors by any materialmen supplying materials, equipment or fixtures to be incorporated into the Project. Contractor warrants to the County that any materials and equipment furnished under the Contract Documents shall be new unless otherwise specified, and that all Work shall be of good quality, free from all defects and in conformance with the Contract Documents. Contractor further warrants to the County that all materials and equipment furnished under the Contract Documents shall be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned and conditioned in accordance with the instructions of the applicable manufacturers, fabricators, suppliers or processors except as otherwise provided for in the Contract Documents. If, within one (1) year after final completion, any Work is found to be defective or not in conformance with the Contract Documents, Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of written notice from the County. Contractor shall also be responsible for and pay for replacement or repair of adjacent materials or Work which may be damaged as a result of such replacement or repair. These warranties are in addition to those implied warranties to which the County is entitled as a matter of law.

#### Section 27. Tests and Inspections.

A. The County, Design Professional, their respective representatives, agents and employees, and governmental agencies with jurisdiction over the Project shall have access at all times to the Work, whether the Work is being performed on or off of the Project site, for their observation, inspection and testing. Contractor shall provide proper, safe conditions for such access. Contractor shall provide Design Professional with timely notice of readiness of the Work for all required inspections, tests or approvals.

B. If the Contract Documents or any codes, laws, ordinances, rules or regulations of any public authority having jurisdiction over the Project requires any portion of the Work to be specifically inspected, tested or approved, Contractor shall assume full responsibility therefore, pay all costs in connection therewith and furnish Design Professional the required certificates of inspection, testing or approval. All inspections, tests or approvals shall be performed in a manner and by organizations acceptable to the Design Professional and the County.

C. If any Work that is to be inspected, tested or approved is covered without written concurrence from the Design Professional, such work must, if requested by Design Professional, be uncovered for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor has given Design Professional timely notice of Contractor's intention to cover the same and Design Professional has not acted with reasonable promptness to respond to such notice. If any Work is covered contrary to written directions from Design Professional, such Work must, if requested by Design Professional, be uncovered for Design Professional's observation and be replaced at Contractor's sole expense.

D. The County shall charge to Contractor and may deduct from any payments due Contractor all engineering and inspection expenses incurred by the County in connection with any overtime work. Such overtime work consisting of any work during the construction period beyond the regular eight (8) hour day and for any work performed on Saturday, Sunday or holidays.

E. Neither observations nor other actions by the Design Professional nor inspections, tests or approvals by others shall relieve Contractor from Contractor's obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

#### Section 28. Defective Work

A. Work not conforming to the requirements of the Contract Documents shall be deemed defective Work. If required by the County or Design Professional, Contractor shall, as directed, either correct all defective Work, whether or not fabricated, installed or completed, or if the defective Work has been rejected by the County or Design Professional, remove it from the site and replace it with conforming Work. Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect and consequential costs of such correction or removal (including, but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals) made necessary thereby, and shall hold the County harmless for same.

B. If the County or Design Professional consider it necessary or advisable that covered Work be observed by Design Professional or inspected or tested by others, Contractor, at the County's or Design Professional's request, shall uncover, expose or otherwise make available for observation, inspection or tests as the County or Design Professional may require, that portion of the Work in question, furnishing all necessary labor, material and equipment. If it is found that such Work is defective, Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect and consequential costs of such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection and testing and of satisfactory reconstruction (including, but not limited to, fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals), and the County shall be entitled to an appropriate decrease in the Contract Amount. If, however, such Work is not found to be defective, Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Amount and/or an extension to the Contract Time, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing and reconstruction.

C. If any portion of the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers with suitable materials or equipment, or fails to finish or perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, the County or Design

Professional may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such stop in the work has been eliminated; however, this right of the County and Design Professional to stop the Work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of the County or Design Professional to exercise this right for the benefit of Contractor or any other party.

D. Should the County determine, in its sole opinion, that it is in the County's best interest to accept defective Work, the County may do so. Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect and consequential costs attributable to the County's evaluation of and determination to accept defective Work. If such determination is rendered prior to final payment, a Change Order shall be executed evidencing such acceptance of such defective Work, incorporating the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents and reflecting an appropriate decrease in the Contract Amount. If the County accepts such defective Work after final payment, Contractor shall promptly pay the County an appropriate amount to adequately compensate the County for its acceptance of the defective Work.

