



## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT AWARDS / CONTRACTS / GRANTS

☐ Award ☒ Contract ☐ Grant

Requested Board Meeting Date: 12/05/23

*\* = Mandatory, information must be provided*

or Procurement Director Award: ☐

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**\*Contractor/Vendor Name/Grantor (DBA):**

Arizona Communication Experts, Inc. (Headquarters: Tucson, AZ)

**\*Project Title/Description:**

Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24)

**\*Purpose:**

Award: Contract No. CT-IT-24-246. This award is recommended to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder in the amount of \$953,809.00 for a contract term of 12/05/23 to 08/05/24 for the construction of the Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection. Administering Department: Information Technology.

**\*Procurement Method:**

Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. IFB-PO-2400030 was conducted in accordance with A.R.S. §34-201 and Pima County Procurement Code 11.12.010. Three (3) responses were received. Due to ARPA federal funding, no goal for participation by Small Business Enterprises (SBE) was established for this project.

Attachments: Notice of Recommendation for Award, Contract and Risk Management Approval.

**\*Program Goals/Predicted Outcomes:**

Installation of a new 144SM count fiber optic cable and infrastructure, originating at 1750 E. Benson Highway and terminating at 6550 S. Country Club Road.

**\*Public Benefit:**

This fiber optic cable project will install a County owned fiber connection to the Pima County Election Building and provide infrastructure to install a future redundant connection to the Pima County Sheriff's Department Headquarters Building.

**\*Metrics Available to Measure Performance:**

Power Meter and Optical Time Domain Reflectometer (OTDR) test results will certify the fiber optic cable performance upon construction completion. Contractor performance will be measured by contractor evaluation process as outlined in BOS Policy D29.1 (E).

**\*Retroactive:**

No.

**THE APPLICABLE SECTION(S) BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED**

Click or tap the boxes to enter text. If not applicable, indicate "N/A". Make sure to complete mandatory (\*) fields

**Contract / Award Information**

Document Type: CT Department Code: IT Contract Number (i.e., 15-123): 24-246  
 Commencement Date: 12/05/23 Termination Date: 08/05/24 Prior Contract Number (Synergen/CMS): \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Expense Amount \$ 953,809.00 \* ☐ Revenue Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Funding Source(s) required:** American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Funding from General Fund? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes \$ \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_

Contract is fully or partially funded with Federal Funds? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, is the Contract to a vendor or subrecipient? Vendor

Were insurance or indemnity clauses modified? ☒ Yes ☒ No NC  
 If Yes, attach Risk's approval.

Vendor is using a Social Security Number? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 If Yes, attach the required form per Administrative Procedure 22-10.

**Amendment / Revised Award Information**

Document Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Number (i.e., 15-123): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amendment No.: \_\_\_\_\_ AMS Version No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commencement Date: \_\_\_\_\_ New Termination Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prior Contract No. (Synergen/CMS): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Expense ☐ Revenue ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease Amount This Amendment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Is there revenue included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Funding Source(s) required:** \_\_\_\_\_

Funding from General Fund? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_

**Grant/Amendment Information** (for grants acceptance and awards)

☐ Award ☐ Amendment

Document Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Grant Number (i.e., 15-123): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commencement Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Termination Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Match Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Revenue Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*All Funding Source(s) required:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Match funding from General Fund?** ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Match funding from other sources?** ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Funding Source:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*If Federal funds are received, is funding coming directly from the Federal government or passed through other organization(s)?**

Contact: Procurement Officer: James Johnson Digitally signed by James Johnson Date: 2023.11.16 11:07:43 -07'00' Acting Division Manager: Judy Cooper Digitally signed by Judy Cooper Date: 2023.11.16 11:50:56 -07'00'

Department: Procurement Director: Terri Spencer Digitally signed by Terri Spencer Date: 2023.11.16 13:39:09 -07'00' Telephone: 520.724.7465

Department Director Signature: Javier Baca Digitally signed by Javier Baca Date: 2023.11.16 15:05:54 -07'00'

Deputy County Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 11-16-2023

County Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 11-16-2023



## **NOTICE OF RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD**

Date of Issue: November 15, 2023

The Pima County Procurement Department hereby issues formal notice to respondents to Solicitation No. **IFB-PO-2400030 for Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24)** that the following listed respondent will be recommended for award as indicated below. The award action is scheduled to be performed by the Board of Supervisors on or after December 5, 2023.

Award is recommended to the lowest, responsive and responsible Bidder.

