

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
UTILITY WORK BY HIGHWAY CONTRACTOR MASTER AGREEMENT
(AT UAO AND FDOT EXPENSE COMBINED)

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this 14th day of December, year of 2010 by and between the STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, hereinafter referred to as the "FDOT", and TEA, hereinafter referred to as the "UAO";

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the UAO owns, or may in the future own, certain utility facilities which are or may in the future be located on any public roads or publicly owned rail corridors, hereinafter referred to as the "Facilities" (said term shall be deemed to include utility facilities as the same may be relocated, adjusted, or placed out of service); and

WHEREAS, the FDOT, engages in projects which involve constructing, reconstructing, or otherwise changing public roads and other improvements located on public roads or publicly owned rail corridors, hereinafter referred to as either the "Project" or "Projects"; and

WHEREAS, the Projects may require the location (vertically and/or horizontally), protection, relocation, adjustment, or removal of the Facilities, or some combination thereof, hereinafter referred to as "Utility Work"; and

WHEREAS, the UAO, in accordance with and subject to the limitations of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, may be entitled to be reimbursed for some of the Utility Work and may, under the law of the State of Florida, be obligated to perform other Utility Work at the UAO's sole cost and expense; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT and the UAO have authority to enter into a joint agreement pursuant to Section 337.403(1)(b), Florida Statutes for the Utility Work to be accomplished by the FDOT's contractor as part of the construction of the Projects; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT and the UAO desire to enter into a master agreement which establishes the terms and conditions under which the Utility Work, both for Utility Work to be reimbursed and for Utility Work to be performed at the sole cost and expense of the UAO, will be performed by the FDOT's highway contractor for any particular project and eliminates the need for an individual agreement on each Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants contained herein, the FDOT and the UAO hereby agree as follows:

1. **Implementing Projects**

In the event that the FDOT determines that Utility Work may be necessary for any Project, the following procedure shall apply to implementing the arrangement to have the Utility Work performed by FDOT's highway contractor for that Project, provided that the UAO and the FDOT may mutually agree to combine or eliminate all or any portion of this procedure on any Project:

a. **First Contact.**

- (1) The FDOT shall send a written notice to the UAO specifying the applicable Project, offering to implement a joint arrangement for the project, providing the FDOT's then current plans for the Project, specifying the current percentages for the Allowances as defined in Subparagraph 3. d. that the FDOT requires at that time, and specifying the return date by which the UAO must comply with Subparagraphs 1.a.(2), (3) and (4).
- (2) The UAO shall, by the date specified by the FDOT in the written notice, respond in writing to the FDOT's offer to implement a joint arrangement, stating whether the UAO desires to implement a joint arrangement or not for the particular Project, specifying what Facilities the UAO does not want to include in the joint arrangement, specifying what inspection and testing activities the UAO desires to have the FDOT perform under Subparagraph 2.e., and specifying the desired method of deposit for funds paid by the UAO under Subparagraph 3.e. Deposits of less than \$100,000.00 must be pre-approved by the FDOT Comptroller's Office.