E. If Contractor fails, within a reasonable time after the written notice from the County or Design Professional, to correct defective Work or to remove and replace rejected defective Work as required by Design Professional or the County, or if Contractor fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if Contractor fails to comply with any of the provisions of the Contract Documents, the County may, after seven (7) days written notice to Contractor, correct and remedy any such deficiency. To the extent necessary to complete corrective and remedial action, the County may exclude Contractor from any or all of the Project site, take possession of all or any part of the Work, and suspend Contractor's services related thereto, take possession of Contractor's tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery at the Project site and incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Project site or for which the County has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. Contractor shall allow the County, Design Professional and their respective representatives, agents, and employees such access to the Project site as may be necessary to enable the County to exercise the rights and remedies under this paragraph. All direct, indirect and consequential costs of the County in exercising such rights and remedies shall be charged against Contractor, and a Change Order shall be issued, incorporating the necessary revisions to the Contract Documents, including an appropriate decrease to the Contract Amount. Such direct, indirect and consequential costs shall include, but not be limited to, fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals, all court costs and all costs of repair and replacement of work of others destroyed or damaged by correction, removal or replacement of Contractor's defective Work. Contractor shall not be allowed an extension of the Contract Time because of any delay in performance of the Work attributable to the exercise by the County of the County's rights and remedies hereunder.

## Section 29. Supervision and Superintendents

A. Contractor shall plan, organize, supervise, schedule, monitor, direct and control 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 Documents. Contractor shall be responsible to see that the finished Work complies accurately with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall keep on the Work at all times during its progress a competent resident superintendent, who shall not be replaced without prior written notice to the County and Design

Professional except under extraordinary circumstances. The superintendent shall be Contractor's representative at the Project site and shall have authority to act on behalf of Contractor. All communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor. The County shall have the right to direct Contractor to remove and replace its Project superintendent, with or without cause.

### Section 30. Protection of Work

A. Contractor shall fully protect the Work from loss or damage and shall bear the cost of any such loss or damage until final payment has been made. If Contractor or any one for whom Contractor is legally liable is responsible for any loss or damage to the Work, or other work or materials of the County or the County's separate contractors, Contractor shall be charged with the same, and any monies necessary to replace such loss or damage shall be deducted from any amounts due Contractor.

B. Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent property to stresses or pressures that will endanger said Work or property.

C. Contractor shall not disturb any benchmark established by the Design Professional with respect to the Project. If Contractor, or its subcontractors, agents or anyone for whom Contractor is legally liable, disturbs the Design Professional's benchmarks, Contractor shall immediately notify the County and Design Professional. The Design Professional shall reestablish the benchmarks and Contractor shall be liable for all costs incurred by the County associated therewith.

### Section 31. Emergencies

A. In the event of an emergency affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Project site or adjacent thereto, Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the County or Design Professional is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Contractor shall give Design Professional written notice within forty-eight (48) hours after the occurrence of the emergency, if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused thereby. If the Design Professional determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken in response to an emergency, a Change Order shall be issued to document the consequences of the changes or variations. If Contractor fails to provide the forty-eight (48) hour written notice noted above, the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived any right it otherwise may have had to seek an adjustment to the Contract Amount or an extension to the Contract Time.

### Section 32. Use of Premises

A. Contractor shall confine all construction equipment, the storage of materials and equipment and the operations of workers to the Project site and land and areas identified in and

permitted by the Contract Documents and other lands and areas permitted by law, rights of way, permits and easements, and shall not unreasonably encumber the Project site with construction equipment or other material or equipment. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for any damage to any such land or area, or to the owner or occupant thereof, or any land or areas contiguous thereto, resulting from the performance of the Work.

### Section 33. Safety

A. Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:

A.1. All employees on the Work and other persons and/or organizations who may be affected thereby;

A.2. All the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the Project site; and

A.3. Other property on Project site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, utilities and any underground structures or improvements not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the Contract Documents.

B. Contractor shall comply with all applicable codes, laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of any public body having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property or to protect them from damage, injury or loss. Contractor shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall notify owners of adjacent property and of underground structures and improvements and utility owners when prosecution of the Work may affect them, and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation or replacement of their property. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for the safety and protection of the Work shall continue until such time as the Work is completed and final acceptance of same by the County has occurred.

C. Contractor shall designate a responsible representative at the Project site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. This person shall be Contractor's superintendent unless otherwise designated in writing by Contractor to the County.

### Section 34. Project Meetings

A. Prior to the commencement of Work, the Contractor shall attend a preconstruction conference with the Design Professional and others as appropriate to discuss the Progress Schedule, procedures for handling shop drawings and other submittals, and for processing Applications for Payment, and to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work. During the prosecution of the Work, the Contractor shall attend any and all meetings convened by the Design Professional or the County with respect to the Project, when directed to do so by the County or

Design Professional. Contractor shall have its subcontractors and suppliers attend all such meetings (including the preconstruction conference) as may be directed by the County or Design Professional.

