



**2025 Town of Yarmouth  
Water Utility  
Alum Sludge Dewatering**

**Issued for Tender**

## **Description of Work**

The Town of Yarmouth requires the services of a qualified contractor, that deploys and operates their own hydraulic vacuum dredging, along with a high solids, high volume dewatering system, to remove and dewater alum sludge from 2 holding lagoons. The project will require 24-hour/day continuous operation until completion. The contractor will need to provide experienced personnel trained in the proper operation of alum sludge removal and dewatering equipment. It is expected to take about 5 days at 24 hours per day continuous operation, for de-watering of approximately 5000m<sup>3</sup> (+- 15%) varying in 2-8 percent solids alum sludge. The surface area of each lagoon is approximately 1024 m<sup>2</sup>. The sludge will be dewatered to a minimum of 20% solids and must be suitably ready for complete removal from the work site as it is produced. The Town of Yarmouth will arrange for containment and removal of the dewatered sludge as it is produced.

## INFORMATION TO TENDERERS

### TENDER

(A) Indicate on documents

For:

Town of Yarmouth Water Utility – Alum Sludge Dewatering  
Town of Yarmouth Water Utility  
Lake George Water Treatment Plant  
1046 Lake George Road  
Brenton NS B5A5L9

Addressed to:

Town of Yarmouth  
400 Main Street  
Yarmouth NS B5A 1G2  
Attention : Mr. Rob Chetwynd

**Envelope shall be clearly marked: Tender: Town of Yarmouth Water Utility – Alum Sludge Dewatering**

(A) The tender closing date will be on **Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. local time.** Fax or email bids will not be accepted. Late tenders will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Immediately following the tender closing, tenders will be opened publicly by the tender opening committee in the Town of Yarmouth Council Chambers, 400 Main Street, Yarmouth, NS.

(B) Tenders must be received at the above address, on or before the exact closing time and date as indicated above. Late Tenders will be automatically rejected.

(C) The Form of Agreement is included in the Contract Documents at the time of tendering for the purpose of information to bidders and shall not be completed at the Time of Tendering.

(D) Before submission of a bid, tenderers shall carefully examine all the documents in this package and be fully aware of the site that the proposed work will be conducted on, and fully inform themselves of the existing conditions, limitations, restrictions, and requirements. If further clarification is required tenderers may contact Rob Chetwynd CET, via e-mail [chiefoperator@townofyarmouth.ca](mailto:chiefoperator@townofyarmouth.ca). up to 3 days before the closing date of the tender.

(E) Each tenderer will submit a cheque or bid bond of ten percent (10%) of the Total Amount Payable, as tender security, made out to the Town of Yarmouth to verify genuine intent of the bid submitted.

(F) The Town of Yarmouth will not be responsible for, and will not reimburse, any expenses incurred by the tenderers in the preparation and submission of their tenders.

(G) The Town of Yarmouth does not necessarily accept the lowest tender received and reserves the right to accept or to reject any or all tenders received, or to select a tender which is deemed to be in its best interests. The Town of Yarmouth reserves the right to negotiate with the lowest compliant tenderer in the event that all tendered prices are higher than anticipated. The Town also reserves the right to waive formality, informality or technicality in any tender.

(H) All tenders shall be valid for acceptance for 60 days after the closing date.

(I) Tenders which are in the opinion of the Town of Yarmouth considered to be informal, unbalanced or not in proper accordance of the Tender Documents, may be rejected.

(J) The successful Tenderer will be reimbursed the tender security after a period of not more than 45 days from project completion and approval.

(K) Unsuccessful bidders will be reimbursed the tender security within 7 days of the tender award.

(L) The successful tenderer agrees upon being awarded the Tender to enter into contract with the Town of Yarmouth as per all the conditions and requirements, unless otherwise indicated by the Town of Yarmouth in the supplementary general conditions, of the CCDC 2 2020 standard document.

## 1: GENERAL CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

1.1 The contractor is required to submit, a general plan of operations, a list of all equipment, chemicals, and the general specifications thereof, to the Town of Yarmouth, 1 week before arriving on site on the designated date of project start up. The plan will also have an attached list of the names of all personnel that will be on-site for the project, and confirmation that they have a minimum of 3 years experience using the centrifugation/polymer de-watering systems.

1.2 The area of operation designated for equipment set up will be approximately 31m x24m. The surface area of each lagoon is approximately 1024 m<sup>2</sup>. The contractor must be able to effectively maneuver the hydraulic dredge to be able to cover this area in its entirety to remove all of the contents.

1.3 Before arriving on site on the agreed upon date, the contractor will provide a letter of certification to the Town of Yarmouth that all their equipment has been completely cleaned and disinfected, using NSF disinfectant solutions only.

1.4 The contractor will be required to submit a work hazard assessment before commencing operations.

1.5 The contractor will be required to submit an environmental safety plan to be in keeping with the requirements of work conducted in an area designated as a protected water supply in the province of Nova Scotia.

1.6 The contractor is responsible to set up and take down all equipment for the entire project and arrange for outside contracting to position equipment as required, on the agreed upon date.

1.7 The Contractor must supply an electrical generator, and the required fuel, of adequate enough size to deliver power for all equipment and operational activities for the duration of the project, as well as qualified personnel to set up, make electrical connections, and operate. "Noise - The contractor supplied generator will have installed effective sound silencers and /or deadeners for the exhaust or for the exhaust and motor (total enclosure for noise reduction). This is to reduce the noise from generator operation as much as possible or by a minimum of 30-40 decibels during the period of operation. The hydraulic vacuum dredge motor and related equipment are required to have appropriate exhaust and engine mufflers to ensure a noise reduction of as much as possible, or a minimum of 30-40 decibels during the entire period of operations."

1.8 The contractor will provide a letter of certification that will verify any lubrication or hydraulic oil used on site for any equipment for any reason is **food grade** designated only.

1.9 The contractor will have ready on-site spill kits designed for chemicals and/or petrochemicals, and of large enough size (including generator fuel storage) to contain and secure any spills from all equipment.

1.10 The contractor will provide operator staffing for continuous operation (minimum 2 operators per shift) when start up of alum sludge removal and de-watering operations begin.

1.11 The volume of the alum sludge will be approximately 5000m<sup>3</sup> (+- 15%). In general, the contractor will have up to 5 days (continuous uninterrupted operation), not including mobilization, de-mobilization,

and set up delays, for substantial removal and de-watering of all the alum sludge from the 2 lagoons. Substantial removal will be determined and approved after evaluation by the Town of Yarmouth. Removing the solids content of the lagoons includes the alum sludge on the sloping sides of the lagoon. This may require another form of transfer method to the de-watering system. The contractor will submit an action plan in the proposal for this work, (if not by modifying hydraulic vacuum system), and this will be included in the bid.

1.12 The contractor will be responsible for maintaining a clean operational area while on site, adhering strictly to environmentally appropriate best practices at all times.

1.13 The alum sludge will be taken out of the lagoons by hydraulic vacuum dredging and delivered to the de-watering system.

1.14 The Town of Yarmouth will provide a means of access to water , as required by the contractor, for the de-watering operations.

1.15 The de-watering system will be a high volume, high solids type, with suitably sized conveyance equipment for de-watered sludge.

1.16 The contractor will consult with the Town of Yarmouth and must have prior approval of any chemical used on site to achieve de-watering, and subsequent solids percentage targets. All chemicals used will be NSF certified and the contractor will provide letters of certification for each one on site whether used or not. The chemicals chosen will be of the highest quality available to enhance and optimize performance of the de-watering operations.

1.17 The contractor must consult with the Town of Yarmouth to ensure the positioning of the de-watered sludge conveyance equipment will allow for proper collection by transport truck.

1.18 The Contractor will optimize the use of any chemical coagulants as percent solids of the alum sludge changes throughout the delivery process from the dredging, to ensure a high solids de-watered sludge (minimum 20%) after the de-watering process, while maintaining a clear centrate back to the lagoon at all times.

1.19 The contractor will make arrangements and execute the transfer of the hydraulic dredge and rearrange equipment as required to complete operations in the second lagoon.

1.20 The contractor will ensure that any remaining amounts of chemical unused in the normal operations, of reaction tanks ,or batch tanks, even if partially full and activated, is secured and removed in an environmentally appropriate manner from the work site, as reported to the Town of Yarmouth during the entirety of the project, and then on the last day of de-watering operations.

1.21 The contractor will be required to ensure that the site is completely cleared and cleaned of operational activity after de-mobilization of all equipment as is deemed to be acceptable by The Town of Yarmouth.

**Tender Form of Agreement**

**Town of Yarmouth Water Utility – Alum Sludge Dewatering  
Lake George Water Treatment Plant**

To: Town of Yarmouth  
400 Main Street  
Yarmouth NS B5A1G2  
Attention: Rob Chetwynd, CET

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**A: TENDERER VERIFIES UPON SIGNING BELOW**

- 1) That the project scope of work, general conditions, and specifications in these tender documents were thoroughly considered and understood.
- 2) That they understand that the area of operations is within a provincially protected watershed and all operations undertaken will be in keeping with the regulatory controls in force.
- 3) Agreement that they will enter into a contract to supply all labour, material, chemicals, equipment and qualified personnel to conduct all work necessary as described in the project description of work, general conditions, and specifications, for the costs, subject to any supplementary general conditions and items indicated below, as submitted in section B of this form.
- 4) That it is understood that the contract price will be the sum of items 1,2,3 and 4, subject to adjustments as per item 11, 12 ,13 below.
- 5) That they have at least 3 years of successful experience in the execution of the operations described in the specifications, and with dewatering alum sludge specifically, and will provide, when asked, 3 references to verify they have the capability and resources of performing the work required.
- 6) They will provide the Town of Yarmouth at least 2 weeks notice of a designated date of operations, and that date will be no later than 2 weeks before the end of June 2025.
- 7) They will maintain strict compliance with all current situational restrictions and considerations as required by the federal and provincial authorities with regard any emergency situations such as a pandemic.

- 8) They understand that highly skilled and professional execution of operations is key to ensure strict adherence to the required time and quality targets.
- 9) It is understood that mobilization and de-mobilization costs are not subject to adjustment and will be final once indicated here.
- 10) It is understood that the operational rate will not be charged in case of contractor owned equipment breakdowns and/or delays or delays due to weather that does not allow productive operation.
- 11) It is understood that the amount of sludge to process is an estimate. Bids are to be based the estimate and operation to completion, with an expected **120-hour operations** period. The volume of sludge to process could be more or less. The unit amounts may qualify for adjustment as evaluated and approved by the Town of Yarmouth.
- 12) It is understood that the project is expected to be completed in one week +/- 2-3 days, including mobilization, de-mobilization and set up delays, and shall begin within the time period agreed upon by the contractor and the Town of Yarmouth. This will be known as the period of operation. When a mutually determined satisfactory completion of all work and operations, is agreed upon by the Town of Yarmouth and the contractor, the contractor will submit a project completion certificate to request re-imburement of the security deposit and the Total Amount Payable. Due to the short length and nature of the project, progress payments as per CCDC 2 2020, will not be issued, subject to be superseded by Lien Legislation in the Place of Work.
- 13) It is understood that the total amount payable may be adjusted, on approval from the Town of Yarmouth, for more or less after actual chemical costs, and generator/fuel costs are summed up, according to the actual operating hours and in keeping with acceptable performance and production requirements outlined in the tender document conditions and specifications, as reported to the Town of Yarmouth upon project completion.
- 14) It is understood that the Town of Yarmouth shall require the contractor to provide a certificate of insurance with a minimum of \$5 million in liability coverage. If the contract extends beyond the expiry of the contractor's insurance, a second certificate will be required. The Town of Yarmouth shall be added to the certificate as a named insured. The successful tenderer shall not commence work under the Contract until satisfactory proof of insurance has been submitted to the Town of Yarmouth.
- 15) It is understood that the successful tenderer must furnish evidence verifying coverage under the Worker's Compensation Act and a clearance certificate indicating that the tenderer and any other subcontractors involved in the project have appropriate coverage in effect with the Worker's Compensation Board before work can commence on site.
- 16) It is understood that the successful tenderer is required to enter into a Contractor Safety Agreement with the Town of Yarmouth. The contractor shall submit a copy of their Occupational Health and Safety policy, their job specific hazard assessment, job and site-specific subsequent safety control plan, including all subcontractor work, and their relevant safe work practices and job procedures to the Town of Yarmouth prior to commencing work.

17) That they understand the coordination of all related project activities should take into account enacted provincial or federal restrictions of any kind in such a manner so as to not cause delays in the completion date.

**B: SCHEDULE OF PRICES**

- 1. Cost of mobilization and de-mobilization \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Operational rate per hour x 120 (hours) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Daily cost of generator and fuel x 5 (Days) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Daily Cost of NSF chemicals x 5 (Days) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contract price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(add 15%GST) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount payable** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of company: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

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

CCDC 2

# Stipulated Price Contract

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Name of Project

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR**

For use when a stipulated price is the basis of payment.

**This Agreement** made on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ .  
**by and between the parties**

hereinafter called the "Owner"

**and**

hereinafter called the "Contractor"

The *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree as follows:

**ARTICLE A-1 THE WORK**

The *Contractor* shall:

1.1 perform the *Work* required by the *Contract Documents* for *(insert below the description or title of the Work)*

located at *(insert below the Place of the Work)*

for which the Agreement has been signed by the parties, and for which *(insert below the name of the Consultant)*

is acting as and is hereinafter called the "*Consultant*" and

1.2 do and fulfill everything indicated by the *Contract Documents*, and

1.3 commence the *Work* by the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ and, subject to adjustment in *Contract Time* as provided for in the *Contract Documents*, attain *Ready-for-Takeover*, by the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ .