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- (3) In the event that the **UAO** timely indicates that it desires to implement a joint arrangement, the **UAO**, shall also return a copy of the **FDOT's** plans on which the location of the existing Facilities is marked or verified to **FDOT's** satisfaction. The **UAO** shall also mark which of the Facilities the **UAO** believes are reimbursable under this Agreement.
 - (4) If the **UAO** believes that the Utility Work is reimbursable under this Agreement, the **UAO** shall, by the date specified by the **FDOT** in the written notice, also return documentation of the basis for entitlement to reimbursement under the provisions of this Agreement, and a preliminary estimate of the cost for the Utility Work. Failure to timely return such documentation shall make the Utility Work not reimbursable.
 - (5) After receipt of the documents required by Subparagraphs 1. a. (2), (3) and (4), the **FDOT** shall send a notice to the **UAO** confirming the implementation of the joint arrangement, and confirming the **FDOT** acceptance of the items specified by the **UAO** under Subparagraph 1.a.(2) above.
 - (6) If the **UAO** fails to respond timely as required above or declines to implement a joint arrangement for the Project, or if the **FDOT** does not accept the items specified by the **UAO** specified under Subparagraph 1.a.(2), this Agreement shall no longer apply to the Utility Work for that Project and the Utility Work for that Project shall be performed under a separate arrangement.
- b. Second Contact.
- (1) After confirmation of the implementation by the **FDOT** pursuant to Subparagraph 1.a.(5) above, the **FDOT** shall, at the appropriate time, send a notice to the **UAO**, along with an updated set of plans for the Project, specifying the time and place of a mandatory utility meeting.
 - (2) A representative of the **UAO** familiar with the Project and the Facilities shall attend the meeting and be prepared to discuss the Project and the design for the Utility Work. The representative shall bring to the meeting a copy of the **FDOT's** updated plans marked with any existing Facilities not accurately shown thereon and marked with a preliminary Utility Work design concept.
- c. Third Contact.
- (1) After the mandatory utility meeting, the **FDOT** shall, at the appropriate time, send the **UAO**:
 - (a) Additional updated **FDOT** plans for the Project;
 - (b) The **FDOT's** then current Utility Work Schedule form (said schedule to be used in the case of a bid rejection);
 - (c) If the Utility Work is reimbursable, the **FDOT's** then current utility estimate summary form;
 - (d) If not previously provided, a notice verifying eligibility for reimbursement or verifying that the Utility Work is not reimbursable;
 - (e) A notice specifying the return date by which the **UAO** must comply with Subparagraph 1.c.(2);
 - (f) A notice specifying whether a utility permit will be required for the Utility Work;
 - (g) A notice verifying the version of the Utility Accommodation Manual that will apply to the Utility Work;
 - (h) A notice verifying the stages for the Plans Package review under Subparagraph 1.c.7.;
 - (i) The current form of Memorandum of Agreement for deposit of funds referred to in Subparagraph 3.e.;
 - (j) The instruction form then being used by the **FDOT** for providing direction in following this process; and
 - (k) Such other information the **FDOT** deems pertinent.
 - (2) Within the time frame specified in this third contact notice, the **UAO** shall return to the **FDOT** a final engineering design, plans, technical special provisions, a cost estimate, and a contingency Utility Work Schedule (said contingency schedule to be used in the case of a bid rejection) for the Utility

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Work (hereinafter referred to as the "Plans Package"). The cost estimate which is part of the Plans Package shall be separated into an amount for the Facilities which are reimbursable and those which are not.

- (3) The Plans Package shall be in the same format as the FDOT's contract documents for the Project and shall be suitable for reproduction.
- (4) Unless otherwise specifically directed in writing, the Plans Package shall include any and all activities and work effort required to perform the Utility Work, including but not limited to, all clearing and grubbing, survey work and shall include a traffic control plan.
- (5) The Plans Package shall be prepared in compliance with the FDOT's Utility Accommodation Manual and the FDOT's Plans Preparation Manual in effect at the time the Plans Package is prepared, and the FDOT's contract documents for the Project. If the FDOT's Plans Preparation Manual has been updated and conflicts with the Utility Accommodation Manual, the Utility Accommodation Manual shall apply where such conflicts exist.
- (6) The technical special provisions which are a part of the Plans Package shall be prepared in accordance with the FDOT's guidelines on preparation of technical special provisions and shall not duplicate or change the general contracting provisions of the FDOT's Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and any Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, or Developmental Specifications of the FDOT for the Project.
- (7) UAO shall provide a copy of the proposed Plans Package to the FDOT, and to such other right of way users as designated by the FDOT, for review at the following stages identified in the notices from the FDOT referenced above. Prior to submission of the proposed Plans Package for review at these stages, the UAO shall send the FDOT a work progress schedule explaining how the UAO will meet the FDOT's production schedule. The work progress schedule shall include the review stages, as well as other milestones necessary to complete the Plans Package within the time specified in Subparagraph 1.c.(2) above.
- (8) In the event that the FDOT finds any deficiencies in the Plans Package during the reviews performed pursuant to Subparagraph 1.c.(7) above, the FDOT will notify the UAO in writing of the deficiencies and the UAO will correct the deficiencies and return corrected documents within the time stated in the notice. The FDOT's review and approval of the documents shall not relieve the UAO from responsibility for subsequently discovered errors or omissions.
- (9) The FDOT shall furnish the UAO such information from the FDOT's files as requested by the UAO; however, the UAO shall at all times be and remain solely responsible for proper preparation of the Plans Package and for verifying all information necessary to properly prepare the Plans Package, including survey information as to the location (both vertical and horizontal) of the Facilities. The providing of information by the FDOT shall not relieve the UAO of this obligation nor transfer any of that responsibility to the FDOT.
- (10) The Facilities and the Utility Work will include all utility facilities of the UAO which are located within the limits of the Project, except as specifically indicated and agreed to by the parties in the notices referenced above. These exceptions shall be handled by separate arrangement.
- (11) The UAO shall fully cooperate with all other right of way users in the preparation of the Plans Package. Any conflicts that cannot be resolved through cooperation shall be resolved in the manner determined by the FDOT.