<b><u>AWARDEE</u></b>	<b><u>BID AMOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>AWARD AMOUNT</u></b>
Arizona Communication Experts, Inc.	\$953,809.00	\$953,809.00

<b><u>OTHER RESPONDENTS</u></b>	<b><u>BID AMOUNT</u></b>
R Directional Drilling & Underground Technology, Inc.	\$1,551,655.00
Sorensen Companies LLC	\$2,193,000.00

Engineer's Estimate: \$2,135,818.50

Issued by: /s/ James Johnson Procurement Officer

Telephone Number: 520-724-7465

This notice is in compliance with Pima County Procurement Code §11.12.010(C) and §11.20.010(C).

Copy to: Pima County SBE via e-mail at SBE@pima.gov

**PIMA COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT**

**PROJECT:** Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24)

**CONTRACTOR:** Arizona Communication Experts, Inc.  
4420 N. Highway Drive  
Tucson, AZ 85705

**CONTRACT NO.:** CT-IT-24-246

**AMOUNT:** \$953,809.00

**FUNDING:** American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

**CONSTRUCTION SERVICES CONTRACT**

**1. Parties, Background and Purpose.**

- 1.1. Parties. This Contract is entered into between Pima County, a body politic and corporate of the State of Arizona, hereafter called County, and Arizona Communication Experts, Inc., hereinafter called Contractor, and collectively referred to as the Parties.
- 1.2. Authority. County requires, consistent with the provisions of A.R.S. Title 34, the services of a Contractor to provide all equipment, labor, and materials required to construct the Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24) ("Project").
- 1.3. Solicitation. County previously issued Solicitation No. IFB-PO-2400030 for Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24) (the Solicitation). Contractor submitted the low responsive, responsible bid in response to the Solicitation for said work and is qualified and willing to provide such services.

**2. Term and Extension/Renewal/Changes.**

- 2.1. Initial Term. This Contract, as approved by the Board of Supervisors, commences on December 5, 2023, and terminates on August 5, 2024, unless sooner terminated or further extended pursuant to the provisions of this Contract.
- 2.2. Construction Completion. Construction completion time for the work to be performed under this Contract will be **244** calendar days after the date of Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages will be assessed based upon the construction completion time.
- 2.3. Extension Options. County has the option to extend the contract termination date for purposes of project completion. Any modification or extension of the contract termination date must be by formal written amendment executed by the Parties.

**3. Scope of Services.** Contractor will provide County all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the project as described in the Construction Documents prepared by Pima County Information Technology Department, included in the bid documents in Pima County Solicitation No. IFB-PO-2400030, Exhibit A – Bid for Fixed Price Construction Contract (1 page), Exhibit B - General Conditions (10 pages), Exhibit C – Supplemental Provisions for Federal Contracts (3 pages) and other documents incorporated into this contract.

#### 4. Compensation and Payment.

4.1 Compensation. County will pay Contractor as specified.

4.1.1 Invoices. Contractor will provide detailed documentation in support of requested payment. Contractor must cite the Contract number on all invoices. Payments will be made in accordance with A.R.S. § 34-221.

4.1.1.1 For the period of record retention required under Section 24, County reserves the right to question any payment made under this Article and to require reimbursement by setoff or otherwise for payments determined to be improper or contrary to the Contract or law.

4.1.2 Price. Total payment for this Contract will not exceed \$953,809.00. Payment for this Contract will be made based on Exhibit A - Bid for Fixed Price Construction Contract (1 Page) submitted by Contractor in response to Solicitation No. IFB-PO-2400030 for the Total Bid amount.

4.1.3 Work Performed. Contractor will not perform work in excess of the contract amount without prior authorization by an amendment executed by the Parties. Work performed in excess of the contract amount without prior authorization by amendment is at Contractor's own risk.

5. **Insurance.** The Insurance Requirements herein are minimum requirements for this Contract and in no way limit the indemnity covenants contained in this Contract.

5.1. Ratings. Contractor's insurance shall be placed with companies licensed in the State of Arizona and the insureds shall have an "A.M. Best" rating of not less than A- VII. County in no way warrants that the minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect the Contractor from potential insurer insolvency.

5.2. Insurance Coverages and Limits.

5.2.1. Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance: Contractor will procure and maintain at its own expense insurance policies (the "Required Insurance") satisfying the below requirements (the "Insurance Requirements") until all of its obligations under this Contract have been met. The below Insurance Requirements are minimum requirements for this Contract and in no way limit Contractor's indemnity obligations under this Contract. County in no way warrants that the required insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities that may arise from or relate to this Contract. If necessary, Contractor may obtain commercial umbrella or excess insurance to satisfy the Insurance Requirements.