**ARTICLE A-2 AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS**

2.1 The *Contract* supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral, relating in any manner to the *Work*, including the bid documents that are not expressly listed in Article A-3 of the Agreement – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

2.2 The *Contract* may be amended only as provided in the *Contract Documents*.

## ARTICLE A-3 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

3.1 The following are the *Contract Documents* referred to in Article A-1 of the Agreement – THE WORK:

- Agreement between *Owner* and *Contractor*
- Definitions
- General Conditions

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*\* (Insert here, attaching additional pages if required, a list identifying all other Contract Documents e.g. supplementary conditions; Division 01 of the Specifications – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS; Project information that the Contractor may rely upon; technical Specifications, giving a list of contents with section numbers and titles, number of pages and date; material finishing schedules; Drawings, giving drawing number, title, date, revision date or mark; addenda, giving title, number, date; time schedule)*

**ARTICLE A-4 CONTRACT PRICE**

4.1 The *Contract Price*, which excludes *Value Added Taxes*, is:

/100 dollars \$

4.2 *Value Added Taxes* (of \_\_\_\_\_ %) payable by the *Owner* to the *Contractor* are:

/100 dollars \$

4.3 Total amount payable by the *Owner* to the *Contractor* for the *Work* is:

/100 dollars \$

4.4 These amounts shall be subject to adjustments as provided in the *Contract Documents*.

4.5 All amounts are in Canadian funds.

**ARTICLE A-5 PAYMENT**

5.1 Subject to the provisions of the *Contract Documents* and *Payment Legislation*, and in accordance with legislation and statutory regulations respecting holdback percentages, the *Owner* shall:

- .1 make progress payments to the *Contractor* on account of the *Contract Price* when due in the amount certified by the *Consultant* unless otherwise prescribed by *Payment Legislation* together with such *Value Added Taxes* as may be applicable to such payments,
- .2 upon *Substantial Performance of the Work*, pay to the *Contractor* the unpaid balance of the holdback amount when due together with such *Value Added Taxes* as may be applicable to such payment, and
- .3 upon the issuance of the final certificate for payment, pay to the *Contractor* the unpaid balance of the *Contract Price* when due together with such *Value Added Taxes* as may be applicable to such payment.

5.2 Interest

- .1 Should either party fail to make payments as they become due under the terms of the *Contract* or in an award by adjudication, arbitration or court, interest at the following rates on such unpaid amounts shall also become due and payable until payment:
  - (1) 2% per annum above the prime rate for the first 60 days.
  - (2) 4% per annum above the prime rate after the first 60 days.
 Such interest shall be compounded on a monthly basis. The prime rate shall be the rate of interest quoted by *(Insert name of chartered lending institution whose prime rate is to be used)*

for prime business loans as it may change from time to time.

- .2 Interest shall apply at the rate and in the manner prescribed by paragraph 5.2.1 of this Article on the settlement amount of any claim in dispute that is resolved either pursuant to Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION or otherwise, from the date the amount would have been due and payable under the *Contract*, had it not been in dispute, until the date it is paid.

**ARTICLE A-6 RECEIPT OF AND ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES IN WRITING**

6.1 *Notices in Writing* will be addressed to the recipient at the address set out below.

6.2 The delivery of a *Notice in Writing* will be by hand, by courier, by prepaid first class mail, or by other form of electronic communication during the transmission of which no indication of failure of receipt is communicated to the sender.

6.3 A *Notice in Writing* delivered by one party in accordance with this *Contract* will be deemed to have been received by the other party on the date of delivery if delivered by hand or courier, or if sent by mail it will be deemed to have been received five calendar days after the date on which it was mailed, provided that if either such day is not a *Working Day*, then the *Notice in Writing* will be deemed to have been received on the *Working Day* next following such day.

6.4 A *Notice in Writing* sent by any form of electronic communication will be deemed to have been received on the date of its transmission provided that if such day is not a *Working Day* or if it is received after the end of normal business hours on the date of its transmission at the place of receipt, then it will be deemed to have been received at the opening of business at the place of receipt on the first *Working Day* next following the transmission thereof.

6.5 An address for a party may be changed by *Notice in Writing* to the other party setting out the new address in accordance with this Article.

## Owner

*name of Owner\**

*address*

*email address*

## Contractor

*name of Contractor\**

*address*

*email address*

## Consultant

*name of Consultant\**

*address*

*email address*

*\* If it is intended that a specific individual must receive the notice, that individual's name shall be indicated.*

### ARTICLE A-7 LANGUAGE OF THE CONTRACT

- 7.1 When the *Contract Documents* are prepared in both the English and French languages, it is agreed that in the event of any apparent discrepancy between the English and French versions, the English / French # language shall prevail.  
*# Complete this statement by striking out inapplicable term.*
- 7.2 This Agreement is drawn in English at the request of the parties hereto. La présente convention est rédigée en anglais à la demande des parties.

### ARTICLE A-8 SUCCESSION

- 8.1 The *Contract* shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

**In witness whereof** the parties hereto have executed this Agreement by the hands of their duly authorized representatives.

SIGNED AND DELIVERED  
in the presence of:

**WITNESS**

**OWNER**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name of Owner*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name of person signing*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name and title of person signing*

**WITNESS**

**CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name of Contractor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name of person signing*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*name and title of person signing*

- N.B. Where legal jurisdiction, local practice or Owner or Contractor requirement calls for:*
- (a) proof of authority to execute this document, attach such proof of authority in the form of a certified copy of a resolution naming the representative(s) authorized to sign the Agreement for and on behalf of the corporation or partnership; or*
  - (b) the affixing of a corporate seal, this Agreement should be properly sealed.*

## DEFINITIONS

The following Definitions shall apply to all *Contract Documents*.

### Change Directive

A *Change Directive* is a written instruction prepared by the *Consultant* and signed by the *Owner* directing the *Contractor* to proceed with a change in the *Work* within the general scope of the *Contract Documents* prior to the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agreeing upon adjustments in the *Contract Price* and the *Contract Time*.

### Change Order

A *Change Order* is a written amendment to the *Contract* prepared by the *Consultant* and signed by the *Owner* and the *Contractor* stating their agreement upon:

- a change in the *Work*;
- the method of adjustment or the amount of the adjustment in the *Contract Price*, if any; and
- the extent of the adjustment in the *Contract Time*, if any.

### Construction Equipment

*Construction Equipment* means all machinery and equipment, either operated or not operated, that is required for preparing, fabricating, conveying, erecting, or otherwise performing the *Work* but is not incorporated into the *Work*.

### Consultant

The *Consultant* is the person or entity engaged by the *Owner* and identified as such in the Agreement. The *Consultant* is the Architect, the Engineer or entity licensed to practise in the province or territory of the *Place of the Work*.

### Contract

The *Contract* is the undertaking by the parties to perform their respective duties, responsibilities and obligations as prescribed in the *Contract Documents* and represents the entire agreement between the parties.

### Contract Documents

The *Contract Documents* consist of those documents listed in Article A-3 of the Agreement – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and amendments agreed upon between the parties.

### Contract Price

The *Contract Price* is the amount stipulated in Article A-4 of the Agreement – CONTRACT PRICE.

### Contract Time

The *Contract Time* is the time from commencement of the *Work* to the date of *Ready-for-Takeover* as stipulated in paragraph 1.3 of Article A-1 of the Agreement – THE WORK .

### Contractor

The *Contractor* is the person or entity identified as such in the Agreement.

### Drawings

The *Drawings* are the graphic and pictorial portions of the *Contract Documents*, wherever located and whenever issued, showing the design, location and dimensions of the *Work*, generally including plans, elevations, sections, details, and diagrams.

### Notice in Writing

A *Notice in Writing*, where identified in the *Contract Documents*, is a written communication between the parties or between them and the *Consultant* that is transmitted in accordance with the provisions of Article A-6 of the Agreement – RECEIPT OF AND ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES IN WRITING.

### Owner

The *Owner* is the person or entity identified as such in the Agreement.

### Other Contractor

*Other Contractor* means a contractor, other than the *Contractor* or a *Subcontractor*, engaged by the *Owner* for the *Project*.

### Payment Legislation

*Payment Legislation* means such legislation in effect at the *Place of the Work* which governs payment under construction contracts.

### Place of the Work

The *Place of the Work* is the designated site or location of the *Work* identified in the *Contract Documents*.

### Product

*Product or Products* means material, machinery, equipment, and fixtures forming part of the *Work*, but does not include *Construction Equipment*.

**Project**

The *Project* means the total construction contemplated of which the *Work* may be the whole or a part.

**Ready-for-Takeover**

*Ready-for-Takeover* shall have been attained when the conditions set out in paragraph 12.1.1 of GC 12.1 – READY-FOR-TAKEOVER have been met, as verified by the *Consultant* pursuant to paragraph 12.1.4.2 of GC 12.1 – READY-FOR-TAKEOVER.

**Shop Drawings**

*Shop Drawings* are drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, performance charts, brochures, *Product* data, and other data which the *Contractor* provides to illustrate details of portions of the *Work*.

**Specifications**

The *Specifications* are that portion of the *Contract Documents*, wherever located and whenever issued, consisting of the written requirements and standards for *Products*, systems, workmanship, quality, and the services necessary for the performance of the *Work*.

**Subcontractor**

A *Subcontractor* is a person or entity having a direct contract with the *Contractor* to perform a part or parts of the *Work* at the *Place of the Work*.

**Substantial Performance of the Work**

*Substantial Performance of the Work* is as defined in the lien legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*.

**Supplemental Instruction**

A *Supplemental Instruction* is an instruction, not involving adjustment in the *Contract Price* or *Contract Time*, in the form of *Specifications*, *Drawings*, schedules, samples, models, or written instructions, consistent with the intent of the *Contract Documents*. It is to be issued by the *Consultant* to supplement the *Contract Documents* as required for the performance of the *Work*.

**Supplier**

A *Supplier* is a person or entity having a direct contract with the *Contractor* to supply *Products*.

**Temporary Work**

*Temporary Work* means temporary supports, structures, facilities, services, and other temporary items, excluding *Construction Equipment*, required for the execution of the *Work* but not incorporated into the *Work*.

**Value Added Taxes**

*Value Added Taxes* means such sum as shall be levied upon the *Contract Price* by the Federal or any Provincial or Territorial Government and is computed as a percentage of the *Contract Price* and includes the Goods and Services Tax, the Quebec Sales Tax, the Harmonized Sales Tax, and any similar tax, the collection and payment of which have been imposed on the *Contractor* by tax legislation.

**Work**

The *Work* means the total construction and related services required by the *Contract Documents*.

**Working Day**

*Working Day* means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday, statutory holiday, or statutory vacation day that is observed by the construction industry in the area of the *Place of the Work*.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

### PART 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### GC 1.1 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- 1.1.1 The intent of the *Contract Documents* is to include the labour, *Products* and services necessary for the performance of the *Work* by the *Contractor* in accordance with these documents. It is not intended, however, that the *Contractor* shall supply products or perform work not consistent with, not covered by, or not properly inferable from the *Contract Documents*.
- 1.1.2 The *Contract Documents* are complementary, and what is required by one shall be as binding as if required by all. Performance by the *Contractor* shall be required only to the extent consistent with the *Contract Documents*.
- 1.1.3 The *Contractor* shall review the *Contract Documents* for the purpose of facilitating co-ordination and execution of the *Work* by the *Contractor*.
- 1.1.4 The *Contractor* is not responsible for errors, omissions or inconsistencies in the *Contract Documents*. If there are perceived errors, omissions or inconsistencies discovered by or made known to the *Contractor*, the *Contractor* shall promptly report to the *Consultant* and shall not proceed with the work affected until the *Contractor* has received corrected or additional information from the *Consultant*.
- 1.1.5 If there is a conflict within the *Contract Documents*:
- .1 the order of priority of documents, from highest to lowest, shall be
    - the Agreement between *Owner* and *Contractor*,
    - the Definitions,
    - Supplementary Conditions,
    - the General Conditions,
    - Division 01 of the *Specifications*,
    - technical *Specifications*,
    - material and finishing schedules,
    - the *Drawings*.
  - .2 *Drawings* of larger scale shall govern over those of smaller scale of the same date.
  - .3 dimensions shown on *Drawings* shall govern over dimensions scaled from *Drawings*.
  - .4 amended or later dated documents shall govern over earlier documents of the same type.
  - .5 noted materials and annotations shall govern over graphic indications.
- 1.1.6 Nothing contained in the *Contract Documents* shall create any contractual relationship between:
- .1 the *Owner* and a *Subcontractor*, a *Supplier*, or their agent, employee, or other person performing any portion of the *Work*.
  - .2 the *Consultant* and the *Contractor*, a *Subcontractor*, a *Supplier*, or their agent, employee, or other person performing any portion of the *Work*.
- 1.1.7 Words and abbreviations which have well known technical or trade meanings are used in the *Contract Documents* in accordance with such recognized meanings.
- 1.1.8 References in the *Contract Documents* to the singular shall be considered to include the plural as the context requires.
- 1.1.9 Neither the organization of the *Specifications* nor the arrangement of *Drawings* shall control the *Contractor* in dividing the work among *Subcontractors* and *Suppliers*.
- 1.1.10 *Specifications*, *Drawings*, models, and copies thereof furnished by the *Consultant* are and shall remain the *Consultant's* property, with the exception of the signed *Contract* sets, which shall belong to each party to the *Contract*. All *Specifications*, *Drawings* and models furnished by the *Consultant* are to be used only with respect to the *Work* and are not to be used on other work. These *Specifications*, *Drawings* and models are not to be copied or altered in any manner without the written authorization of the *Consultant*.
- 1.1.11 Physical models furnished by the *Contractor* at the *Owner's* expense are the property of the *Owner*.

#### GC 1.2 LAW OF THE CONTRACT

- 1.2.1 The law of the *Place of the Work* shall govern the interpretation of the *Contract*.

#### GC 1.3 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

- 1.3.1 Except as expressly provided in the *Contract Documents*, the duties and obligations imposed by the *Contract Documents* and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights, and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

- 1.3.2 No action or failure to act by the *Owner*, the *Consultant* or the *Contractor* shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the *Contract*, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

#### **GC 1.4 ASSIGNMENT**

- 1.4.1 Neither party to the *Contract* shall assign the *Contract* or a portion thereof without the written consent of the other, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

### **PART 2 ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONTRACT**

#### **GC 2.1 AUTHORITY OF THE CONSULTANT**

- 2.1.1 The *Consultant* will have authority to act on behalf of the *Owner* only to the extent provided in the *Contract Documents*, unless otherwise modified by written agreement as provided in paragraph 2.1.2.
- 2.1.2 The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the *Consultant* as set forth in the *Contract Documents* shall be modified or extended only with the written consent of the *Owner*, the *Consultant* and the *Contractor*.