2. Performance of Utility Work

- a. The FDOT shall incorporate the Plans Package into its contract for construction of the Project.
- b. The FDOT shall procure a contract for construction of the Project in accordance with the FDOT's requirements.

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- c. If the portion of the bid of the contractor selected by the FDOT which is for performance of the portion of the Utility Work which is not reimbursable exceeds the FDOT's official estimate for that portion of the Utility Work by more than ten percent (10%) and the FDOT does not elect to participate in the cost of that portion of the Utility Work pursuant to Section 337.403(1)(b), Florida Statutes, the UAO may elect to have the Utility Work removed from the FDOT's contract by notifying the FDOT in writing within 5 days from the date that the UAO is notified of the bid amount. Unless this election is made, the Utility Work shall be performed as part of the Project by the FDOT's contractor.
- d. If the UAO elects to remove the Utility Work from the FDOT's contract in accordance with Subparagraph 2. c., the UAO shall perform the Utility Work separately pursuant to the terms and conditions of the FDOT's standard relocation agreement, the terms and conditions of which are incorporated herein for that purpose by this reference, and in accordance with the contingency relocation schedule which is a part of the Plans Package. The UAO shall proceed immediately with the Utility Work so as to cause no delay to the FDOT or the FDOT's contractor in constructing the Project.
- e. The UAO shall perform all engineering inspection, testing, and monitoring of the Utility Work to insure that it is properly performed in accordance with the Plans Package, except for the activities identified in the notices sent pursuant to Paragraph 1. to be performed by, or on behalf of the FDOT and will furnish the FDOT with daily diary records showing approved quantities and amounts for weekly, monthly, and final estimates in accordance with the format required by FDOT procedures.
- f. Except for the inspection, testing, monitoring and reporting to be performed by the UAO in accordance with Subparagraph 2. e., the FDOT will perform all contract administration for its construction contract.
- g. The UAO shall fully cooperate with the FDOT and the FDOT's contractor in all matters relating to the performance of the Utility Work.
- h. The FDOT's engineer has full authority over the Project and the UAO shall be responsible for coordinating and cooperating with the FDOT's engineer. In so doing, the UAO shall make such adjustments and changes in the Plans Package as the FDOT's engineer shall determine are necessary for the prosecution of the Project.
- i. The UAO shall not make any changes to the Plans Package after the date on which the FDOT's contract documents are mailed to Tallahassee for advertisement of the Project unless those changes fall within the categories of changes which are allowed by supplemental agreement to the FDOT's contract pursuant to Section 337.11, Florida Statutes. All changes, regardless of the nature of the change or the timing of the change, shall be subject to the prior approval of the FDOT.

3. Cost of Utility Work

- a. The Utility Work will be reimbursable under this Agreement when the Project is federal aid eligible pursuant to the provisions of Section 337.403(1)(a), Florida Statutes, when a written agreement incidental to a right-of-way acquisition process requires the FDOT to compensate the UAO for the costs of any subsequent relocation of the Facilities, or when the UAO holds a compensable land interest under Florida condemnation law in the existing location of the Facilities at the time of the Project. In any other circumstances, the Utility Work will be performed at the sole cost and expense of the UAO. Failure of the UAO to timely provide documentation of the basis for reimbursement as required by Subparagraph 1.a.(3) of this Agreement shall make the Utility Work not reimbursable.
- b. The UAO shall be responsible for all costs of the portion of Utility Work that is not reimbursable which the FDOT does not elect to participate in under Section 337.403(1)(b), Florida Statutes and all costs associated with any adjustments or changes to the Utility Work determined by the FDOT's engineer to be necessary, including, but

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not limited to the cost of changing the Plans Package and the increase in the cost of performing the Utility Work, unless the adjustments or changes are necessitated by an error or omission of the FDOT. The UAO shall not be responsible for the cost of delays caused by such adjustments or changes unless they are attributable to the UAO pursuant to Subparagraph 4.a.