Section 35. Exhibits Incorporated.

The following documents are expressly agreed to be incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement:

- A. Legal Advertisement
- B. Invitation to Bid
- C. Bid Proposal with required forms
- D. Performance Bond
- E. Public Payment Bond
- F. Insurance Requirements, including certificates of insurance
- G. Form of Release and Affidavit
- H. Change Order Form

Section 36. Notices.

A. All notices required or made pursuant to this Agreement by the Contractor to the County shall be in writing and delivered by hand or by United States Postal Service Department, first class mail, postage pre-paid, return receipt requested, addressed to the following:

Wakulla County Administrator  
3093 Crawfordville Highway  
Crawfordville, Florida 32327

With a copy to:  
Cleve Fleming, Director  
ESG, Inc.  
340 Trice Lane  
Crawfordville, Florida 32327

B. All notices required or made pursuant to this Agreement by the County to Contractor shall be made in writing and shall be delivered by hand or by United States Postal Service Department, first class mail, postage pre-paid, return receipt requested, or by Federal Express, addressed to the following:

Corporate Name of Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (including city, state and zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person with their title to whose

Attention the notice should be sent: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone and Fax numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Either party may change its above noted address by giving written notice to the other party in accordance with the requirements of this Section.

Section 37. Modification.

No modification or change to the Agreement shall be valid or binding upon the parties unless in writing and executed by the party or parties intended to be bound by it.

Section 38. Successors and Assigns.

Subject to other provisions hereof, the Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the parties to the Agreement.

Section 39. Governing Law.

The Agreement shall be interpreted under and its performance governed by the laws of the State of Florida.

Section 40. No Waiver.

The failure of the County to enforce at any time or for any period of time any one or more of the provisions of the Agreement shall not be construed to be and shall not be a waiver of any such provision or provisions or of its right thereafter to enforce each and every such provision.

Section 41. Entire Agreement.

Each of the parties hereto agrees and represents that the Agreement comprises the full and entire agreement between the parties affecting the Work contemplated, and no other agreement or understanding of any nature concerning the same has been entered into or will be recognized, and that all negotiations, acts, work performed, or payments made prior to the execution hereof shall be deemed merged in, integrated and superseded by the Agreement.

Section 42. Severability.

Should any provision of the Agreement be determined by a court to be unenforceable, such a determination shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section or part thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the date(s) indicated below.

CONTRACTOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Company Name)

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Printed)  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_ (Title)  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness:

Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
President/Corporate Secretary/Witness  
[Corporate Seal] Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
2nd Witness (if not incorporated)

OWNER: Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida

(SEAL) By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Approved as to Form and Content:

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County Attorney

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**EXHIBIT A**

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**EXHIBIT B**  
**INVITATION TO BID**

**EXHIBIT C**

**BID PROPOSAL WITH REQUIRED FORMS**

**EXHIBIT D**  
**PERFORMANCE BOND**

**EXHIBIT E**  
**PUBLIC PAYMENT BOND**

## **EXHIBIT F**

### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE**

#### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

(1) The Contractor shall obtain and maintain such insurance as will protect it from: (1) claims under worker's compensation laws, disability benefit laws, or other similar employee benefit laws; (2) claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease or death of his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; (3) claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; and (4) from claims for injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting there from -- any or all of which claims may arise out of, or result from, the services, work and operations carried out pursuant to and under the requirements of the Contract Documents, whether such services, work and operations be by the Contractor, its employees, or by subcontractor(s), or anyone employed by or under the supervision of any of them, or for whose acts any of them may be legally liable.

(2) This insurance shall be obtained and written for not less than the limits of liability specified hereinafter, or as required by law, whichever is greater.

(3) The Contractor shall require, and shall be responsible for assuring throughout the time the Agreement is in effect, that any and all of its subcontractors obtain and maintain until the completion of that subcontractor's work, such of the insurance coverages described herein as are required by law to be provided on behalf of their employees and others.

(4) The Contractor shall obtain, have and maintain during the entire period of the Agreement insurance policies, which contain the following information and provisions:

- (A) The name and type of policy and coverages provided;
- (B) The amount or limit applicable to each coverage provided;
- (C) The date of expiration of coverage;
- (D) The designation of the COUNTY as an additional insured and a certificate holder. (This requirement may be excepted for Worker's Compensation and professional liability Insurance.);
- (E) The following clause must appear on the Certificate of Insurance:

Should any material change occur in any of the above described policies or should any of said policies be canceled before the expiration date thereof, the issuing company will mail at least thirty (30) days written notice to the COUNTY.