#### **GC 2.2 ROLE OF THE CONSULTANT**

- 2.2.1 The *Consultant* will provide administration of the *Contract* as described in the *Contract Documents*.
- 2.2.2 The *Consultant* will visit the *Place of the Work* at intervals appropriate to the progress of construction to become familiar with the progress and quality of the work and to determine if the *Work* is proceeding in general conformity with the *Contract Documents*.
- 2.2.3 If the *Owner* and the *Consultant* agree, the *Consultant* will provide at the *Place of the Work*, one or more project representatives to assist in carrying out the *Consultant's* responsibilities. The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of such project representatives shall be as set forth in writing to the *Contractor*.
- 2.2.4 Based on the *Consultant's* observations and evaluation of the *Contractor's* applications for payment, the *Consultant* will determine the amounts owing to the *Contractor* under the *Contract* and will issue certificates for payment as provided in Article A-5 of the Agreement – PAYMENT, GC 5.3 – PAYMENT and GC 5.5 – FINAL PAYMENT.
- 2.2.5 The *Consultant* will not be responsible for and will not have control, charge or supervision of construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures, or for safety precautions and programs required in connection with the *Work* in accordance with the applicable construction safety legislation, other regulations or general construction practice. The *Consultant* will not be responsible for the *Contractor's* failure to perform the *Work* in accordance with the *Contract Documents*.
- 2.2.6 Except with respect to GC 5.1 – FINANCING INFORMATION REQUIRED OF THE OWNER, the *Consultant* will be, in the first instance, the interpreter of the requirements of the *Contract Documents*.
- 2.2.7 Matters in question relating to the performance of the *Work* or the interpretation of the *Contract Documents* shall be initially referred in writing to the *Consultant* by the party raising the question for interpretations and findings and copied to the other party.
- 2.2.8 Interpretations and findings of the *Consultant* shall be consistent with the intent of the *Contract Documents*. In making such interpretations and findings the *Consultant* will not show partiality to either the *Owner* or the *Contractor*.
- 2.2.9 The *Consultant's* interpretations and findings will be given in writing to the parties within a reasonable time.
- 2.2.10 With respect to claims for a change in *Contract Price*, the *Consultant* will make findings as set out in GC 6.6 – CLAIMS FOR A CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE.
- 2.2.11 The *Consultant* will have authority to reject work which in the *Consultant's* opinion does not conform to the requirements of the *Contract Documents*. Whenever the *Consultant* considers it necessary or advisable, the *Consultant* will have authority to require inspection or testing of work, whether or not such work is fabricated, installed or completed. However, neither the authority of the *Consultant* to act nor any decision either to exercise or not to exercise such authority shall give rise to any duty or responsibility of the *Consultant* to the *Contractor*, *Subcontractors*, *Suppliers*, or their agents, employees, or other persons performing any of the *Work*.
- 2.2.12 During the progress of the *Work* the *Consultant* will furnish *Supplemental Instructions* to the *Contractor* with reasonable promptness or in accordance with a schedule for such instructions agreed to by the *Consultant* and the *Contractor*.
- 2.2.13 The *Consultant* will review and take appropriate action upon *Shop Drawings*, samples and other submittals by the *Contractor*, in accordance with the *Contract Documents*.

- 2.2.14 The *Consultant* will prepare *Change Orders* and *Change Directives* as provided in GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.
- 2.2.15 The *Consultant* will conduct reviews of the *Work* to determine the date of *Substantial Performance of the Work* and verify that *Ready-for-Takeover* has been attained.
- 2.2.16 All certificates issued by the *Consultant* will be to the best of the *Consultant*'s knowledge, information and belief. By issuing any certificate, the *Consultant* does not guarantee the *Work* is correct or complete.
- 2.2.17 The *Consultant* will receive and review written warranties and related documents required by the *Contract* and provided by the *Contractor* and will forward such warranties and documents to the *Owner* for the *Owner*'s acceptance.
- 2.2.18 If the *Consultant*'s engagement is terminated, the *Owner* shall immediately engage a *Consultant* against whom the *Contractor* makes no reasonable objection and whose duties and responsibilities under the *Contract Documents* will be that of the former *Consultant*.

### **GC 2.3 REVIEW AND INSPECTION OF THE WORK**

- 2.3.1 The *Owner* and the *Consultant* shall have access to the *Work* at all times. The *Contractor* shall provide sufficient, safe and proper facilities at all times for the review of the *Work* by the *Consultant* and the inspection of the *Work* by authorized agencies. If parts of the *Work* are in preparation at locations other than the *Place of the Work*, the *Owner* and the *Consultant* shall be given access to such work whenever it is in progress.
- 2.3.2 If work is designated for tests, inspections or approvals in the *Contract Documents*, by the *Consultant*'s instructions, or by the laws or ordinances of the *Place of the Work*, the *Contractor* shall give the *Consultant* reasonable notification of when the work will be ready for review and inspection. The *Contractor* shall arrange for and shall give the *Consultant* reasonable notification of the date and time of inspections by other authorities.
- 2.3.3 The *Contractor* shall furnish promptly to the *Consultant* two copies of certificates and inspection reports relating to the *Work*.
- 2.3.4 If the *Contractor* covers, or permits to be covered, work that has been designated for special tests, inspections or approvals before such special tests, inspections or approvals are made, given or completed, the *Contractor* shall, if so directed, uncover such work, have the inspections or tests satisfactorily completed, and make good covering work at the *Contractor*'s expense.
- 2.3.5 The *Consultant* may order any portion or portions of the *Work* to be examined to confirm that such work is in accordance with the requirements of the *Contract Documents*. If the work is not in accordance with the requirements of the *Contract Documents*, the *Contractor* shall correct the work and pay the cost of examination and correction. If the work is in accordance with the requirements of the *Contract Documents*, the *Owner* shall pay the cost of examination and restoration.
- 2.3.6 The *Contractor* shall pay the cost of making any test or inspection, including the cost of samples required for such test or inspection, if such test or inspection is designated in the *Contract Documents* to be performed by the *Contractor* or is required by the laws or ordinances applicable to the *Place of the Work*.
- 2.3.7 The *Contractor* shall pay the cost of samples required for any test or inspection to be performed by others if such test or inspection is designated in the *Contract Documents*.

### **GC 2.4 DEFECTIVE WORK**

- 2.4.1 The *Contractor* shall promptly correct defective work that has been rejected by the *Consultant* as failing to conform to the *Contract Documents* whether or not the defective work was incorporated in the *Work* or the defect is the result of poor workmanship, use of defective products or damage through carelessness or other act or omission of the *Contractor*.
- 2.4.2 The *Contractor* shall make good promptly *Other Contractors*' work destroyed or damaged by such corrections at the *Contractor*'s expense.
- 2.4.3 If in the opinion of the *Consultant* it is not expedient to correct defective work or work not performed as provided in the *Contract Documents*, the *Owner* may deduct from the amount otherwise due to the *Contractor* the difference in value between the work as performed and that called for by the *Contract Documents*. If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* do not agree on the difference in value, they shall refer the matter to the *Consultant* for a finding.

## **PART 3 EXECUTION OF THE WORK**

### **GC 3.1 CONTROL OF THE WORK**

- 3.1.1 The *Contractor* shall have total control of the *Work* and shall effectively direct and supervise the *Work* so as to ensure conformity with the *Contract Documents*.

3.1.2 The *Contractor* shall be solely responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures and for co-ordinating the various parts of the *Work* under the *Contract*.

### **GC 3.2 CONSTRUCTION BY THE OWNER OR OTHER CONTRACTORS**

3.2.1 The *Owner* reserves the right to award separate contracts in connection with other parts of the *Project* to *Other Contractors* and to perform work with own forces.

3.2.2 When separate contracts are awarded for other parts of the *Project*, or when work is performed by the *Owner's* own forces, the *Owner* shall:

- .1 provide for the co-ordination of the activities and work of *Other Contractors* and the *Owner's* own forces with the *Work* of the *Contract*;
- .2 enter into separate contracts with *Other Contractors* under conditions of contract which are compatible with the conditions of the *Contract*;
- .3 ensure that insurance coverage is provided to the same requirements as are called for in GC 11.1 – INSURANCE and co-ordinate such insurance with the insurance coverage of the *Contractor* as it affects the *Work*; and
- .4 take all reasonable precautions to avoid labour disputes or other disputes on the *Project* arising from the work of *Other Contractors* or the *Owner's* own forces.

3.2.3 When separate contracts are awarded for other parts of the *Project*, or when work is performed by the *Owner's* own forces, the *Contractor* shall:

- .1 afford the *Owner* and *Other Contractors* reasonable opportunity to store their products and execute their work;
- .2 co-ordinate and schedule the *Work* with the work of *Other Contractors* or the *Owner's* own forces that are identified in the *Contract Documents*;
- .3 participate with *Other Contractors* and the *Owner* in reviewing their construction schedules when directed to do so; and
- .4 report promptly to the *Consultant* in writing any apparent deficiencies in the work of *Other Contractors* or of the *Owner's* own forces, where such work affects the proper execution of any portion of the *Work*, prior to proceeding with that portion of the *Work*.

3.2.4 Where a change in the *Work* is required as a result of the co-ordination and integration of the work of *Other Contractors* or *Owner's* own forces with the *Work*, the changes shall be authorized and valued as provided in GC 6.1 – OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES, GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.

3.2.5 Disputes and other matters in question between the *Contractor* and *Other Contractors* shall be dealt with as provided in Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION provided the *Other Contractors* have reciprocal obligations. The *Contractor* shall be deemed to have consented to arbitration of any dispute with any *Other Contractor* whose contract with the *Owner* contains a similar agreement to arbitrate. In the absence of *Other Contractors* having reciprocal obligations, disputes and other matters in question initiated by the *Contractor* against *Other Contractors* will be considered disputes and other matters in question between the *Contractor* and the *Owner*.

3.2.6 Should the *Owner*, the *Consultant*, *Other Contractors*, or anyone employed by them directly or indirectly be responsible for ill-timed work necessitating cutting or remedial work to be performed, the cost of such cutting or remedial work shall be valued as provided in GC 6.1 – OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES, GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.

### **GC 3.3 TEMPORARY WORK**

3.3.1 The *Contractor* shall have the sole responsibility for the design, erection, operation, maintenance, and removal of *Temporary Work* unless otherwise specified in the *Contract Documents*.

3.3.2 The *Contractor* shall engage and pay for registered professional engineering personnel skilled in the appropriate disciplines to perform those functions referred to in paragraph 3.3.1 where required by law or by the *Contract Documents* and in all cases where such *Temporary Work* is of such a nature that professional engineering skill is required to produce safe and satisfactory results.

3.3.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of GC 3.1 – CONTROL OF THE WORK, paragraphs 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 or provisions to the contrary elsewhere in the *Contract Documents* where such *Contract Documents* include designs for *Temporary Work* or specify a method of construction in whole or in part, such designs or methods of construction shall be considered to be part of the design of the *Work* and the *Contractor* shall not be held responsible for that part of the design or the specified method of construction. The *Contractor* shall, however, be responsible for the execution of such design or specified method of construction in the same manner as for the execution of the *Work*.

### **GC 3.4 CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE**

3.4.1 The *Contractor* shall:

- .1 prepare and submit to the *Owner* and the *Consultant* prior to the first application for payment, a construction schedule that indicates the timing of the major activities of the *Work* and provides sufficient detail of the critical events and their inter-relationship to demonstrate the *Work* will be performed in conformity with the *Contract Time*;
- .2 monitor the progress of the *Work* relative to the construction schedule and update the schedule on a monthly basis or as stipulated by the *Contract Documents*; and
- .3 advise the *Consultant* of any revisions required to the schedule as the result of extensions of the *Contract Time* as provided in Part 6 of the General Conditions – CHANGES IN THE WORK.

### **GC 3.5 SUPERVISION**

3.5.1 The *Contractor* shall provide all necessary supervision and appoint a competent representative who shall be in attendance at the *Place of the Work* while the *Work* is being performed. The appointed representative shall not be changed except for valid reason.

3.5.2 The appointed representative shall represent the *Contractor* at the *Place of the Work*. Information and instructions provided by the *Consultant* to the *Contractor*'s appointed representative shall be deemed to have been received by the *Contractor*, except with respect to Article A-6 of the Agreement – RECEIPT OF AND ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES IN WRITING.

### **GC 3.6 SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS**

3.6.1 The *Contractor* shall preserve and protect the rights of the parties under the *Contract* with respect to work to be performed under subcontract, and shall:

- .1 enter into contracts or written agreements with *Subcontractors* and *Suppliers* to require them to perform their work as provided in the *Contract Documents*;
- .2 incorporate the applicable terms and conditions of the *Contract Documents* into all contracts or written agreements with *Subcontractors* and *Suppliers*; and
- .3 be as fully responsible to the *Owner* for acts and omissions of *Subcontractors*, *Suppliers* and any persons directly or indirectly employed by them as for acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the *Contractor*.

3.6.2 The *Contractor* shall indicate in writing, if requested by the *Owner*, those *Subcontractors* or *Suppliers* whose bids have been received by the *Contractor* which the *Contractor* would be prepared to accept for the performance of a portion of the *Work*. Should the *Owner* not object before signing the *Contract*, the *Contractor* shall employ those *Subcontractors* or *Suppliers* so identified by the *Contractor* in writing for the performance of that portion of the *Work* to which their bid applies.

3.6.3 The *Owner* may, for reasonable cause, at any time before the *Owner* has signed the *Contract*, object to the use of a proposed *Subcontractor* or *Supplier* and require the *Contractor* to employ one of the other subcontract bidders.

3.6.4 If the *Owner* requires the *Contractor* to change a proposed *Subcontractor* or *Supplier*, the *Contract Price* and *Contract Time* shall be adjusted by the difference occasioned by such required change.

3.6.5 The *Contractor* shall not be required to employ as a *Subcontractor* or *Supplier*, a person or firm to which the *Contractor* may reasonably object.

3.6.6 The *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, may provide to a *Subcontractor* or *Supplier* information as to the percentage of the *Subcontractor*'s or *Supplier*'s work which has been certified for payment.

### **GC 3.7 LABOUR AND PRODUCTS**

3.7.1 The *Contractor* shall maintain good order and discipline among the *Contractor*'s employees engaged on the *Work* and employ only workers that are skilled in the tasks assigned.

3.7.2 The *Contractor* shall provide and pay for labour, *Products*, tools, *Construction Equipment*, water, heat, light, power, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for the performance of the *Work* in accordance with the *Contract*.