- c. At such time as the FDOT prepares its official estimate, the FDOT shall notify the UAO of the amount of the official estimate for the Utility Work. Upon being notified of the official estimate, the UAO shall have five (5) working days within which to accept the official estimate for purposes of making deposits and for determining any possible contribution on the part of the FDOT to the cost of the Utility Work, or to elect to have the Utility Work removed from the FDOT's contract and performed separately pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in Subparagraph 2. d. hereof.
- d. At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date on which the FDOT advertises the Project for bids, the UAO will pay to the FDOT an amount equal to the portion of the FDOT's official estimate which is not reimbursable; plus the percentages established by the notice given under Subparagraph 1.a.(1) for mobilization of equipment for the Utility Work, additional maintenance of traffic costs for the Utility Work, and for administrative costs of field work, tabulation of quantities, Final Estimate processing and Project accounting (said three amounts for mobilization, maintenance of traffic and administrative costs to be hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Allowances"); plus 10% of the official estimate for a contingency fund to be used as hereinafter provided for changes to the Utility Work during the construction of the Project (the "Contingency Fund").
- e. Payment of the funds pursuant to this paragraph will be made directly to the FDOT for deposit into the State Transportation Trust Fund or as provided in the Memorandum of Agreement between UAO, FDOT and the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, Division of Treasury as specified in the notices provided pursuant to Paragraph 1.
- f. If the portion of the contractor's bid selected by the FDOT for performance of the Utility Work which is not reimbursable exceeds the amount of the deposit made pursuant to Subparagraph c. above, then subject to and in accordance with the limitations and conditions established by Subparagraph 2. c. hereof regarding FDOT participation in the cost of the Utility Work and the UAO's election to remove the Utility Work from the Project, the UAO shall, within fourteen (14) calendar days from notification from the FDOT or prior to posting of the accepted bid, whichever is earlier, pay an additional amount to the FDOT to bring the total amount paid to the total obligation of the UAO for the cost of the Utility Work which is not reimbursable, plus Allowances and 10% Contingency Fund. The FDOT will notify the UAO as soon as it becomes apparent the accepted bid amount plus allowances and contingency is in excess of the advance deposit amount; however, failure of the FDOT to so notify the UAO shall not relieve the UAO from its obligation to pay for its full share of project costs on final accounting as provided herein below. In the event that the UAO is obligated under this Subparagraph 3.f. to pay an additional amount and the additional amount that the UAO is obligated to pay does not exceed the Contingency Fund already on deposit, the UAO shall have sixty (60) calendar days from notification from the FDOT to pay the additional amount, regardless of when the accepted bid is posted.
- g. If the accepted bid amount plus allowances and contingency for the non-reimbursable Utility Work is less than the advance deposit amount, the FDOT will refund the amount that the advance deposit exceeds the bid amount plus allowances and contingency if such refund is requested by the UAO in writing and approved by the Comptroller of the FDOT or his designee.
- h. Should contract modifications occur that increase the UAO's share of total project costs, the UAO will be notified by the FDOT accordingly. The UAO agrees to provide, in advance of the additional work being performed, adequate funds to ensure that cash on deposit with the FDOT is sufficient to fully fund its share of the project costs. The FDOT shall notify the UAO as soon as it becomes apparent the actual costs will overrun the award amount; however, failure of the FDOT to so notify the UAO shall not relieve the UAO from its obligation to pay for its full share of project costs on final accounting as provided herein below.
- i. The FDOT may use the funds paid by the UAO for payment of the cost of the non-reimbursable Utility Work. The Contingency Fund may be used for increases in the cost of the non-reimbursable Utility Work which occur

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because of quantity overruns or because of adjustments or changes in the Utility Work made pursuant to Subparagraph 2. h. Prior to using any of the Contingency Fund, the FDOT will obtain the written concurrence of the person delegated that responsibility by written notice from the UAO. The delegatee shall respond immediately to all requests for written concurrence. If the delegatee refuses to provide written concurrence promptly and the FDOT determines that the work is necessary, the FDOT may proceed to perform the work and recover the cost thereof pursuant to the provisions of Section 337.403(3), Florida Statutes. In the event that the Contingency Fund is depleted, the UAO shall, within fourteen (14) calendar days from notification from the FDOT, pay to the FDOT an additional 10% of the total obligation of the UAO for the cost of the Utility Work established under Subparagraph 3. f. for future use as the Contingency Fund.