5.2.1.1. Commercial General Liability (CGL) – Occurrence Form with limits of \$2,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 General Aggregate. Policy will include bodily injury, property damage, and broad form contractual liability coverage, personal and advertising injury and products – completed operations.

5.2.1.2. Business Automobile Liability – Bodily Injury and Property Damage for any owned, hired, and/or non-owned automobiles used in the performance of this Contract with a Combined Single Limit (CSL) of \$1,000,000 each accident.

5.2.1.3. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability - Statutory requirements and benefits for Workers' Compensation. In Arizona, WC coverage is compulsory for employers of one or more employees. Employer's Liability coverage- \$1,000,000 each accident and each person - disease.

5.2.1.4. Builder's Risk Insurance – Insurance applies to this contract. Contractor is required to maintain throughout the course of construction Builder's Risk Insurance in a dollar amount equal to the full insurable value under contract, which shall include "All Risk" coverage. Pima County shall be named as a "Loss Payee". Contractor is responsible for equipment, materials, and supplies until completion of the project and acceptance by County.

5.2.1.5. Claims-Made Coverage. Claim-Made Insurance Coverage - If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims-made basis, any policy retroactive date must precede the effective date of this Contract, and Contractor must maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

5.3. Additional Insurance Requirements:

The policies will include, or be endorsed to include, as required by this written agreement, the following provisions:

5.3.1. Additional Insured: The General Liability and Business Automobile Liability Policies shall each be endorsed to include Pima County, its departments, districts, boards, commissions, officers, officials, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by or on behalf of Contractor.

5.3.2. Subrogation: The General Liability, Business Automobile Liability and Workers' Compensation Policies shall each contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of County, its departments, districts, boards, commissions, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of Contractor.

5.3.3. Primary Insurance: The Contractor's policies shall stipulate that the insurance afforded the Contractor shall be primary and that any insurance carried by County, its agents, officials, or employees shall be excess and not contributory insurance.

5.3.4. Insurance provided by Contractor shall not limit Contractor's liability assumed under the indemnification provisions of this Contract.

5.4. Notice of Cancellation:

Each Required Insurance policy must provide, and certificates specify, County will receive not less than 30 days advance written notice of any policy cancellation, except 10-days prior notice is sufficient when the cancellation is for non-payment of a premium. Notice shall include the County project or contract number and project description.

5.5. Verification of Coverage:

Contractor will furnish County with certificates of insurance as required by this Contract. An authorized representative of the insurer will sign the certificates.

5.5.1. All certificates and endorsements, as required by this Contract, are to be received and approved by County before work commences. Each insurance policy required by this Contract must be in effect at, or prior to, commencement of work under this Contract. Failure to maintain the insurance coverages or policies as required by this Contract, or to provide evidence of renewal, is a material breach of contract.

5.5.2. All certificates required by this Contract shall be sent directly to the appropriate County Department. The Certificate of Insurance shall include County project or contract number and project description on the certificate. County reserves the right to require complete copies of all insurance policies required by this Contract at any time.

5.6. Approval and Modifications:

The Pima County Risk Manager may modify the Insurance Requirements at any point during the Term of this Contract. This can be done administratively, with written notice from the Risk Manager and does not require a formal Contract amendment. Neither the County's failure to obtain a required insurance certificate or endorsement, the County's failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, nor the County's receipt of any other information from the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), constitutes a waiver of any of the Insurance Requirements.

6. **Indemnification.**

- 6.1. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Pima County and any related taxing district, and the officials and employees of each of them (collectively, "Indemnatee") from and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, losses, and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) (collectively, "Claims") arising out of actual or alleged injury of any person (including death) or loss or damage to tangible or intangible property caused, or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by any act or omission of Contractor or any of Contractor's directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, or subcontractor. This indemnity includes any claim or amount arising or recovered under the Workers' Compensation Law or arising out of the failure of Contractor to conform to any federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation or court decree. The Indemnatee will, in all instances, except for Claims arising solely from the acts or omissions of the Indemnatee, be indemnified by Contractor from and against any and all Claims. Contractor is responsible for primary loss investigation, defense and judgment costs for any Claim to which this indemnity applies. This indemnity will survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.
- 6.2. All warranty and indemnification obligations under this contract shall survive expiration or termination of the Contract, unless expressly provided otherwise. The Parties agree that any indemnification provision inconsistent with A.R.S. § 34-226 is, in all cases, not void, but will be interpreted and applied as if it were consistent with A.R.S. § 34-226.
- 6.3. Upon request, Contractor may fully indemnify and hold harmless any private property owner granting a right of entry to Contractor for the purpose of completing the project.