3.7.3 Unless otherwise specified in the *Contract Documents*, *Products* provided shall be new. *Products* which are not specified shall be of a quality consistent with those specified and their use acceptable to the *Consultant*.

### **GC 3.8 SHOP DRAWINGS**

3.8.1 The *Contractor* shall provide *Shop Drawings* as required in the *Contract Documents*.

3.8.2 The *Contractor* shall provide *Shop Drawings* to the *Consultant* to review in accordance with an agreed schedule, or in the absence of an agreed schedule, in orderly sequence and sufficiently in advance so as to cause no delay in the *Work* or in the work of *Other Contractors* or the *Owner*'s own forces.

- 3.8.3 The *Contractor* shall review all *Shop Drawings* before providing them to the *Consultant*. The *Contractor* represents by this review that:
- .1 the *Contractor* has determined and verified all applicable field measurements, field construction conditions, *Product* requirements, catalogue numbers and similar data, or will do so, and
  - .2 the *Contractor* has checked and co-ordinated each *Shop Drawing* with the requirements of the *Work* and of the *Contract Documents*.
- 3.8.4 The *Consultant's* review is for conformity to the design concept and for general arrangement only.
- 3.8.5 At the time of providing *Shop Drawings*, the *Contractor* shall expressly advise the *Consultant* in writing of any deviations in a *Shop Drawing* from the requirements of the *Contract Documents*. The *Consultant* shall indicate the acceptance or rejection of such deviation expressly in writing.
- 3.8.6 The *Consultant's* review shall not relieve the *Contractor* of responsibility for errors or omissions in the *Shop Drawings* or for meeting all requirements of the *Contract Documents*.
- 3.8.7 The *Consultant* will review and return *Shop Drawings* in accordance with the schedule agreed upon, or, in the absence of such schedule, with reasonable promptness so as to cause no delay in the performance of the *Work*.

## **PART 4 ALLOWANCES**

### **GC 4.1 CASH ALLOWANCES**

- 4.1.1 The *Contract Price* includes the cash allowances, if any, stated in the *Contract Documents*. The scope of the *Work* or costs included in such cash allowances shall be as described in the *Contract Documents*.
- 4.1.2 The *Contract Price*, and not the cash allowances, includes the *Contractor's* overhead and profit in connection with such cash allowances.
- 4.1.3 Expenditures under cash allowances shall be authorized by the *Owner* through the *Consultant*.
- 4.1.4 Where the actual cost of the *Work* under any cash allowance exceeds the amount of the allowance, any unexpended amounts from other cash allowances shall be reallocated, at the *Consultant's* direction, to cover the shortfall, and, in that case, there shall be no additional amount added to the *Contract Price* for overhead and profit. Only where the actual cost of the *Work* under all cash allowances exceeds the total amount of all cash allowances shall the *Contractor* be compensated for the excess incurred and substantiated, plus an amount for overhead and profit on the excess only, as set out in the *Contract Documents*.
- 4.1.5 The net amount of any unexpended cash allowances, after providing for any reallocations as contemplated in paragraph 4.1.4, shall be deducted from the *Contract Price* by *Change Order* without any adjustment for the *Contractor's* overhead and profit on such amount.
- 4.1.6 The value of the *Work* performed under a cash allowance is eligible to be included in progress payments.
- 4.1.7 The *Contractor* and the *Consultant* shall jointly prepare a schedule that shows when the items called for under cash allowances must be ordered to avoid delaying the progress of the *Work*.

### **GC 4.2 CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE**

- 4.2.1 The *Contract Price* includes the contingency allowance, if any, stated in the *Contract Documents*.
- 4.2.2 The contingency allowance includes the *Contractor's* overhead and profit in connection with such contingency allowance.
- 4.2.3 Expenditures under the contingency allowance shall be authorized and valued as provided in GC 6.1 – OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES, GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.
- 4.2.4 The *Contract Price* shall be adjusted by *Change Order* to provide for any difference between the expenditures authorized under paragraph 4.2.3 and the contingency allowance.

## **PART 5 PAYMENT**

### **GC 5.1 FINANCING INFORMATION REQUIRED OF THE OWNER**

- 5.1.1 The *Owner* shall, at the request of the *Contractor*, before signing the *Contract*, and promptly from time to time thereafter, furnish to the *Contractor* reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to fulfill the *Owner's* obligations under the *Contract*.
- 5.1.2 The *Owner* shall give the *Contractor Notice in Writing* of any material change in the *Owner's* financial arrangements to fulfill the *Owner's* obligations under the *Contract* during the performance of the *Contract*.

## **GC 5.2 APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT**

- 5.2.1 Applications for payment on account as provided in Article A-5 of the Agreement – PAYMENT shall be submitted monthly to the *Owner* and the *Consultant* simultaneously as the *Work* progresses.
- 5.2.2 Applications for payment shall be dated the last day of each payment period, which is the last day of the month or an alternative day of the month agreed in writing by the parties.
- 5.2.3 The amount claimed shall be for the value, proportionate to the amount of the *Contract*, of *Work* performed and *Products* delivered to the *Place of the Work* as of the last day of the payment period.
- 5.2.4 The *Contractor* shall submit to the *Consultant*, at least 15 calendar days before the first application for payment, a schedule of values for the parts of the *Work*, aggregating the total amount of the *Contract Price*, so as to facilitate evaluation of applications for payment.
- 5.2.5 The schedule of values shall be made out in such form as specified in the *Contract* and supported by such evidence as the *Consultant* may reasonably require.
- 5.2.6 Applications for payment shall be based on the schedule of values accepted by the *Consultant* and shall comply with the provisions of *Payment Legislation*.
- 5.2.7 Each application for payment shall include evidence of compliance with workers' compensation legislation at the *Place of the Work* and after the first payment, a declaration by the *Contractor* as to the distribution made of the amounts previously received using document CCDC 9A 'Statutory Declaration'.
- 5.2.8 Applications for payment for *Products* delivered to the *Place of the Work* but not yet incorporated into the *Work* shall be supported by such evidence as the *Consultant* may reasonably require to establish the value and delivery of the *Products*.

## **GC 5.3 PAYMENT**

- 5.3.1 After receipt by the *Consultant* and the *Owner* of an application for payment submitted by the *Contractor* in accordance with GC 5.2 – APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT:
  - .1 The *Consultant* will issue to the *Owner* and copy to the *Contractor*, no later than 10 calendar days after the receipt of the application for payment, a certificate for payment in the amount applied for, or in such other amount as the *Consultant* determines to be properly due. If the *Consultant* certifies a different amount, or rejects the application or part thereof, the *Owner* shall promptly issue a written notice to the *Contractor* giving reasons for the revision or rejection, such written notice to be in compliance with *Payment Legislation*.
  - .2 The *Owner* shall make payment to the *Contractor* on account as provided in Article A-5 of the Agreement – PAYMENT on or before 28 calendar days after the receipt by the *Owner* and the *Consultant* of the application for payment, and in any event, in compliance with *Payment Legislation*.

## **GC 5.4 SUBSTANTIAL PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK AND PAYMENT OF HOLDBACK**

- 5.4.1 The *Consultant* will review the *Work* to certify or verify the validity of the application for *Substantial Performance of the Work* and will promptly, and in any event, no later than 20 calendar days after receipt of the *Contractors* application:
  - .1 advise the *Contractor* in writing that the *Work* or the designated portion of the *Work* is not substantially performed and give reasons why, or
  - .2 state the date of *Substantial Performance of the Work* or a designated portion of the *Work* in a certificate and issue a copy of that certificate to each of the *Owner* and the *Contractor*.
- 5.4.2 Where the holdback amount required by the applicable lien legislation has not been placed in a separate lien holdback account, the *Owner* shall, no later than 10 calendar days prior to the expiry of the holdback period stipulated in the lien legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*, place the holdback amount in a bank account in the joint names of the *Owner* and the *Contractor*.
- 5.4.3 Subject to the requirements of any *Payment Legislation*, all holdback amount prescribed by the applicable lien legislation for the *Work* shall become due and payable to the *Contractor* no later than 10 *Working Days* following the expiration of the holdback period stipulated in the lien legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*.
- 5.4.4 The *Contractor* shall submit an application for payment of the lien holdback amount in accordance with GC 5.3 – PAYMENT.
- 5.4.5 Where legislation permits progressive release of the holdback for a portion of the *Work* and the *Consultant* has certified or verified that the part of the *Work* has been performed prior to *Substantial Performance of the Work*, the *Owner* hereby agrees to release, and shall release, such portion to the *Contractor* in accordance with such legislation.

5.4.6 Notwithstanding any progressive release of the holdback, the *Contractor* shall ensure that such parts of the *Work* are protected pending the issuance of a final certificate for payment and be responsible for the correction of defects or work not performed regardless of whether or not such was apparent when the holdback was released.

#### **GC 5.5 FINAL PAYMENT**

5.5.1 When the *Contractor* considers that the *Work* is completed, the *Contractor* shall submit an application for final payment.

5.5.2 The *Consultant* will, no later than 10 calendar days after the receipt of an application from the *Contractor* for final payment, review the *Work* to verify the validity of the application and when the *Consultant* finds the *Contractor's* application for final payment valid, the *Consultant* will promptly issue a final certificate for payment to the *Owner*, with a copy to the *Contractor*.

5.5.3 If the *Consultant* rejects the application or part thereof, the *Owner* will promptly issue a written notice to the *Contractor* giving reasons for the revision or rejection, such written notice to be in compliance with *Payment Legislation*.

5.5.4 Subject to the provision of paragraph 10.4.1 of GC 10.4 – WORKERS' COMPENSATION, and any legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*, the *Owner* shall, no later than 5 calendar days after the issuance of a final certificate for payment, pay the *Contractor* as provided in Article A-5 of the Agreement – PAYMENT and in any event, in compliance with *Payment Legislation*.

#### **GC 5.6 DEFERRED WORK**

5.6.1 If because of climatic or other conditions reasonably beyond the control of the *Contractor*, or if the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree that, there are items of work that must be deferred, payment in full for that portion of the *Work* which has been performed as certified by the *Consultant* shall not be withheld or delayed by the *Owner* on account thereof, but the *Owner* may withhold, until the remaining portion of the *Work* is finished, only such an amount that the *Consultant* determines is sufficient and reasonable to cover the cost of performing such deferred *Work*.

#### **GC 5.7 NON-CONFORMING WORK**

5.7.1 No payment by the *Owner* under the *Contract* nor partial or entire use or occupancy of the *Work* by the *Owner* shall constitute an acceptance of any portion of the *Work* or *Products* which are not in accordance with the requirements of the *Contract Documents*.

### **PART 6 CHANGES IN THE WORK**

#### **GC 6.1 OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES**

6.1.1 The *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, without invalidating the *Contract*, may make:

- .1 changes in the *Work* consisting of additions, deletions or other revisions to the *Work* by *Change Order* or *Change Directive*, and
- .2 changes to the *Contract Time* for the *Work*, or any part thereof, by *Change Order*.

6.1.2 The *Contractor* shall not perform a change in the *Work* without a *Change Order* or a *Change Directive*.

#### **GC 6.2 CHANGE ORDER**

6.2.1 When a change in the *Work* is proposed or required, the *Consultant* will provide the *Contractor* with a written description of the proposed change in the *Work*. The *Contractor* shall promptly present to the *Consultant*, in a form that can be reasonably evaluated, a method of adjustment or an amount of adjustment for the *Contract Price*, if any, and the adjustment in the *Contract Time*, if any, for the proposed change in the *Work*.

6.2.2 When the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree to the adjustments in the *Contract Price* and *Contract Time* or to the method to be used to determine the adjustments, such agreement shall be effective immediately and shall be recorded in a *Change Order*. The value of the work performed as the result of a *Change Order* shall be included in the applications for progress payment.

#### **GC 6.3 CHANGE DIRECTIVE**

6.3.1 If the *Owner* requires the *Contractor* to proceed with a change in the *Work* prior to the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agreeing upon the corresponding adjustment in *Contract Price* and *Contract Time*, the *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, shall issue a *Change Directive*.

6.3.2 A *Change Directive* shall only be used to direct a change in the *Work* which is within the general scope of the *Contract Documents*.

6.3.3 A *Change Directive* shall not be used to direct a change in the *Contract Time* only.

- 6.3.4 Upon receipt of a *Change Directive*, the *Contractor* shall proceed promptly with the change in the *Work*.
- 6.3.5 For the purpose of valuing *Change Directives*, changes in the *Work* that are not substitutions or otherwise related to each other shall not be grouped together in the same *Change Directive*.
- 6.3.6 The adjustment in the *Contract Price* for a change carried out by way of a *Change Directive* shall be determined on the basis of the cost of the *Contractor*'s actual expenditures and savings attributable to the *Change Directive*, valued in accordance with paragraph 6.3.7 and as follows:
- 1 If the change results in a net increase in the *Contractor*'s cost, the *Contract Price* shall be increased by the amount of the net increase in the *Contractor*'s cost, plus the *Contractor*'s percentage fee on such net increase.
  - 2 If the change results in a net decrease in the *Contractor*'s cost, the *Contract Price* shall be decreased by the amount of the net decrease in the *Contractor*'s cost, without adjustment for the *Contractor*'s percentage fee.
  - 3 The *Contractor*'s fee shall be as specified in the *Contract Documents* or as otherwise agreed by the parties.
- 6.3.7 The cost of performing the work attributable to the *Change Directive* shall be limited to the actual cost of the following in as much as it contributes directly to the implementation of the *Change Directive*:

#### **Labour**

- 1 rates that are listed in the schedule or as agreed by the *Owner* and the *Contractor* including wages, benefits, compensation, contributions, assessments, or taxes incurred for such items as employment insurance, provincial or territorial health insurance, workers' compensation, and Canada or Quebec Pension Plan for:
  - (1) trade labour in the direct employ of the *Contractor*;
  - (2) the *Contractor*'s personnel when stationed at the field office;
  - (3) the *Contractor*'s personnel engaged at shops or on the road, in expediting the production or transportation of materials or equipment; and
  - (4) the *Contractor*'s office personnel engaged in a technical capacity, or other personnel identified in Article A-3 of the Agreement – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS for the time spent in the performance of the *Work*;