- j. Upon final payment to the Contractor, the FDOT intends to have its final and complete accounting of all costs incurred in connection with the work performed hereunder within three hundred sixty (360) days. All project cost records and accounts shall be subject to audit by a representative of the UAO for a period of three (3) years after final close out of the Project. The UAO will be notified of the final cost. Both parties agree that in the event the final accounting of total project costs pursuant to the terms of this agreement is less than the total deposits to date, a refund of the excess will be made by the FDOT to the UAO in accordance with Section 215.422, Florida Statutes. In the event said final accounting of total project costs is greater than the total deposits to date, the UAO will pay the additional amount within forty (40) calendar days from the date of the invoice. The UAO agrees to pay interest at a rate as established pursuant to Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, on any invoice not paid within the time specified in the preceding sentence until the invoice is paid.

4. Claims Against UAO

- a. The UAO shall be responsible for all costs incurred as a result of any delay to the FDOT or its contractors caused by errors or omissions in the Plans Package (including inaccurate location of the Facilities) or by failure of the UAO to properly perform its obligations under this Agreement in a timely manner.
- b. In the event the FDOT's contractor provides a notice of intent to make a claim against the FDOT relating to the Utility Work, the FDOT will notify the UAO of the notice of intent and the UAO will thereafter keep and maintain daily field reports and all other records relating to the intended claim.
- c. In the event the FDOT's contractor makes any claim against the FDOT relating to the Utility Work, the FDOT will notify the UAO of the claim and the UAO will cooperate with the FDOT in analyzing and resolving the claim within a reasonable time. Any resolution of any portion of the claim directly between the UAO and the FDOT's contractor shall be in writing, shall be subject to written FDOT concurrence, and shall specify the extent to which it resolves the claim against the FDOT.
- d. The FDOT may withhold payment of surplus funds to the UAO until final resolution (including any actual payment required) of all claims relating to the Utility Work. The right to withhold shall be limited to actual claim payments made by the FDOT to the FDOT's contractor.

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5. Out of Service Facilities

No Facilities shall be left in place on FDOT's Right of Way after the Facilities are no longer active (hereinafter "Placed out of service/Deactivated") unless specifically identified as such in the Plans. The following terms and conditions shall apply to Facilities Placed out of service/Deactivated, but only to said Facilities Placed out of service/Deactivated:

- a. The UAO acknowledges its present and continuing ownership of and responsibility for Facilities Placed out of service/Deactivated.
- b. The FDOT agrees to allow the UAO to leave the Facilities within the right of way subject to the continuing satisfactory performance of the conditions of this Agreement by the UAO. In the event of a breach of this Agreement by the UAO, the Facilities shall be removed upon demand from the FDOT in accordance with the provisions of Subparagraph 5. e. below.
- c. The UAO shall take such steps to secure the Facilities and otherwise make the Facilities safe in accordance with any and all applicable local, state or federal laws and regulations and in accordance with the legal duty of the UAO to use due care in its dealings with others. The UAO shall be solely responsible for gathering all information necessary to meet these obligations.
- d. The UAO shall keep and preserve all records relating to the Facilities, including, but not limited to, records of the location, nature of, and steps taken to safely secure the Facilities and shall promptly respond to information requests concerning the Facilities that are Placed out of service/Deactivated of the FDOT or other permittees using or seeking use of the right of way.
- e. The UAO shall remove the Facilities upon 30 days prior written request of the FDOT in the event that the FDOT determines that removal is necessary for FDOT use of the right of way or in the event that the FDOT determines that use of the right of way is needed for other active utilities that cannot be otherwise accommodated in the right of way. In the event that the Facilities that are Placed out of Service/Deactivated would not have qualified for reimbursement under this Agreement, removal shall be at the sole cost and expense of the UAO and without any right of the UAO to object or make any claim of any nature whatsoever with regard thereto. In the event that the Facilities that are Placed out of service/Deactivated would have qualified for reimbursement only under Section 337.403 (1)(a), Florida Statutes, removal shall be at the sole cost and expense of the UAO and without any right of the UAO to object or make any claim of any nature whatsoever with regard thereto because such a removal would be considered to be a separate future relocation not necessitated by the construction of the project pursuant to which they were Placed out of service/Deactivated, and would therefore not be eligible and approved for reimbursement by the Federal Government. In the event that the Facilities that are Placed out of service/Deactivated would have qualified for reimbursement for other reasons, removal of the out of service Facilities shall be reimbursed by the FDOT as though the Facilities had not been Placed out of service/Deactivated. Removal shall be completed within the time specified in the FDOT's notice to remove. In the event that the UAO fails to perform the removal properly within the specified time, the FDOT may proceed to perform the removal at the UAO's expense pursuant to the provisions of Sections 337.403 and 337.404, Florida Statutes.
- f. Except as otherwise provided in Subparagraph e. above, the UAO agrees that the Facilities shall forever remain the legal and financial responsibility of the UAO. The UAO shall reimburse the FDOT for any and all costs of any nature whatsoever resulting from the presence of the Facilities within the right of way. Said costs shall include, but shall not be limited to, charges or expenses which may result from the future need to remove the Facilities or from the presence of any hazardous substance or material in the Facilities or the discharge of hazardous substances or materials from the Facilities. Nothing in this paragraph shall be interpreted to require the UAO to indemnify the FDOT for the FDOT's own negligence; however, it is the intent that all other costs and expenses of any nature be the responsibility of the UAO.