7. **Laws and Regulations.**

- 7.1. Compliance with Laws. Contractor will comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, standards and Executive Orders, without limitation to those designated within this Contract.
- 7.2. Choice of Law; Venue. The laws and regulations of the State of Arizona govern the rights of the parties, the performance of this Contract, and any disputes hereunder. Any action relating to this Contract will be brought and maintained in Superior Court in Pima County.
- 7.3. Licensing. Contractor warrants that it is appropriately licensed to provide the services under this Contract.

8. **Status of Independent Contractor.** Contractor is an independent Contractor. Neither Contractor, nor any of Contractor's officers, agents or employees will be considered an employee of Pima County for any purpose or be entitled to receive any employment-related benefits, or assert any protections, under the Pima County Merit System. Contractor is responsible for paying all federal, state and local taxes on the compensation received by Contractor under this Contract and will indemnify and hold County harmless from any and all liability that County may incur because of Contractor's failure to pay such taxes.

9. **Contractor/Subcontractor Performance.**

- 9.1. Performance. Contractor will perform the work with the degree of care and skill which a licensed contractor in Arizona would exercise under similar conditions. Contractor will employ suitably trained and skilled personnel to perform all required services under this Contract. Prior to changing any key

personnel, especially those key personnel County relied upon in making this Contract, Contractor will obtain County's approval.

- 9.2. **Responsibility.** Contractor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion, and the coordination of all its effort and other services furnished by Contractor under this Contract. Without additional compensation, Contractor will correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in all products of its efforts and other services provided. This includes resolving any deficiencies arising out of the acts or omissions of Contractor found during or after the course of the services performed by or for Contractor under this Contract, regardless of County having knowledge of or condoning or accepting the products or the services. Correction of such deficiencies will be at no cost to County.
- 9.3. **Subcontractor License.** Contractor will ensure that all Subcontractors have the appropriate and current license issued by the Arizona Registrar of Contractors for work they perform under this Contract. Contractor will not permit any Subcontractor to perform work that does not fall within the scope of the Subcontractor's license, except as may be permitted under the rules of the Registrar of Contractors.
- 9.4. **Subcontractor Acts and Omissions.** Contractor will be fully responsible for all acts and omissions of its Subcontractor(s) and of persons directly or indirectly employed by Subcontractor and of persons for whose acts any of them may be liable to the same extent that Contractor is responsible for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by it. Nothing in this Contract creates any obligation on the part of County to pay any Subcontractor, except as may be required by law.
- 9.5. **Subcontractor List.** Contractor must use the Subcontractor's named on Contractor's Subcontractor List submitted with the bid. No Subcontractor may be added or changed without the prior written approval of County subsequent to review and approval by the Administering Department Director and Procurement Director. Substitution of non-SBE Subcontractors may be approved at the discretion of County for reasons including but not limited to, availability, insolvency or any other reason deemed to be in the best interest of County. Approval for substitution of SBE Subcontractors that are listed on the Bidders Statement of Proposed SBE Utilization submitted with the bid will only be granted if the provisions of Section 20.28.050 of the Pima County Code have been met.
10. **Assignment.** Contractor will not assign its rights or obligations under this Contract in whole or in part, without County's prior written approval. County may withhold approval at its sole discretion.
11. **Non-Discrimination.** Contractor will comply with all provisions and requirements of Arizona Executive Order 2009-09, which is hereby incorporated into this contract, including flow-down of all provisions and requirements to any Subcontractors. During the performance of this Contract, Contractor will not discriminate against any employee, client or any other individual in any way because of that person's age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, disability or national origin.
12. **Americans with Disabilities Act.** Contractor will comply with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (Public Law 110-325, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213) and the federal regulations for Title II (28 CFR Part 35).
13. **Authority to Contract.** Contractor warrants its right and power to enter into this Contract. If any court or administrative agency determines that County does not have authority to enter into this Contract, County will not be liable to Contractor or any third party by reason of such determination or by reason of this Contract.
14. **Non-Waiver.** The failure of County to insist in any one or more instances upon full and complete compliance with any of the terms and provisions of this Contract or to take any action permitted as a result thereof is not a waiver or relinquishment of the right to insist upon full and complete performance of the same or any other covenant or condition either in the past or in the future. The acceptance by either party of sums less than may be due and owing it at any time is not an accord and satisfaction.
15. **Cancellation for Conflict of Interest.** This Contract is subject to cancellation for conflict of interest pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, the pertinent provisions of which are incorporated into this Contract by reference.