#### **Products, Construction Equipment and Temporary Work**

- 2 cost of all *Products* including cost of transportation thereof;
- 3 in the absence of agreed rates, cost less salvage value of *Construction Equipment*, *Temporary Work* and tools, exclusive of hand tools under \$1,000 owned by the *Contractor*;
- 4 rental cost of *Construction Equipment*, *Temporary Work* and tools, exclusive of hand tools under \$1,000;
- 5 cost of all equipment and services required for the *Contractor*'s field office;

#### **Subcontract**

- 6 subcontract amounts of Subcontractor with pricing mechanism approved by the *Owner*;

#### **Others**

- 7 travel and subsistence expenses of the *Contractor*'s personnel described in paragraph 6.3.7.1;
- 8 deposits lost provided that they are not caused by negligent acts or omissions of the *Contractor*;
- 9 cost of quality assurance such as independent inspection and testing services;
- 10 charges levied by authorities having jurisdiction at the *Place of the Work*;
- 11 royalties, patent license fees, and damages for infringement of patents and cost of defending suits therefor subject always to the *Contractor*'s obligations to indemnify the *Owner* as provided in paragraph 10.3.1 of GC 10.3 – PATENT FEES;
- 12 premium for all contract securities and insurance for which the *Contractor* is required, by the *Contract Documents*, to provide, maintain and pay in relation to the performance of the *Work*;
- 13 losses and expenses sustained by the *Contractor* for matters which are the subject of insurance under the policies prescribed in GC 11.1 – INSURANCE when such losses and expenses are not recoverable because the amounts are in excess of collectible amounts or within the deductible amounts;
- 14 taxes and duties, other than *Value Added Taxes*, income, capital, or property taxes, relating to the *Work* for which the *Contractor* is liable;
- 15 charges for voice and data communications, courier services, expressage, transmittal and reproduction of documents, and petty cash items;
- 16 cost for removal and disposal of waste products and debris;
- 17 legal costs, incurred by the *Contractor*, in relation to the performance of the *Work* provided that they are not:
  - (1) relating to a dispute between the *Owner* and the *Contractor* unless such costs are part of a settlement or awarded by arbitration or court,
  - (2) the result of the negligent acts or omissions of the *Contractor*, or
  - (3) the result of a breach of this *Contract* by the *Contractor*;
- 18 cost of auditing when requested by the *Owner*; and
- 19 cost of *Project* specific information technology in accordance with the method determined by the parties.

- 6.3.8 Notwithstanding any other provisions contained in the General Conditions of the *Contract*, it is the intention of the parties that the cost of any item under any cost element referred to in paragraph 6.3.7 shall cover and include any and all costs or liabilities attributable to the *Change Directive* other than those which are the result of or occasioned by any failure on the part of the *Contractor* to exercise reasonable care and diligence in the *Contractor's* attention to the *Work*. Any cost due to failure on the part of the *Contractor* to exercise reasonable care and diligence in the *Contractor's* performance of the *Work* attributable to the *Change Directive* shall be borne by the *Contractor*.
- 6.3.9 The *Contractor* shall keep full and detailed accounts and records necessary for the documentation of the cost of performing the *Work* attributable to the *Change Directive* and shall provide the *Consultant* with copies thereof.
- 6.3.10 For the purpose of valuing *Change Directives*, the *Owner* shall be afforded reasonable access to all of the *Contractor's* pertinent documents related to the cost of performing the *Work* attributable to the *Change Directive*.
- 6.3.11 Pending determination of the final amount of a *Change Directive*, the undisputed value of the *Work* performed as the result of a *Change Directive* is eligible to be included in progress payments.
- 6.3.12 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* do not agree on the proposed adjustment in the *Contract Time* attributable to the change in the *Work*, or the method of determining it, the adjustment shall be referred to the *Consultant* for a finding.
- 6.3.13 When the *Owner* and the *Contractor* reach agreement on the adjustment to the *Contract Price* and to the *Contract Time*, this agreement shall be recorded in a *Change Order*.

#### **GC 6.4 CONCEALED OR UNKNOWN CONDITIONS**

- 6.4.1 If the *Owner* or the *Contractor* discover conditions at the *Place of the Work* which are:
- .1 subsurface or otherwise concealed physical conditions which existed before the commencement of the *Work* and differ materially from those indicated in the *Contract Documents*; or
  - .2 physical conditions, other than conditions due to weather, that are of a nature which differ materially from those ordinarily found to exist and generally recognized as inherent in construction activities of the character provided for in the *Contract Documents*,
- then the observing party shall give *Notice in Writing* to the other party of such conditions before they are disturbed and in no event later than 5 *Working Days* after first observance of the conditions.
- 6.4.2 The *Consultant* will promptly investigate such conditions and make a finding. If the finding is that the conditions differ materially and this would cause an increase or decrease in the *Contractor's* cost or time to perform the *Work*, the *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, shall issue appropriate instructions for a change in the *Work* as provided in GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER or GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.
- 6.4.3 If the *Consultant* finds that the conditions at the *Place of the Work* are not materially different or that no change in the *Contract Price* or the *Contract Time* is justified, the *Consultant* will promptly inform the *Owner* and the *Contractor* in writing.
- 6.4.4 If such concealed or unknown conditions relate to toxic and hazardous substances and materials, artifacts and fossils, or mould, the parties will be governed by the provisions of GC 9.2 – TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, GC 9.3 – ARTIFACTS AND FOSSILS and GC 9.5 – MOULD.

#### **GC 6.5 DELAYS**

- 6.5.1 If the *Contractor* is delayed in the performance of the *Work* by the *Owner*, the *Consultant*, or anyone employed or engaged by them directly or indirectly, contrary to the provisions of the *Contract Documents*, then the *Contract Time* shall be extended for such reasonable time as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor*. The *Contractor* shall be reimbursed by the *Owner* for reasonable costs incurred by the *Contractor* as the result of such delay.
- 6.5.2 If the *Contractor* is delayed in the performance of the *Work* by a stop work order issued by a court or other public authority and providing that such order was not issued as the result of an act or fault of the *Contractor* or any person employed or engaged by the *Contractor* directly or indirectly, resulting in the failure of the *Contractor* to attain *Ready-for-Takeover* by the date stipulated in Article A-1 of the Agreement – THE WORK, then the *Contract Time* shall be extended for such reasonable time as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor*. The *Contractor* shall be reimbursed by the *Owner* for reasonable costs incurred by the *Contractor* as the result of such delay.
- 6.5.3 If the *Contractor* is delayed in the performance of the *Work* by:
- .1 labour disputes, strikes, lock-outs (including lock-outs decreed or recommended for its members by a recognized contractors' association, of which the *Contractor* is a member or to which the *Contractor* is otherwise bound),
  - .2 fire, unusual delay by common carriers or unavoidable casualties,
  - .3 abnormally adverse weather conditions, or

- 4 any cause beyond the *Contractor's* control other than one resulting from a default or breach of *Contract* by the *Contractor*, then the *Contract Time* shall be extended for such reasonable time as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor*. The extension of time shall not be less than the time lost as the result of the event causing the delay, unless the *Contractor* agrees to a shorter extension. The *Contractor* shall not be entitled to payment for costs incurred by such delays unless such delays result from actions by the *Owner*, the *Consultant* or anyone employed or engaged by them directly or indirectly.
- 6.5.4 No extension shall be made for delay unless *Notice in Writing* of the cause of delay is given to the *Consultant* not later than 10 *Working Days* after the commencement of the delay. In the case of a continuing cause of delay only one *Notice in Writing* shall be necessary.
- 6.5.5 If no schedule is made under paragraph 2.2.12 of GC 2.2 – ROLE OF THE CONSULTANT, then no request for extension shall be made because of failure of the *Consultant* to furnish instructions until 10 *Working Days* after demand for such instructions has been made.

## **GC 6.6 CLAIMS FOR A CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE**

- 6.6.1 If the *Contractor* intends to make a claim for an increase to the *Contract Price*, or if the *Owner* intends to make a claim against the *Contractor* for a credit to the *Contract Price*, the party that intends to make the claim shall give timely *Notice in Writing* of intent to claim to the other party and to the *Consultant*.
- 6.6.2 Upon commencement of the event or series of events giving rise to a claim, the party intending to make the claim shall:
- .1 take all reasonable measures to mitigate any loss or expense which may be incurred as a result of such event or series of events, and
  - .2 keep such records as may be necessary to support the claim.
- 6.6.3 The party making the claim shall submit within a reasonable time to the *Consultant* a detailed account of the amount claimed and the grounds upon which the claim is based and the *Consultant* will make a finding upon such claim.
- 6.6.4 Where the event or series of events giving rise to the claim has a continuing effect, the detailed account submitted under paragraph 6.6.3 shall be considered to be an interim account and the party making the claim shall, at such intervals as the *Consultant* may reasonably require, submit further interim accounts giving the accumulated amount of the claim and any further grounds upon which it is based. The party making the claim shall submit a final account after the end of the effects resulting from the event or series of events.
- 6.6.5 The *Consultant's* findings, with respect to a claim made by either party, will be given by *Notice in Writing* to both parties within 30 *Working Days* after receipt of the claim by the *Consultant*, or within such other time period as may be agreed by the parties.
- 6.6.6 If such finding is not acceptable to either party, the claim shall be settled in accordance with Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

## **PART 7 DEFAULT NOTICE**

### **GC 7.1 OWNER'S RIGHT TO PERFORM THE WORK, TERMINATE THE CONTRACTOR'S RIGHT TO CONTINUE WITH THE WORK OR TERMINATE THE CONTRACT**

- 7.1.1 If the *Contractor* is adjudged bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors because of the *Contractor's* insolvency, or if a receiver is appointed because of the *Contractor's* insolvency, the *Owner* may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Owner* may have, terminate the *Contractor's* right to continue with the *Work*, by giving the *Contractor* or receiver or trustee in bankruptcy *Notice in Writing* to that effect.
- 7.1.2 If the *Contractor* neglects to perform the *Work* properly or otherwise fails to comply with the requirements of the *Contract* to a substantial degree and if the *Consultant* has given a written statement to the *Owner* and *Contractor* which provides the detail of such neglect to perform the *Work* properly or such failure to comply with the requirements of the *Contract* to a substantial degree, the *Owner* may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Owner* may have, give the *Contractor Notice in Writing*, containing particulars of the default including references to applicable provisions of the *Contract*, that the *Contractor* is in default of the *Contractor's* contractual obligations and instruct the *Contractor* to correct the default in the 5 *Working Days* immediately following the receipt of such *Notice in Writing*.
- 7.1.3 If the default cannot be corrected in the 5 *Working Days* specified or in such other time period as may be subsequently agreed in writing by the parties, the *Contractor* shall be in compliance with the *Owner's* instructions if the *Contractor*:
- .1 commences the correction of the default within the specified time,
  - .2 provides the *Owner* with an acceptable schedule for such correction, and
  - .3 corrects the default in accordance with the *Contract* terms and with such schedule.

- 7.1.4 If the *Contractor* fails to correct the default in the time specified or in such other time period as may be subsequently agreed in writing by the parties, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Owner* may have, the *Owner* may by giving *Notice in Writing*:
- .1 correct such default and deduct the cost thereof from any payment then or thereafter due the *Contractor* for the *Work* provided the *Consultant* has certified such cost to the *Owner* and the *Contractor*, or
  - .2 terminate the *Contractor*'s right to continue with the *Work* in whole or in part or terminate the *Contract*.
- 7.1.5 If the *Owner* terminates the *Contractor*'s right to continue with the *Work* as provided in paragraphs 7.1.1 and 7.1.4, the *Owner* shall be entitled to:
- .1 take possession of the *Work* and *Products* at the *Place of the Work*; subject to the rights of third parties, utilize the *Construction Equipment* at the *Place of the Work*; finish the *Work* by whatever method the *Owner* may consider expedient, but without undue delay or expense,
  - .2 withhold further payment to the *Contractor* until a final certificate for payment is issued,
  - .3 charge the *Contractor* the amount by which the full cost of finishing the *Work* as certified by the *Consultant*, including compensation to the *Consultant* for the *Consultant*'s additional services and a reasonable allowance as determined by the *Consultant* to cover the cost of corrections to work performed by the *Contractor* that may be required under GC 12.3 – WARRANTY, exceeds the unpaid balance of the *Contract Price*; however, if such cost of finishing the *Work* is less than the unpaid balance of the *Contract Price*, the *Owner* shall pay the *Contractor* the difference, and
  - .4 on expiry of the warranty period, charge the *Contractor* the amount by which the cost of corrections to the *Contractor*'s work under GC 12.3 – WARRANTY exceeds the allowance provided for such corrections, or if the cost of such corrections is less than the allowance, pay the *Contractor* the difference.
- 7.1.6 The *Contractor*'s obligation under the *Contract* as to quality, correction and warranty of the work performed by the *Contractor* up to the time of termination shall continue in force after such termination of the *Contract*.

## **GC 7.2 CONTRACTOR'S RIGHT TO SUSPEND THE WORK OR TERMINATE THE CONTRACT**

- 7.2.1 If the *Owner* is adjudged bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors because of the *Owner*'s insolvency, or if a receiver is appointed because of the *Owner*'s insolvency, the *Contractor* may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Contractor* may have, terminate the *Contract* by giving the *Owner* or receiver or trustee in bankruptcy *Notice in Writing* to that effect.
- 7.2.2 If the *Work* is suspended or otherwise delayed for a period of 20 *Working Days* or more under an order of a court or other public authority and providing that such order was not issued as the result of an act or fault of the *Contractor* or of anyone directly or indirectly employed or engaged by the *Contractor*, the *Contractor* may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Contractor* may have, terminate the *Contract* by giving the *Owner* *Notice in Writing* to that effect.
- 7.2.3 The *Contractor* may give *Notice in Writing* to the *Owner*, with a copy to the *Consultant*, that the *Owner* is in default of the *Owner*'s contractual obligations if:
- .1 the *Owner* fails to furnish, when so requested by the *Contractor*, reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to fulfill the *Owner*'s obligations under the *Contract*,
  - .2 the *Consultant* fails to issue a certificate as provided in Part 5 of the General Conditions – PAYMENT,
  - .3 the *Owner* fails to pay the *Contractor* when due the amounts certified by the *Consultant* or awarded by adjudication, arbitration or court, or
  - .4 the *Owner* fails to comply with the requirements of the *Contract* to a substantial degree and the *Consultant*, except for GC 5.1 – FINANCING INFORMATION REQUIRED OF THE OWNER, gives a written statement to the *Owner* and the *Contractor* that provides detail of such failure to comply with the requirements of the *Contract* to a substantial degree.
- 7.2.4 The *Contractor*'s *Notice in Writing* to the *Owner* provided under paragraph 7.2.3 shall advise that if the default is not corrected within 5 *Working Days* following the receipt of the *Notice in Writing*, the *Contractor* may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the *Contractor* may have, suspend the *Work* or terminate the *Contract*.
- 7.2.5 If the *Contractor* terminates the *Contract* by giving a *Notice in Writing* to the *Owner* under the conditions set out above, the *Contractor* shall be entitled to be paid for all work performed including reasonable profit, for loss sustained upon *Products* and *Construction Equipment*, and such other damages as the *Contractor* may have sustained as a result of the termination of the *Contract*.