(5) If the initial, or any subsequently issued Certificate of Insurance expires prior to the completion of the Work or termination of the Agreement, the Contractor shall furnish to the COUNTY, in triplicate, renewal or replacement Certificate(s) of Insurance not later than thirty (30)

calendar days prior to the date of their expiration. Failure of the Contractor to provide the COUNTY with such renewal certificate(s) shall be considered justification for the COUNTY to terminate the Agreement.

(6) Contractor shall include the COUNTY, the COUNTY's agents, officers and employees in the Contractor's General Liability and Automobile Liability policies as additional insureds.

(7) If the COUNTY has any objection to the coverage afforded by other provisions of the insurance required to be purchased and maintained by Contractor in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents on the basis of its not complying with the Contract Documents, the COUNTY shall notify Contractor in writing thereof within thirty (30) days of the delivery of such certificates to the COUNTY. Contractor shall provide to the COUNTY such additional information with respect to its insurance as may be requested.

(8) The Contractor shall obtain and maintain the following insurance coverages as provided hereinbefore, and in the type, amounts and in conformance with the following minimum requirements:

#### WORKER'S COMPENSATION

State: Statutory  
Applicable Federal:  
(e.g. Longshoremen's) Statutory  
Employer's Liability: \$1,000,000.00

#### COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY

Bodily Injury: \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence  
Property Damage: \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence

Comprehensive General Liability Insurance shall include:

Contractual Liability, Explosion, Collapse and Underground Coverages and Products and Completed Operations Coverages.

#### COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

Bodily Injury: \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence  
Property Damage: \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence

Comprehensive Automobile Liability shall include coverage for any owned auto, non-owned autos and hired autos.

**EXHIBIT G**

**FORM OF RELEASE AND AFFIDAVIT**

**RELEASE AND AFFIDAVIT**

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF FLORIDA

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who after being duly sworn, deposes and says:

(1) In accordance with the Contract Documents and in consideration of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ paid, \_\_\_\_\_ ("Contractor") releases and waives for itself and its subcontractors, materialmen, successors and assigns, all claims demands, damages, costs and expenses, whether in contract or in tort, against Wakulla County, Florida (the "COUNTY"), its Board of County Commissioners, employees and agents relating in any way to the performance of the Agreement between Contractor and the COUNTY, dated \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, for the period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Contractor certifies for itself and its subcontractors, materialmen, successors and assigns, that all charges for labor, materials, supplies, lands, licenses and other expenses for which the COUNTY might be sued or for which a lien or a demand against any payment bond might be filed, have been fully satisfied and paid.

(3) Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless the COUNTY, its Board of County Commissioners, employees and agents from all demands or suits, actions, claims of liens or other charges filed or asserted against the COUNTY arising out of the performance by Contractor of the Work covered by this Release and Affidavit.

(4) This Release and Affidavit is given in connection with Contractor's [monthly/final] Application for Payment No. \_\_\_\_\_.

CONTRACTOR:

\_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (signature of the executive officer)

Its: \_\_\_\_\_ (title of the executive officer)

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

Witnesses

\_\_\_\_\_

[Corporate Seal]

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_, as \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He/she is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and did (did not) take an oath.

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Notary)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Legibly Printed)

(AFFIX OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public, State of \_\_\_\_\_

Commission No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT H**

**CHANGE ORDER FORM**

CHANGE ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_ WAKULLA COUNTY PROJECT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Wakulla County Project No. \_\_\_\_\_

Under our AGREEMENT dated \_\_\_\_\_.

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You hereby are authorized and directed to make the following change(s) in accordance with terms and conditions of the Agreement:

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

FOR THE ADDITIVE or DEDUCTIVE Sum of:

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_).

Original Agreement Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sum of Previous Changes \$ \_\_\_\_\_

This Change Order ADD/DEDUCT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Present Agreement Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The time for completion shall be (increased/decreased) by \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days due to this Change Order. Accordingly, the Contract Time is now \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) calendar days and the final completion date is \_\_\_\_\_. Your acceptance of this Change Order shall constitute a modification to our Agreement and will be performed subject to all the same terms and conditions as contained in our Agreement indicated above, as fully as if the same were repeated in this acceptance. The adjustment, if any, to the Agreement shall constitute a full and final settlement of any and all claims arising out of or related to the change set forth herein, including claims for impact and delay costs.

Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

CONTRACTOR

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

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

DESIGN PROFESSIONAL: By: \_\_\_\_\_ Consulting Engineer