**16. Termination of Contract for Default.**

16.1. Upon a failure by Contractor to cure a default under this Contract within 10 days of receipt of notice from County of the default, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Contract for default by written notice to Contractor. In this event, County may take over the work and complete it by Contract or otherwise. Contractor and its sureties, if any, will be liable for any damage to County resulting from Contractor's default, including any increased costs incurred by County in completing the work.

16.2. Default Events. The following constitutes an event of default:

- 16.2.1. Abandonment of or refusal or failure to prosecute the work or any separable part thereof with the diligence that will insure completion within the time specified in this Contract, including any extension, or a failure to complete the work (or the separable part of the work) within the specified time;
- 16.2.2. Persistent or repeated refusal or failure to supply enough properly skilled workers or materials to perform the work on schedule;
- 16.2.3. Failure to provide competent supervision at the site;
- 16.2.4. Failure to take down, rebuild, repair, alter or amend any defective or deficient work, or to remove any defective or deficient material;
- 16.2.5. Failure to make prompt payment to Subcontractors or suppliers for material or labor;
- 16.2.6. Loss of Contractor's business or other required license or authority, or any curtailment or cessation for any reason of business or business operations that would substantially impair or preclude Contractor's performance of this Contract;
- 16.2.7. Disregard of laws, ordinances, or the instructions of County or its representatives, or any otherwise substantial violation of any provision of the Contract; or
- 16.2.8. If a voluntary or involuntary action for bankruptcy is commenced with respect to Contractor, or Contractor becomes insolvent, makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or has a receiver or liquidator appointed in respect of its assets.

16.3. Termination. In the event of a termination for default:

- 16.3.1. All finished and unfinished as-builts, shop drawings, documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, photographs, reports and other information in whatever form, including electronic, acquired or prepared by Contractor for this project become County's property and will be delivered to County not later than five business days after the effective date of the termination;
- 16.3.2. County may withhold payments to Contractor arising under this or any other Contract for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damage due County from Contractor is determined; and
- 16.3.3. Subject to the immediately preceding subparagraph 16.3.2, County's liability to Contractor will not exceed the reasonable value of work satisfactorily performed prior to the date of termination for which payment has not been previously made.

16.4. Non-Termination. County will not terminate the Contract for default or charge Contractor with damages under this Article if:

- 16.4.1. Except for subparagraph 16.2.8 in subsection 16.2 above, the event of default or delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Contractor. Examples of such causes include:

- 16.4.1.1. Acts of God or of the public enemy,
- 16.4.1.2. Acts of County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity,
- 16.4.1.3. Acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with County,
- 16.4.1.4. Fires,
- 16.4.1.5. Floods,
- 16.4.1.6. Epidemics,
- 16.4.1.7. Quarantine restrictions,
- 16.4.1.8. Strikes,
- 16.4.1.9. Freight embargoes,
- 16.4.1.10. Unusually severe weather, or
- 16.4.1.11. Delays of Subcontractors or suppliers at any tier arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both Contractor and the Subcontractor(s) or suppliers; and

16.4.2. Contractor, within three days from the beginning of any event of default or delay (unless extended by County), notifies County in writing of the cause(s) therefore. In this circumstance, County will ascertain the facts and the extent of the resulting delay. If, in the judgment of County the findings warrant such action, the time for completing the work may be extended.

16.5. Receipt of Notice. For the purposes of subsection 16.1 above, "receipt of notice" includes receipt by hand by Contractor's onsite project manager, by facsimile transmission, or under the Notices clause of this Contract.

16.6. Excusable. If, after termination of the Contract for default, County determines that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if County had terminated the Contract for convenience as set forth in Article 17.

16.7. Rights and Remedies. The rights and remedies of County in this Article are cumulative and in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

17. **Termination for Convenience of County**. County may terminate this Contract at any time by giving written notice to Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least 15 days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents and other materials will, at the option of County, become its property. If County terminates the Contract as provided herein, County will pay Contractor an amount based on the time and expenses incurred by Contractor prior to the termination date. However, County will make no payment for anticipated profit on unperformed services.