## **PART 8 DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

### **GC 8.1 AUTHORITY OF THE CONSULTANT**

- 8.1.1 Differences between the parties to the *Contract* as to the interpretation, application or administration of the *Contract* or any failure to agree where agreement between the parties is called for, herein collectively called disputes, which are not resolved

in the first instance by findings of the *Consultant* as provided in GC 2.2 – ROLE OF THE CONSULTANT, shall be settled in accordance with the requirements of Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

- 8.1.2 If a dispute arises under the *Contract* in respect of a matter in which the *Consultant* has no authority under the *Contract* to make a finding, the procedures set out in paragraph 8.1.3 and paragraphs 8.3.3 to 8.3.8 of GC 8.3 – NEGOTIATION, MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION, and in GC 8.4 – RETENTION OF RIGHTS apply to that dispute with the necessary changes to detail as may be required.
- 8.1.3 If a dispute is not resolved promptly, the *Consultant* will give such instructions as in the *Consultant's* opinion are necessary for the proper performance of the *Work* and to prevent delays pending settlement of the dispute. The parties shall act immediately according to such instructions, it being understood that by so doing neither party will jeopardize any claim the party may have. If it is subsequently determined that such instructions were in error or at variance with the *Contract Documents*, the *Owner* shall pay the *Contractor* costs incurred by the *Contractor* in carrying out such instructions which the *Contractor* was required to do beyond what the *Contract Documents* correctly understood and interpreted would have required, including costs resulting from interruption of the *Work*.

## GC 8.2 ADJUDICATION

- 8.2.1 Nothing in this *Contract* shall be deemed to affect the rights of the parties to resolve any dispute by adjudication as may be prescribed by applicable legislation.

## GC 8.3 NEGOTIATION, MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION

- 8.3.1 In accordance with the rules for mediation as provided in CCDC 40 ‘Rules for Mediation and Arbitration of Construction Industry Disputes’ in effect at the time of bid closing, the parties shall appoint a Project Mediator
- .1 within 20 *Working Days* after the *Contract* was awarded, or
  - .2 if the parties neglected to make an appointment within the 20 *Working Days*, within 10 *Working Days* after either party by *Notice in Writing* requests that the Project Mediator be appointed.
- 8.3.2 A party shall be conclusively deemed to have accepted a finding of the *Consultant* under GC 2.2 – ROLE OF THE CONSULTANT and to have expressly waived and released the other party from any claims in respect of the particular matter dealt with in that finding unless, within 15 *Working Days* after receipt of that finding, the party sends a *Notice in Writing* of dispute to the other party and to the *Consultant*, which contains the particulars of the matter in dispute and the relevant provisions of the *Contract Documents*. The responding party shall send a *Notice in Writing* of reply to the dispute within 10 *Working Days* after receipt of such *Notice in Writing* setting out particulars of this response and any relevant provisions of the *Contract Documents*.
- 8.3.3 The parties shall make all reasonable efforts to resolve their dispute by amicable negotiations and agree to provide, without prejudice, frank, candid, and timely disclosure of relevant facts, information and documents to facilitate these negotiations.
- 8.3.4 After a period of 10 *Working Days* following receipt of a responding party’s *Notice in Writing* of reply under paragraph 8.3.2, the parties shall request the Project Mediator to assist the parties to reach agreement on any unresolved dispute. The mediated negotiations shall be conducted in accordance with the rules for mediation as provided in CCDC 40 in effect at the time of bid closing.
- 8.3.5 If the dispute has not been resolved at the mediation or within such further period as is agreed by the parties, the Project Mediator will terminate the mediated negotiations by giving *Notice in Writing* to the *Owner*, the *Contractor* and the *Consultant*.
- 8.3.6 By giving a *Notice in Writing* to the other party and the *Consultant*, not later than 10 *Working Days* after the date of termination of the mediated negotiations under paragraph 8.3.5, either party may refer the dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the rules of arbitration as provided in CCDC 40 in effect at the time of bid closing. The arbitration shall be conducted in the jurisdiction of the *Place of the Work*.
- 8.3.7 On expiration of the 10 *Working Days*, the arbitration agreement under paragraph 8.3.6 is not binding on the parties and, if a *Notice in Writing* is not given under paragraph 8.3.6 within the required time, the parties may refer the unresolved dispute to the courts or to any other form of dispute resolution, including arbitration, which they have agreed to use.
- 8.3.8 If neither party, by *Notice in Writing*, given within 10 *Working Days* of the date of *Notice in Writing* requesting arbitration in paragraph 8.3.6, requires that a dispute be arbitrated immediately, all disputes referred to arbitration as provided in paragraph 8.3.6 shall be:
- .1 held in abeyance until:
    - (1) *Ready-for-Takeover*,
    - (2) the *Contract* has been terminated, or
    - (3) the *Contractor* has abandoned the *Work*,whichever is earlier; and

.2 consolidated into a single arbitration under the rules governing the arbitration under paragraph 8.3.6.

#### **GC 8.4 RETENTION OF RIGHTS**

- 8.4.1 It is agreed that no act by either party shall be construed as a renunciation or waiver of any rights or recourses, provided the party has given the *Notice in Writing* required under Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION and has carried out the instructions as provided in paragraph 8.1.3 of GC 8.1 – AUTHORITY OF THE CONSULTANT.
- 8.4.2 Nothing in Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION shall be construed in any way to limit a party from asserting any statutory right to a lien under applicable lien legislation of the jurisdiction of the *Place of the Work* and the assertion of such right by initiating judicial proceedings is not to be construed as a waiver of any right that party may have under paragraph 8.3.6 of GC 8.3 – NEGOTIATION, MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION to proceed by way of arbitration to adjudicate the merits of the claim upon which such a lien is based.

### **PART 9 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

#### **GC 9.1 PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY**

- 9.1.1 The *Contractor* shall protect the *Work*, the *Owner's* property and property adjacent to the *Place of the Work* from damage which may arise as the result of the *Contractor's* operations under the *Contract*, and shall be responsible for such damage, except damage which occurs as the result of:
- .1 errors or omissions in the *Contract Documents*; or
  - .2 acts or omissions by the *Owner*, the *Consultant*, *Other Contractors*, or their agents and employees.
- 9.1.2 Before commencing any work, the *Contractor* shall determine the location of all underground utilities and structures indicated in the *Contract Documents* or that are reasonably apparent in an inspection of the *Place of the Work*.
- 9.1.3 Should the *Contractor* in the performance of the *Contract* damage the *Work*, the *Owner's* property or property adjacent to the *Place of the Work*, the *Contractor* shall be responsible for making good such damage at the *Contractor's* expense.
- 9.1.4 Should damage occur to the *Work* or the *Owner's* property for which the *Contractor* is not responsible, as provided in paragraph 9.1.1, the *Contractor* shall make good such damage to the *Work* and, if the *Owner* so directs, to the *Owner's* property. The *Contract Price* and *Contract Time* shall be adjusted as provided in GC 6.1 – OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES, GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.

#### **GC 9.2 TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES**

- 9.2.1 For the purposes of applicable legislation related to toxic and hazardous substances, the *Owner* shall be deemed to have control and management of the *Place of the Work* with respect to existing conditions.
- 9.2.2 Prior to the *Contractor* commencing the *Work*, the *Owner* shall,
- .1 take all reasonable steps to determine whether any toxic or hazardous substances are present at the *Place of the Work*, and
  - .2 provide the *Consultant* and the *Contractor* with a written list of any such substances that are known to exist and their locations.
- 9.2.3 The *Owner* shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that no person's exposure to any toxic or hazardous substance exceeds the time weighted levels prescribed by applicable legislation at the *Place of the Work* and that no property is damaged or destroyed as a result of exposure to, or the presence of, toxic or hazardous substances which were at the *Place of the Work* prior to the *Contractor* commencing the *Work*.
- 9.2.4 Unless the *Contract* expressly provides otherwise, the *Owner* shall be responsible for taking all necessary steps, in accordance with applicable legislation in force at the *Place of the Work*, to dispose of, store or otherwise render harmless any toxic or hazardous substance which was present at the *Place of the Work* prior to the *Contractor* commencing the *Work*.
- 9.2.5 If the *Contractor*
- .1 encounters toxic or hazardous substances at the *Place of the Work*, or
  - .2 has reasonable grounds to believe that toxic or hazardous substances are present at the *Place of the Work*, which were not brought to the *Place of the Work* by the *Contractor* or anyone for whom the *Contractor* is responsible and which were not disclosed by the *Owner* or which were disclosed but have not been dealt with as required under paragraph 9.2.4, the *Contractor* shall
  - .3 take all reasonable steps, including stopping the *Work*, to ensure that no person's exposure to any toxic or hazardous substance exceeds any applicable time weighted levels prescribed by applicable legislation at the *Place of the Work*, and
  - .4 immediately report the circumstances to the *Consultant* and the *Owner* in writing.

- 9.2.6 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* do not agree on the existence, significance of, or whether the toxic or hazardous substances were brought onto the *Place of the Work* by the *Contractor* or anyone for whom the *Contractor* is responsible, the *Owner* shall retain and pay for an independent qualified expert to investigate and determine such matters. The expert's report shall be delivered to the *Owner* and the *Contractor*.
- 9.2.7 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree or if the expert referred to in paragraph 9.2.6 determines that the toxic or hazardous substances were not brought onto the place of the *Work* by the *Contractor* or anyone for whom the *Contractor* is responsible, the *Owner* shall promptly at the *Owner's* own expense:
- .1 take all steps as required under paragraph 9.2.4;
  - .2 reimburse the *Contractor* for the costs of all steps taken pursuant to paragraph 9.2.5;
  - .3 extend the *Contract Time* for such reasonable time as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor* and the expert referred to in 9.2.6 and reimburse the *Contractor* for reasonable costs incurred as a result of the delay; and
  - .4 indemnify the *Contractor* as required by GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION.
- 9.2.8 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree or if the expert referred to in paragraph 9.2.6 determines that the toxic or hazardous substances were brought onto the place of the *Work* by the *Contractor* or anyone for whom the *Contractor* is responsible, the *Contractor* shall promptly at the *Contractor's* own expense:
- .1 take all necessary steps, in accordance with applicable legislation in force at the *Place of the Work*, to safely remove and dispose the toxic or hazardous substances;
  - .2 make good any damage to the *Work*, the *Owner's* property or property adjacent to the place of the *Work* as provided in paragraph 9.1.3 of GC 9.1 – PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY;
  - .3 reimburse the *Owner* for reasonable costs incurred under paragraph 9.2.6; and
  - .4 indemnify the *Owner* as required by GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION.
- 9.2.9 If either party does not accept the expert's findings under paragraph 9.2.6, the disagreement shall be settled in accordance with Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION. If such disagreement is not resolved promptly, the parties shall act immediately in accordance with the expert's determination and take the steps required by paragraph 9.2.7 or 9.2.8 it being understood that by so doing, neither party will jeopardize any claim that party may have to be reimbursed as provided by GC 9.2 – TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES.

### **GC 9.3 ARTIFACTS AND FOSSILS**

- 9.3.1 Fossils, coins, articles of value or antiquity, structures and other remains or things of scientific or historic interest discovered at the *Place or Work* shall, as between the *Owner* and the *Contractor*, be deemed to be the absolute property of the *Owner*.
- 9.3.2 The *Contractor* shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent removal or damage to discoveries as identified in paragraph 9.3.1, and shall advise the *Consultant* upon discovery of such items.
- 9.3.3 The *Consultant* will investigate the impact on the *Work* of the discoveries identified in paragraph 9.3.1. If conditions are found that would cause an increase or decrease in the *Contractor's* cost or time to perform the *Work*, the *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, shall issue appropriate instructions for a change in the *Work* as provided in GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER or GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.

### **GC 9.4 CONSTRUCTION SAFETY**

- 9.4.1 The *Contractor* shall be responsible for establishing, initiating, maintaining, and supervising all health and safety precautions and programs in connection with the performance of the *Work* in accordance with the applicable health and safety legislation.
- 9.4.2 The *Owner* and the *Contractor* shall comply with all health and safety precautions and programs established at the *Place of the Work*.
- 9.4.3 The *Owner* and the *Contractor* shall comply with the rules, regulations and practices required by the applicable health and safety legislation.
- 9.4.4 The *Owner* shall cause the *Consultant*, *Other Contractors* and the *Owner's* own forces to comply with all health and safety precautions and programs established by the *Contractor* at the *Place of the Work*.
- 9.4.5 Nothing in this *Contract* shall affect the determination of liability under the applicable health and safety legislation.