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6. Default

- a. In the event that the UAO breaches any provision of this Agreement, then in addition to any other remedies which are otherwise provided for in this Agreement, the FDOT may exercise one or more of the following options, provided that at no time shall the FDOT be entitled to receive double recovery of damages:
- (1) Terminate this Agreement if the breach is material and has not been cured within 60 days from written notice thereof from FDOT.
 - (2) Pursue a claim for damages suffered by the FDOT.
 - (3) If the Utility Work is reimbursable under this Agreement, withhold reimbursement payments until the breach is cured. The right to withhold shall be limited to actual claim payments made by FDOT to third parties.
 - (4) If the Utility Work is reimbursable under this Agreement, offset any damages suffered by the FDOT or the public against payments due under this Agreement for the same Project. The right to offset shall be limited to actual claim payments made by FDOT to third parties.
 - (5) Suspend the issuance of further permits to the UAO for the placement of Facilities on FDOT property if the breach is material and has not been cured within 60 days from written notice thereof from FDOT until such time as the breach is cured.
 - (6) Pursue any other remedies legally available.
 - (7) Perform any work with its own forces or through contractors and seek repayment for the cost thereof under Section 337.403(3), Florida Statutes.
- b. In the event that the FDOT breaches any provision of this Agreement, then in addition to any other remedies which are otherwise provided for in the Agreement, the UAO may exercise one or more of the following options:
- (1) Terminate this Agreement if the breach is material and has not been cured within 60 days from written notice thereof from the UAO.
 - (2) If the breach is a failure to pay an invoice for Utility Work which is reimbursable under this Agreement, pursue any statutory remedies that the UAO may have for failure to pay invoices.
 - (3) Pursue any other remedies legally available.
- c. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either party from any obligations it has pursuant to other agreements between the parties nor from any statutory obligations that either party may have with regard to the subject matter hereof.

7. Indemnification

FOR GOVERNMENT-OWNED UTILITIES,

To the extent provided by law, the UAO shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the FDOT and all of its officers, agents, and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of any acts, action, error, neglect, or omission by the UAO, its agents, employees, or contractors during the performance of the Agreement, whether direct or indirect, and whether to any person or property to which FDOT or said parties may be subject, except that neither the UAO, its agents, employees, or contractors will be liable under this section for damages arising out of the injury or damage to persons or property directly caused by or resulting from the negligence of the FDOT or any of its officers, agents, or employees during the performance of this Agreement. When the FDOT receives a notice of claim for damages that may have been caused by the UAO in the performance of services required under this Agreement, the FDOT will immediately forward the claim to the UAO. The UAO and the FDOT will evaluate the claim and report their findings to each other within fourteen (14) working

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days and will jointly discuss options in defending the claim. After reviewing the claim, the FDOT will determine whether to require the participation of the UAO in the defense of the claim or to require the UAO to defend the FDOT in such claim as described in this section. The FDOT's failure to notify the UAO of a claim shall not release the UAO from any of the requirements of this section. The FDOT and the UAO will pay their own costs for the evaluation, settlement negotiations, and trial, if any. However, if only one party participates in the defense of the claim at trial, that party is responsible for all costs.