18. **Non-Appropriation of Funds**. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract, County may terminate this Contract if for any reason the Pima County Board of Supervisors does not appropriate sufficient monies for the purpose of maintaining this Contract. In the event of such termination, County has no further obligation to Contractor, other than payment for services rendered prior to termination.

19. **Notices.** Any notice required or permitted to be given under this Contract must be in writing and be served by delivery or by certified mail upon the other party as follows:

COUNTY:

Javier Baca, Director  
Pima County Information Technology Department  
33 N. Stone Ave.  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
Tel: (520) 724-7580

CONTRACTOR:

Dan Kimbler, President  
Arizona Communication Experts, Inc.  
4420 N. Highway Drive  
Tucson, AZ 85705  
Tel: (520) 748-1599

20. **Non-Exclusive Contract.** Contractor understands that this Contract is Non-Exclusive and is for the sole convenience of County. County reserves the right to obtain like services from other sources for any reason.

21. **Contract Documents.**

- 21.1. Incorporation of Documents: County and Contractor in entering into this Contract have relied upon information provided in Solicitation No. IFB-PO-2400030 – Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24), Bonds (Bid, Payment, and Performance Bonds), Exhibit A – Bid for Fixed Price Construction Contract, Exhibit B – General Conditions, Exhibit C – Special Provisions for Federal Contracts, Special Provisions, Technical Specifications and Plans, Construction Documents, Drawings and Specifications, Amendments, and on information provided in Contractor's response to this Solicitation. These documents are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Contract by reference as if set forth in full herein.

- 21.2. Order of Precedence: In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between or among the contract documents, the documents shall take precedence in the following order:

- 21.2.1. This Contract
- 21.2.2. Exhibit A – Bid for Fixed Price Construction Contract
- 21.2.3. Exhibit B – General Conditions
- 21.2.4. Exhibit C – Special Provisions for Federal Contracts
- 21.2.5. Special Provisions, Technical Specifications, and Plans
- 21.2.6. Contractor Response to the Solicitation
- 21.2.7. Instructions to Bidders
- 21.2.8. Invitation to Bid

- 21.3. Deviation: The parties may, by written mutual agreement, deviate from this order of precedence in resolving inconsistencies between or among contract documents. Any such agreement interpreting the documents shall be incorporated into the Contract by amendment.

- 21.4. Conflict: In the event of any conflict between any provision in the Special Conditions, and any provision of the General Conditions, or any other incorporated document, the provision in the Special Conditions shall take precedence.

22. **Bonding Requirements.** In accordance with A.R.S. §34-221, et. seq., the Contractor will provide Payment and Performance bonds for not less than 100% of the contract amount. Copies of the bonds will be attached to this Contract.

23. **Ownership of Documents.** Ownership of all original drawings, boring logs, field data, estimates, field notes, plans, specifications, documents, reports, calculations, maps and models, and other information developed by Contractor under this Contract vests in and become the property of the County and will be delivered to County upon completion or termination of the services, but Contractor may retain record copies thereof. The Granting Agency reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for Federal Government purposes: (a) the copyright in any work developed under this Contract or any Subcontract; and (b) Any rights of copyright to which Contractor or County acquires ownership under this Contract.

**24. Books and Records.**

24.1. Maintenance. Contractor will keep and maintain proper and complete books, records and accounts, which will be open at all reasonable times for inspection and audit by duly authorized representatives of County.

24.2. Retention. Contractor will retain all records relating to this contract at least five years after its termination or cancellation or until any related pending proceeding or litigation has been closed, if later. Alternatively, Contractor may, at its option, deliver such records to County for retention.

25. **Remedies**. Either party may pursue any remedies provided by law for the breach of this Contract, provided, however, that the procedures in Article 28 are first exhausted. No right or remedy is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy and each is cumulative and in addition to any other right or remedy existing at law or at equity or by virtue of this Contract.

26. **Severability**. Each provision of this Contract stands alone, and any provision of this Contract found to be prohibited by law is ineffective to the extent of such prohibition without invalidating the remainder of this Contract.

27. **Delays**. Neither party will be considered in default in the performance of its obligations to the extent that the performance of any such obligation is prevented or delayed by any cause, existing or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of such party.