### **GC 9.5 MOULD**

- 9.5.1 If the *Contractor* or the *Owner* observes or reasonably suspects the presence of mould at the *Place of the Work*, the remediation of which is not expressly part of the *Work*,
- .1 the observing party shall promptly report the circumstances to the other party in writing,
  - .2 the *Contractor* shall promptly take all reasonable steps, including stopping the *Work* if necessary, to ensure that no person suffers injury, sickness or death and that no property is damaged as a result of exposure to or the presence of the mould, and

- .3 if the *Owner* and the *Contractor* do not agree on the existence, significance or cause of the mould or as to what steps need be taken to deal with it, the *Owner* shall retain and pay for an independent qualified expert to investigate and determine such matters. The expert's report shall be delivered to the *Owner* and the *Contractor*.
- 9.5.2 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree, or if the expert referred to in paragraph 9.5.1.3 determines that the presence of mould was caused by the *Contractor's* operations under the *Contract*, the *Contractor* shall promptly, at the *Contractor's* own expense:
- .1 take all reasonable and necessary steps to safely remediate or dispose of the mould,
  - .2 make good any damage to the *Work*, the *Owner's* property or property adjacent to the *Place of the Work* as provided in paragraph 9.1.3 of GC 9.1 – PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY,
  - .3 reimburse the *Owner* for reasonable costs incurred under paragraph 9.5.1.3, and
  - .4 indemnify the *Owner* as required by GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION.
- 9.5.3 If the *Owner* and the *Contractor* agree, or if the expert referred to in paragraph 9.5.1.3 determines that the presence of mould was not caused by the *Contractor's* operations under the *Contract*, the *Owner* shall promptly, at the *Owner's* own expense:
- .1 take all reasonable and necessary steps to safely remediate or dispose of the mould,
  - .2 reimburse the *Contractor* for the cost of taking the steps under paragraph 9.5.1.2 and making good any damage to the *Work* as provided in paragraph 9.1.4 of GC 9.1 – PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY,
  - .3 extend the *Contract Time* for such reasonable time as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor* and the expert referred to in paragraph 9.5.1.3 and reimburse the *Contractor* for reasonable costs incurred as a result of the delay, and
  - .4 indemnify the *Contractor* as required by GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION.
- 9.5.4 If either party does not accept the expert's finding under paragraph 9.5.1.3, the disagreement shall be settled in accordance with Part 8 of the General Conditions – DISPUTE RESOLUTION. If such disagreement is not resolved promptly, the parties shall act immediately in accordance with the expert's determination and take the steps required by paragraphs 9.5.2 or 9.5.3, it being understood that by so doing neither party will jeopardize any claim the party may have to be reimbursed as provided by GC 9.5 – MOULD.

## **PART 10 GOVERNING REGULATIONS**

### **GC 10.1 TAXES AND DUTIES**

- 10.1.1 The *Contract Price* shall include all taxes and customs duties in effect at the time of the bid closing except for *Value Added Taxes* payable by the *Owner* to the *Contractor* as stipulated in Article A-4 of the Agreement – CONTRACT PRICE.
- 10.1.2 Any increase or decrease in costs to the *Contractor* due to changes in taxes and duties after the time of the bid closing shall increase or decrease the *Contract Price* accordingly.

### **GC 10.2 LAWS, NOTICES, PERMITS, AND FEES**

- 10.2.1 The laws of the *Place of the Work* shall govern the *Work*.
- 10.2.2 The *Owner* shall obtain and pay for development approvals, building permit, permanent easements, rights of servitude, and all other necessary approvals and permits, except for the permits and fees referred to in paragraph 10.2.3 or for which the *Contract Documents* specify as the responsibility of the *Contractor*.
- 10.2.3 The *Contractor* shall be responsible for the procurement of permits, licences, inspections, and certificates, which are necessary for the performance of the *Work* and customarily obtained by contractors in the jurisdiction of the *Place of the Work* after the issuance of the building permit. The *Contract Price* includes the cost of these permits, licences, inspections, and certificates, and their procurement.
- 10.2.4 The *Contractor* shall give the required notices and comply with the laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes which are or become in force during the performance of the *Work* and which relate to the *Work*, to the preservation of the public health, and to construction safety.
- 10.2.5 The *Contractor* shall not be responsible for verifying that the *Contract Documents* are in compliance with the applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes relating to the *Work*. If the *Contract Documents* are at variance therewith, or if, subsequent to the time of bid closing, changes are made to the applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes which require modification to the *Contract Documents*, the *Contractor* shall advise the *Consultant* in writing requesting direction immediately upon such variance or change becoming known. The *Consultant* will issue the changes required to the *Contract Documents* as provided in GC 6.1 – OWNER'S RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES, GC 6.2 – CHANGE ORDER and GC 6.3 – CHANGE DIRECTIVE.

- 10.2.6 If the *Contractor* fails to advise the *Consultant* in writing; fails to obtain direction as required in paragraph 10.2.5; and performs work knowing it to be contrary to any laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes; the *Contractor* shall be responsible for and shall correct the violations thereof; and shall bear the costs, expenses and damages attributable to the failure to comply with the provisions of such laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes.
- 10.2.7 If, subsequent to the time of bid closing, changes are made to applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or codes of authorities having jurisdiction which affect the cost of the *Work*, either party may submit a claim in accordance with the requirements of GC 6.6 – CLAIMS FOR A CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE.

### GC 10.3 PATENT FEES

- 10.3.1 The *Contractor* shall pay the royalties and patent licence fees required for the performance of the *Contract*. The *Contractor* shall hold the *Owner* harmless from and against claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings arising out of the *Contractor's* performance of the *Contract* which are attributable to an infringement or an alleged infringement of a patent of invention by the *Contractor* or anyone for whose acts the *Contractor* may be liable.
- 10.3.2 The *Owner* shall hold the *Contractor* harmless against claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings arising out of the *Contractor's* performance of the *Contract* which are attributable to an infringement or an alleged infringement of a patent of invention in executing anything for the purpose of the *Contract*, the physical model, plan or design of which was supplied to the *Contractor* as part of the *Contract*.

### GC 10.4 WORKERS' COMPENSATION

- 10.4.1 Prior to commencing the *Work*, and again with the *Contractor's* applications for payment, the *Contractor* shall provide evidence of compliance with workers' compensation legislation at the *Place of the Work*.

## PART 11 INSURANCE

### GC 11.1 INSURANCE

- 11.1.1 Without restricting the generality of GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION, the *Contractor* shall provide, maintain and pay for the following insurance coverages, the requirements of which are specified in CCDC 41 'CCDC Insurance Requirements' in effect at the time of bid closing except as hereinafter provided:
1. General liability insurance in the name of the *Contractor* and include, or in the case of a single, blanket policy, be endorsed to name, the *Owner* and the *Consultant* as insureds but only with respect to liability, other than legal liability arising out of their sole negligence, arising out of the operations of the *Contractor* with regard to the *Work*. General liability insurance shall be maintained from the date of commencement of the *Work* until one year from the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*. Liability coverage shall be provided for completed operations hazards from the date of *Ready-for-Takeover* on an ongoing basis for a period of 6 years following *Ready-for-Takeover*.
  2. Automobile Liability Insurance from the date of commencement of the *Work* until one year after the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*.
  3. Unmanned aerial vehicle aircraft, manned aircraft or watercraft Liability Insurance when owned or non-owned manned or unmanned aircraft or watercraft are used directly or indirectly in the performance of the *Work*.
  4. "Broad form" property insurance in the joint names of the *Contractor*, the *Owner* and the *Consultant*. The policy shall include as insureds all *Subcontractors*. The "Broad form" property insurance shall be provided from the date of commencement of the *Work* until the earliest of:
    - (1) 10 calendar days after the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*;
    - (2) on the commencement of use or occupancy of any part or section of the *Work* unless such use or occupancy is for construction purposes, habitational, office, banking, convenience store under 465 square metres in area, or parking purposes, or for the installation, testing and commissioning of equipment forming part of the *Work*; and
    - (3) when left unattended for more than 30 consecutive calendar days or when construction activity has ceased for more than 30 consecutive calendar days.
  5. Boiler and machinery insurance in the joint names of the *Contractor*, the *Owner* and the *Consultant*. The policy shall include as insureds all *Subcontractors*. The coverage shall be maintained continuously from commencement of use or operation of the boiler and machinery objects insured by the policy and until 10 calendar days after the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*.
  6. The "Broad form" property and boiler and machinery policies shall provide that, in the case of a loss or damage, payment shall be made to the *Owner* and the *Contractor* as their respective interests may appear. In the event of loss or damage:
    - (1) the *Contractor* shall act on behalf of the *Owner* for the purpose of adjusting the amount of such loss or damage payment with the insurers. When the extent of the loss or damage is determined, the *Contractor* shall proceed to restore the *Work*. Loss or damage shall not affect the rights and obligations of either party under the *Contract* except

that the *Contractor* shall be entitled to such reasonable extension of *Contract Time* relative to the extent of the loss or damage as the *Consultant* may recommend in consultation with the *Contractor*;

- (2) the *Contractor* shall be entitled to receive from the *Owner*, in addition to the amount due under the *Contract*, the amount which the *Owner's* interest in restoration of the *Work* has been appraised, such amount to be paid as the restoration of the *Work* proceeds in accordance with the progress payment provisions. In addition the *Contractor* shall be entitled to receive from the payments made by the insurer the amount of the *Contractor's* interest in the restoration of the *Work*; and
- (3) to the *Work* arising from the work of the *Owner*, the *Owner's* own forces or *Other Contractors*, the *Owner* shall, in accordance with the *Owner's* obligations under the provisions relating to construction by the *Owner* or *Other Contractors*, pay the *Contractor* the cost of restoring the *Work* as the restoration of the *Work* proceeds and as in accordance with the progress payment provisions.

- .7 *Contractors' Equipment Insurance* from the date of commencement of the *Work* until one year after the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*.
- .8 *Contractors' Pollution Liability Insurance* from the date of commencement of the *Work* until one year after the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*.

11.1.2 Prior to commencement of the *Work* and upon the placement, renewal, amendment, or extension of all or any part of the insurance, the *Contractor* shall promptly provide the *Owner* with confirmation of coverage and, if required, a certified true copy of the policies certified by an authorized representative of the insurer together with copies of any amending endorsements applicable to the *Work*.

11.1.3 The parties shall pay their share of the deductible amounts in direct proportion to their responsibility in regards to any loss for which the above policies are required to pay, except where such amounts may be excluded by the terms of the *Contract*.

11.1.4 If the *Contractor* fails to provide or maintain insurance as required by the *Contract Documents*, then the *Owner* shall have the right to provide and maintain such insurance and give evidence to the *Contractor* and the *Consultant*. The *Contractor* shall pay the cost thereof to the *Owner* on demand or the *Owner* may deduct the cost from the amount which is due or may become due to the *Contractor*.

11.1.5 All required insurance policies shall be with insurers licensed to underwrite insurance in the jurisdiction of the *Place of the Work*.

11.1.6 If a revised version of CCDC 41 is published, which specifies reduced insurance requirements, the parties shall address such reduction, prior to the *Contractor's* insurance policy becoming due for renewal, and record any agreement in a *Change Order*.

11.1.7 If a revised version of CCDC 41 is published, which specifies increased insurance requirements, the *Owner* may request the increased coverage from the *Contractor* by way of a *Change Order*.

11.1.8 A *Change Directive* shall not be used to direct a change in the insurance requirements in response to the revision of CCDC 41.

## **PART 12 OWNER TAKEOVER**

### **GC 12.1 READY-FOR-TAKEOVER**

12.1.1 The prerequisites to attaining *Ready-for-Takeover* of the *Work* are limited to the following:

- .1 The *Consultant* has certified or verified the *Substantial Performance of the Work*.
- .2 Evidence of compliance with the requirements for occupancy or occupancy permit as prescribed by the authorities having jurisdiction.
- .3 Final cleaning and waste removal at the time of applying for *Ready-for-Takeover*, as required by the *Contract Documents*.
- .4 The delivery to the *Owner* of such operations and maintenance documents reasonably necessary for immediate operation and maintenance, as required by the *Contract Documents*.
- .5 Make available a copy of the as-built drawings completed to date on site.
- .6 Startup, testing required for immediate occupancy, as required by the *Contract Documents*.
- .7 Ability to secure access to the *Work* has been provided to the *Owner*, if required by the *Contract Documents*.
- .8 Demonstration and training, as required by the *Contract Documents*, is scheduled by the *Contractor* acting reasonably.

12.1.2 If any prerequisites set forth in paragraphs 12.1.1.3 to 12.1.1.6 must be deferred because of conditions reasonably beyond the control of the *Contractor*, or by agreement between the *Owner* and the *Contractor* to do so, *Ready-for-Takeover* shall not be delayed.

12.1.3 When the *Contractor* considers that the *Work* is *Ready-for-Takeover*, the *Contractor* shall deliver to the *Consultant* and to the *Owner* a comprehensive list of items to be completed or corrected, together with a written application for *Ready-for-Takeover* for review. Failure to include an item on the list does not alter the responsibility of the *Contractor* to complete the *Contract*.

12.1.4 The *Consultant* will review the *Work* to verify the validity of the application and will promptly, and in any event, no later than 10 calendar days after receipt of the *Contractor's* list and application:

- .1 advise the *Contractor* in writing that the *Work* is not *Ready-for-Takeover* and give reasons why, or
- .2 confirm the date of *Ready-for-Takeover* in writing to each of the *Owner* and the *Contractor*.

12.1.5 Immediately following the confirmation of the date of *Ready-for-Takeover*, the *Contractor*, in consultation with the *Consultant*, shall establish a reasonable date for finishing the *Work*.

12.1.6 The provision of GC 12.1 – READY-FOR-TAKEOVER shall be subject to GC 12.2 – EARLY OCCUPANCY BY THE OWNER.

## **GC 12.2 EARLY OCCUPANCY BY THE OWNER**

12.2.1 The *Owner* may take occupancy of a part or the entirety of the *Work* before *Ready-for-Takeover* has been attained only as agreed by the *Contractor* which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

12.2.2 The *Owner* shall not occupy a part or the entirety of the *Work* without prior approval by authorities having jurisdiction.

12.2.3 If the *Owner* takes occupancy of a part of the *Work* before *Ready-for-Takeover* has been attained:

- .1 The part of the *Work* which is occupied shall be deemed to have been taken over by the *Owner* as from the date on which it is occupied.
- .2 The *Contractor* shall cease to be liable for the care of such part as from this date, when responsibility shall pass to the *Owner*.
- .3 The warranty period specified in paragraph 12.3.1 of GC 12.3 – WARRANTY for that part of the *Work* shall start from the date on which it is occupied.

12.2.4 If the *Owner* takes occupancy of the entirety of the *Work* before all the prerequisites are met as described in paragraph 12.1.1 of GC 12.1 – READY-FOR-TAKEOVER, the *Work* shall, subject to the requirements of the applicable lien legislation, be deemed to achieve *Ready-for-Takeover*. This shall not relieve the *Contractor*'s responsibility to complete the *Work* in a timely manner.

## **GC 12.3 WARRANTY**

12.3.1 Except for extended warranties as described in paragraph 12.3.6, the warranty period under the *Contract* is one year from the date when *Ready-for-Takeover* has been attained.