FOR NON-GOVERNMENT-OWNED UTILITIES,

The UAO shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the FDOT and all of its officers, agents, and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of any acts, action, error, neglect, or omission by the UAO, its agents, employees, or contractors during the performance of the Agreement, whether direct or indirect, and whether to any person or property to which FDOT or said parties may be subject, except that neither the UAO, its agents, employees, or contractors will be liable under this section for damages arising out of the injury or damage to persons or property directly caused by or resulting from the negligence of the FDOT or any of its officers, agents, or employees during the performance of this Agreement.

The UAO's obligation to indemnify, defend, and pay for the defense or at the FDOT's option, to participate and associate with the FDOT in the defense and trial of any damage claim or suit and any related settlement negotiations, shall arise within fourteen (14) days of receipt by the UAO of the FDOT's notice of claim for indemnification to the UAO. The notice of claim for indemnification shall be served by certified mail. The UAO's obligation to defend and indemnify within fourteen (14) days of such notice shall not be excused because of the UAO's inability to evaluate liability or because the UAO evaluates liability and determines the UAO is not liable or determines the FDOT is solely negligent. Only a final adjudication or judgment finding the FDOT solely negligent shall excuse performance of this provision by the UAO. The UAO shall pay all costs and fees related to this obligation and its enforcement by the FDOT. The FDOT's delay in notifying the UAO of a claim shall not release UAO of the above duty to defend.

8. Force Majeure

Neither the UAO nor the FDOT shall be liable to the other for any failure to perform under this Agreement to the extent such performance is prevented by an act of God, war, riots, natural catastrophe, or other event beyond the control of the non-performing party and which could not have been avoided or overcome by the exercise of due diligence; provided that the party claiming the excuse from performance has (a) promptly notified the other party of the occurrence and its estimated duration, (b) promptly remedied or mitigated the effect of the occurrence to the extent possible, and (c) resumed performance as soon as possible.

9. Miscellaneous

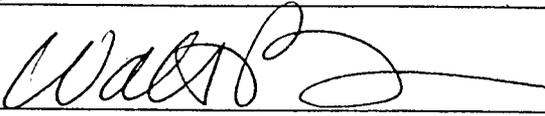
- a. If the Utility Work is reimbursable under this Agreement, the UAO shall fully comply with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and any subsequent revisions thereto in connection with the Utility Work covered by this Agreement, and such compliance will be governed by one of the following methods as determined at the time of the issuance of the work order:
- (1) The UAO will perform all or part of such Utility Work by a contractor paid under a contract let by the UAO, and the Appendix "A" of Assurances transmitted with the issued work order will be included in said contract let by the UAO.
 - (2) The UAO will perform all of its Utility Work entirely with UAO's forces, and Appendix "A" of Assurances is not required.
 - (3) The Utility Work involved is agreed to by way of just compensation for the taking of the UAO's facilities on right-of-way in which the UAO holds a compensable interest, and Appendix "A" of Assurances is not required.
 - (4) The UAO will perform all such Utility Work entirely by continuing contract, which contract to perform all future Utility Work was executed with the UAO's contractor prior to August 3, 1965, and Appendix

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(AT UAO AND FDOT EXPENSE COMBINED)

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

UTILITY: JEA

BY: (Signature) 

DATE: 11/14/07

(Typed Name: WALTER P. BUSSETT, MANAGING DIRECTOR)

(Typed Title: _____)

Recommend Approval by the State Utility Engineer

BY: (Signature) 

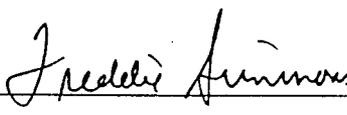
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FDOT Legal review

BY: (Signature) 
District Counsel

DATE: 11-30-00

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BY: (Signature) 

DATE: 12/5/00

(Typed Name: Freddie Simmons)

(Typed Title: State Highway Engineer)

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (if applicable)

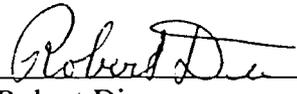
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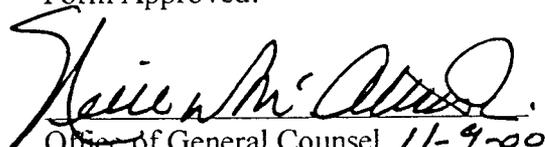
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(Typed Name: _____)

(Typed Title: _____)

I hereby certify that the expenditure contemplated by the foregoing contract has been duly authorized, and provision has been made for the payment of the monies provided therein to be paid.


Robert Dix
Controller
JEA

Form Approved:

Office of General Counsel 11-9-00