**28. Disputes.**

28.1. Resolving Dispute. In the event of a dispute between County and Contractor regarding any part of this Contract or the Parties' obligations or performance hereunder, either party may request a special meeting between their respective representatives to resolve the dispute. If the dispute remains unresolved, then either Party may request escalation of the issue to a meeting between the Director of the Pima County Department administering this Contract and Contractor's counterpart official, such meeting to be held within one week of the request, unless otherwise agreed. If the dispute is still not resolved after that meeting, then either party may pursue such remedy or remedies as may be available to them under the laws of the State of Arizona.

28.2. Performance. The Parties will continue performance of their respective obligations under this Contract notwithstanding the existence of any dispute.

**29. Public Records.**

29.1. Disclosure. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 39-121 et seq., and A.R.S. §§ 34-603(H), 604(H), in the case of Construction or Architectural and Engineering services procured under A.R.S. Title 34, Chapter 6, all information submitted by Contractor in any way related to this contract, including, but not limited to, pricing, product specifications, work plans, and any supporting data becomes public information and upon request, is subject to release and/or review by the general public including competitors.

29.2. Records Marked Confidential.

29.2.1. Any information submitted related to this Contract that Contractor believes constitutes proprietary, trade secret or otherwise confidential information must be appropriately and prominently marked as confidential prior to submittal to County and be accompanied by an index specifically identifying and describing the general contents of each page so marked. The index is a Public Record and must not include any information considered confidential.

29.2.2. Notwithstanding the above provisions, in the event records marked confidential are requested for public release pursuant to A.R.S. § 39-121 et seq., County will release records marked confidential 10 business days after the date of notice to the Contractor of the request for release, unless Contractor has, within the 10 day period, secured a protective order, injunctive relief or

other appropriate order from a court of competent jurisdiction in Arizona, enjoining the release of the records. For the purposes of this paragraph, the day of the request for release is not counted in the time calculation. Contractor will be notified of any request for such release on the same day of the request for public release or as soon thereafter as practicable. County shall not, under any circumstances, be responsible for securing a protective order or other relief enjoining the release of records marked confidential, nor shall County be in any way financially responsible for any costs associated with securing such an order.

**30. Legal Arizona Workers Act Compliance.**

30.1. Compliance with Immigration Laws. Contractor warrants that it will at all times during the term of this Contract comply with all federal immigration laws applicable to Contractor's employment of its employees, and with the requirements of A.R.S. § 23-214 (A) (together the "State and Federal Immigration Laws"). Contractor will further ensure that each Subcontractor who performs any work for Contractor under this Contract likewise complies with the State and Federal Immigration Laws.

30.2. Books & Records. County has the right at any time to inspect the books and records of Contractor and any Subcontractor in order to verify such party's compliance with the State and Federal Immigration Laws.

30.3. Remedies for Breach of Warranty. Any breach of Contractor's or any Subcontractor's warranty of compliance with the State and Federal Immigration Laws, or of any other provision of this section, is a material breach of this Contract subjecting Contractor to penalties up to and including suspension or termination of this Contract. If the breach is by a Subcontractor, and the subcontract is suspended or terminated as a result, Contractor will take such steps as may be necessary to either self-perform the services that would have been provided under the subcontract or to retain a replacement Subcontractor (subject to County approval if SBE or DBE preferences apply), as soon as possible so as not to delay project completion.

30.4. Subcontractors. Contractor will advise each Subcontractor of County's rights, and the Subcontractor's obligations, under this Article by including a provision in each subcontract substantially in the following form:

"Subcontractor hereby warrants that it will at all times during the term of this contract comply with all federal immigration laws applicable to Subcontractor's employees, and with the requirements of A.R.S. § 23-214 (A). Subcontractor further agrees that County may inspect the Subcontractor's books and records to ensure that Contractor is in compliance with these requirements. Any breach of this paragraph by Subcontractor is a material breach of this contract subjecting Subcontractor to penalties up to and including suspension or termination of this contract."

30.5. Costs. Any additional costs attributable directly or indirectly to remedial action under this Article are the responsibility of Contractor. In the event that remedial action under this Article results in delay to one or more tasks on the critical path of Contractor's approved construction or critical milestones schedule, such period of delay will be excusable delay for which Contractor is entitled to an extension of time, but not costs.

31. **Israel Boycott Certification.** Pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-393.01, if Contractor engages in for-profit activity and has 10 or more employees, and if this Contract has a value of \$100,000.00 or more, Contractor certifies it is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of this Contract to not engage in, a boycott of goods or services from Israel. This certification does not apply to a boycott prohibited by 50 U.S.C. § 4842 or a regulation issued pursuant to 50 U.S.C. § 4842.