12.3.2 The *Contractor* shall be responsible for the proper performance of the *Work* to the extent that the design and *Contract Documents* permit such performance.

12.3.3 The *Owner*, through the *Consultant*, shall promptly give the *Contractor Notice in Writing* of observed defects and deficiencies which occur during the one year warranty period.

12.3.4 Subject to paragraph 12.3.2, the *Contractor* shall correct promptly, at the *Contractor*'s expense, defects or deficiencies in the *Work* which appear prior to and during the one year warranty period.

12.3.5 The *Contractor* shall correct or pay for damage resulting from corrections made under the requirements of paragraph 12.3.4.

12.3.6 Any extended warranties required beyond the one year warranty period as described in paragraph 12.3.1, shall be as specified in the *Contract Documents*. Extended warranties shall be issued by the warrantor to the benefit of the *Owner*. The *Contractor*'s responsibility with respect to extended warranties shall be limited to obtaining any such extended warranties from the warrantor. The obligations under such extended warranties are solely the responsibilities of the warrantor.

## **PART 13 INDEMNIFICATION AND WAIVER**

### **GC 13.1 INDEMNIFICATION**

13.1.1 Without restricting the parties' obligation to indemnify respecting toxic and hazardous substances, patent fees and defect in title claims all as described in paragraphs 13.1.4 and 13.1.5, the *Owner* and the *Contractor* shall each indemnify and hold harmless the other from and against all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings whether in respect to losses suffered by them or in respect to claims by third parties that arise out of, or are attributable in any respect to their involvement as parties to this *Contract*, provided such claims are:

- .1 caused by:
  - (1) the negligent acts or omissions of the party from whom indemnification is sought or anyone for whose negligent acts or omissions that party is liable, or
  - (2) a failure of the party to the *Contract* from whom indemnification is sought to fulfill its terms or conditions; and
- .2 made by *Notice in Writing* within a period of 6 years from the *Ready-for-Takeover* date or within such shorter period as may be prescribed by any limitation statute of the Province or Territory of the *Place of the Work*.

The parties expressly waive the right to indemnity for claims other than those provided for in this *Contract*.

- 13.1.2 The obligation of either party to indemnify as set forth in paragraph 13.1.1 shall be limited as follows:
- .1 In respect to losses suffered by the *Owner* and the *Contractor* for which insurance is to be provided by either party pursuant to GC 11.1 – INSURANCE, the minimum liability insurance limit for one occurrence, of the applicable insurance policy, as referred to in CCDC 41 in effect at the time of bid closing.
  - .2 In respect to losses suffered by the *Owner* and the *Contractor* for which insurance is not required to be provided by either party in accordance with GC 11.1 – INSURANCE, the greater of the *Contract Price* as recorded in Article A-4 – CONTRACT PRICE or \$2,000,000, but in no event shall the sum be greater than \$20,000,000.
  - .3 In respect to indemnification by a party against the other with respect to losses suffered by them, such obligation shall be restricted to direct loss and damage, and neither party shall have any liability to the other for indirect, consequential, punitive or exemplary damages.
  - .4 In respect to indemnification respecting claims by third parties, the obligation to indemnify is without limit.
- 13.1.3 The obligation of either party to indemnify the other as set forth in paragraphs 13.1.1 and 13.1.2 shall be inclusive of interest and all legal costs.
- 13.1.4 The *Owner* and the *Contractor* shall indemnify and hold harmless the other from and against all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings arising out of their obligations described in GC 9.2 – TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES.
- 13.1.5 The *Owner* shall indemnify and hold harmless the *Contractor* from and against all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings:
- .1 as described in paragraph 10.3.2 of GC 10.3 – PATENT FEES, and
  - .2 arising out of the *Contractor*'s performance of the *Contract* which are attributable to a lack of or defect in title or an alleged lack of or defect in title to the *Place of the Work*.
- 13.1.6 In respect to any claim for indemnity or to be held harmless by the *Owner* or the *Contractor*:
- .1 *Notice in Writing* of such claim shall be given within a reasonable time after the facts upon which such claim is based become known; and
  - .2 should any party be required as a result of its obligation to indemnify another to pay or satisfy a final order, judgment or award made against the party entitled by this contract to be indemnified, then the indemnifying party upon assuming all liability for any costs that might result shall have the right to appeal in the name of the party against whom such final order or judgment has been made until such rights of appeal have been exhausted.

## GC 13.2 WAIVER OF CLAIMS

- 13.2.1 Subject to any lien legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*, the *Contractor* waives and releases the *Owner* from all claims which the *Contractor* has or reasonably ought to have knowledge of that could be advanced by the *Contractor* against the *Owner* under the *Contract*, including, without limitation, those arising from negligence or breach of contract in respect to which the cause of action is based upon acts or omissions which occurred prior to or on the *Ready-for-Takeover* date, except as follows:
- .1 claims arising prior to or on the *Ready-for-Takeover* date for which *Notice in Writing* of claim has been received by the *Owner* from the *Contractor* no later than 5 calendar days before the expiry of the lien period provided by the lien legislation applicable at the *Place of the Work* or 20 calendar days following the *Ready-for-Takeover* date, whichever is later;
  - .2 indemnification for claims advanced against the *Contractor* by third parties for which a right of indemnification may be asserted by the *Contractor* against the *Owner* pursuant to the provisions of this *Contract*;
  - .3 claims respecting toxic and hazardous substances, patent fees and defect in title matters for which a right of indemnity could be asserted by the *Contractor* pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 13.1.4 or 13.1.5 of GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION; and
  - .4 claims resulting from acts or omissions which occur after the *Ready-for-Takeover* date.
- 13.2.2 The *Contractor* waives and releases the *Owner* from all claims resulting from acts or omissions which occurred after the *Ready-for-Takeover* date except for:
- .1 indemnification respecting third party claims, and claims respecting toxic and hazardous substances, patent fees and defect in title matters, all as referred in paragraphs 13.2.1.2 and 13.2.1.3; and
  - .2 claims for which *Notice in Writing* of claim has been received by the *Owner* from the *Contractor* within 395 calendar days following the *Ready-for-Takeover* date.
- 13.2.3 Subject to any lien legislation applicable to the *Place of the Work*, the *Owner* waives and releases the *Contractor* from all claims which the *Owner* has or reasonably ought to have knowledge of that could be advanced by the *Owner* against the *Contractor* under the *Contract*, including, without limitation, those arising from negligence or breach of contract in respect to which the cause of action is based upon acts or omissions which occurred prior to or on the *Ready-for-Takeover* date, except as follows:
- .1 claims arising prior to or on the *Ready-for-Takeover* date for which *Notice in Writing* of claim has been received by the *Contractor* from the *Owner* no later than 20 calendar days following the *Ready-for-Takeover* date;

- .2 indemnification for claims advanced against the *Owner* by third parties for which a right of indemnification may be asserted by the *Owner* against the *Contractor* pursuant to the provisions of this *Contract*;
  - .3 claims respecting toxic and hazardous substances for which a right of indemnity could be asserted by the *Owner* against the *Contractor* pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 13.1.4 of GC 13.1 – INDEMNIFICATION;
  - .4 damages arising from the *Contractor*'s actions which result in substantial defects or deficiencies in the *Work*. “Substantial defects or deficiencies” mean those defects or deficiencies in the *Work* which affect the *Work* to such an extent or in such a manner that a significant part or the whole of the *Work* is unfit for the purpose intended by the *Contract Documents*;
  - .5 claims arising pursuant to GC 12.3 – WARRANTY; and
  - .6 claims arising from acts or omissions which occur after the *Ready-for-Takeover* date.
- 13.2.4 Respecting claims arising upon substantial defects and deficiencies in the *Work*, as referenced in paragraph 13.2.3.4, and notwithstanding paragraph 13.2.3.5, the *Owner* waives and releases the *Contractor* from all claims except claims for which *Notice in Writing* of claim has been received by the *Contractor* from the *Owner* within a period of six years from the *Ready-for-Takeover* date, provided that any limitation statute of the Province or Territory of the *Place of the Work* permit such agreement. If the applicable limitation statute does not permit such agreement, the time within which any such claim may be brought shall be such shorter period as may be prescribed by any limitation statute of the Province or Territory of the *Place of the Work*.
- 13.2.5 The *Owner* waives and releases the *Contractor* from all claims arising from acts or omissions which occur after the *Ready-for-Takeover* date, except for:
- .1 indemnification for claims advanced against the *Owner* by third parties, as referenced in paragraph 13.2.3.2;
  - .2 claims respecting toxic and hazardous substances for which a right of indemnity could be asserted by the *Owner* against the *Contractor*, as referenced in paragraph 13.2.3.3;
  - .3 claims arising under GC 12.3 – WARRANTY; and
  - .4 claims for which *Notice in Writing* has been received by the *Contractor* from the *Owner* within 395 calendar days following the *Ready-for-Takeover* date.
- 13.2.6 “*Notice in Writing* of claim” as provided for in GC 13.2 – WAIVER OF CLAIMS to preserve a claim or right of action which would otherwise, by the provisions of GC 13.2 – WAIVER OF CLAIMS, be deemed to be waived, must include the following:
- .1 a clear and unequivocal statement of an intention to claim;
  - .2 a statement as to the nature of the claim and the grounds upon which the claim is based; and
  - .3 a statement of the estimated quantum of the claim.
- 13.2.7 A claim for lien asserted under the lien legislation prevailing at the *Place of the Work* shall qualify as notice of claim for the purposes of this *Contract*.
- 13.2.8 The party giving the *Notice in Writing* of claim as provided for in GC 13.2 – WAIVER OF CLAIMS shall submit within a reasonable time a detailed account of the amount claimed.
- 13.2.9 Where the event or series of events giving rise to a claim made under paragraphs 13.2.1 or 13.2.3 has a continuing effect, the detailed account submitted under paragraph 13.2.8 shall be considered to be an interim account and the party making the claim shall submit further interim accounts, at reasonable intervals, giving the accumulated amount of the claim and any further grounds upon which such claim is based. The party making the claim shall submit a final account after the end of the effects resulting from the event or series of events.
- 13.2.10 Nothing in GC 13.2 – WAIVER OF CLAIMS shall be deemed to affect the rights of the parties under any lien legislation or limitations legislation prevailing at the *Place of the Work*.

## CCDC 41 CCDC INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

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1. General liability insurance shall be with limits of not less than \$10,000,000 per occurrence, an aggregate limit of not less than \$10,000,000 within any policy year with respect to completed operations, and a deductible not exceeding \$10,000. The insurance coverage shall not be less than the insurance provided by IBC Form 2100 (including an extension for a standard provincial and territorial form of non-owned automobile liability policy) and IBC Form 2320. To achieve the desired limit, umbrella or excess liability insurance may be used. Subject to satisfactory proof of financial capability by the *Contractor*, the *Owner* may agree to increase the deductible amounts.
2. Automobile liability insurance in respect of vehicles that are required by law to be insured under a contract by a Motor Vehicle Liability Policy, shall have limits of not less than \$10,000,000 inclusive per occurrence for bodily injury, death and damage to property, covering all vehicles owned or leased by the *Contractor*. Where the policy has been issued pursuant to a government-operated automobile insurance system, the *Contractor* shall provide the *Owner* with confirmation of automobile insurance coverage for all automobiles registered in the name of the *Contractor*.
3. Manned Aircraft and watercraft liability insurance with respect to owned or non-owned aircraft and watercraft (if used directly or indirectly in the performance of the *Work*), including use of additional premises, shall have limits of not less than \$10,000,000 inclusive per occurrence for bodily injury, death and damage to property including loss of use thereof and limits of not less than \$10,000,000 for aircraft passenger hazard. Such insurance shall be in a form acceptable to the *Owner*.
4. Unmanned aerial vehicle liability insurance with respect to owned or non-owned aircraft (if used directly or indirectly in the performance of the *Work*), shall have limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence or accident for bodily injury, death and damage to property or such amounts as required by any applicable law or regulation.
5. "Broad form" property insurance shall have limits of not less than the sum of 1.1 times *Contract Price* and the full value, as stated in the *Contract*, of *Products* and design services that are specified to be provided by the *Owner* for incorporation into the *Work*, with a deductible not exceeding \$10,000. The insurance coverage shall not be less than the insurance provided by IBC Forms 4042 and 4047 or their equivalent replacement. Subject to satisfactory proof of financial capability by the *Contractor*, the *Owner* may agree to increase the deductible amounts.
6. Boiler and machinery insurance shall have limits of not less than the replacement value of the permanent or temporary boilers and pressure vessels, and other insurable objects forming part of the *Work*. The insurance coverage shall not be less than the insurance provided by a comprehensive boiler and machinery policy including hot testing and commissioning.
7. Contractors' equipment insurance coverage written on an "all risks" basis covering *Construction Equipment* used by the *Contractor* for the performance of the *Work*, shall be in a form acceptable to the *Owner* and shall not allow subrogation claims by the insurer against the *Owner*. Subject to satisfactory proof of financial capability by the *Contractor* for self-insurance, the *Owner* may agree to waive the equipment insurance requirement.
8. Contractors' Pollution liability insurance shall have limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, death and damage to property.

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### **Supplementary General Conditions**

These Supplementary General Conditions amend the attached Standard Construction Document – CCDC 2 – 2020 . Unaltered portions of CCDC-2 -2020 will remain in effect in the case a portion or an entire clause is modified or removed by these Supplementary General Conditions.

### **Under Definitions**

- Add a new definition: Total Amount Payable- The sum of items 1,2,3,4 in Schedule B , subject to adjustment ,if approved by the Owner, in keeping with actual operational hours, and in accordance with the provisions of the contract documents, plus HST.
- “Consultant” - Add at the end of the paragraph, “or if a consultant is not indicated or engaged for the project, all area’s in the CCDC 2020 where “consultant” is mentioned will be interchangeable with “owner”.

### **UNDER GENERAL CONTRACT**

- GC 3.5 SUPERVISION Page 12, add new clause 3.5.3 as follows: “3.5.3 The Owner may, at any time during the course of the Work, request the replacement of the appointed representative(s), where the grounds for the request involve conduct which jeopardizes the safety and/or security of the Site or the Owner’s operations. Immediately upon receipt of the request, the Contractor shall make arrangements to appoint a replacement acceptable to the Owner and Consultant.”
- In GC part 5, page 13, under 5.1, delete clauses 5.1.1 and 5.1.2