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32. **Forced Labor of Ethnic Uyghurs.** Pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-394, if Contractor engages in for-profit activity and has 10 or more employees, Contractor certifies it is not currently using, and agrees for the duration of this Contract to not use (1) the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; (2) any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; and (3) any contractors, subcontractors or suppliers that use the forced labor or any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China. If Contractor becomes aware during the term of the Contract that the Company is not in compliance with A.R.S. § 35-394, Contractor must notify the County within five business days and provide a written certification to County regarding compliance within one hundred eighty days.
33. **Amendment.** Except for the amendment provision above in Article 2, this Contract may be modified, amended, altered or extended only by a written amendment signed by the Parties.
34. **Entire Agreement.** This document constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and all prior or contemporaneous agreements and understandings, oral or written, are hereby superseded and merged herein.

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35. **Effectiveness and Date.** This contract will become effective when all Parties have signed it. The date of this Contract will be the date the Contract is signed by the last Party to sign it (as indicated by the date associated with that Party's signature).

Each Party is signing this Contract on the date below that Party's signature.

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

CONTRACTOR:

Michael Leonard  
Signature

Michael Leonard Director of Field Operations

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title (Please Print)

11/21/2023

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Date

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

This contract template has been approved as to form by the Pima County Attorney's Office.

BID OF: \_\_\_\_\_  
(CONTRACTOR'S NAME)



## **EXHIBIT B - GENERAL CONDITIONS (10 pages)**

### **ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

Whenever in these Specifications, or in any document of instructions where these Specifications govern, the following terms or pronouns in place of them are used, the intent and meaning will be interpreted as follows:

Bid: The offer of the Bidder for the work when properly made out on forms containing the Bid for Lump Sum Construction supplied by County and properly submitted, signed and guaranteed.

Bid Documents: All Drawings, Technical Specifications, Supplementary General and/or General Conditions, Bid Schedule, Construction Contract and Bonds, and Contract Documents.

Bidder: Any individual, firm or corporation, qualified as herein provided, legally submitting a Bid for the work contemplated, acting directly or through an authorized representative.

Board: The Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, acting under authority of the laws of Arizona.

Building Code: The directions, provisions, and requirements contained in the current edition of the Building Codes, with Amendments, as adopted by Pima County, supplemented by such special provisions as may be necessary, pertaining to the method and manner of performing the work, quality and quantity of material to be furnished and measurement for payment of same.

Contract: The written Agreement between County and Contractor covering the performance of the work and the furnishing of labor, equipment, and materials in the construction of the work.

Contract Bond: The approved form of security furnished by Contractor and its Surety as a guarantee on the part of Contractor to execute the work in accordance with the terms of the Contract.

Contractor: The party who undertakes to execute the work, acting directly or through an authorized lawful agent or employee.

County: Pima County, Arizona, a body politic and corporate, the owner of the work.

Department: The Pima County Information Technology Department.

Director: The Pima County Department Director, an assistant or other representative duly authorized by a Department Director to act on their behalf.

Extra Work: Work, including materials, for which no price agreement is contained in the Contract and which is deemed necessary for the proper completion of the work.

Item: A detail of work for which separate payment is made.

Laboratory: The established laboratory of the Department or other laboratories authorized by County to test materials and work involved in the Contract.

Plans: The Contract drawings or exact representations thereof, which show the location, character, dimensions, and details of the work.

Project Manager, Engineer, or Architect: The person designated by County to oversee the project on its behalf.

Standard Specifications: The directions, provisions, and requirements contained in the current edition of the PAG Standard Specifications for Public Improvements 2015 Edition with Amendments, as adopted by Pima County, supplemented by such special provisions as may be necessary, pertaining to the method and manner of performing the work, quality and quantity of material to be furnished and measurement of payment of same.

Supplementary Agreement: A written agreement executed by Contractor and County covering alterations to the project. A change order or a force account work request prepared on the approved form of the Department is a supplementary agreement.

Supplementary General Conditions or Special Conditions: The Supplementary General Conditions or Special Conditions are additional to the General Conditions, which are conditions or requirements peculiar to the project under consideration.

Surety: The corporate body which is bound with and for Contractor, who is primarily liable, and which (agrees) to be responsible for its payment of all debts pertaining to and for its acceptable performance of the work for which it has contracted.

The Work: All of the work specified in the Contract.

## **ARTICLE 2. RESPONSIBILITY REGARDING EXISTING UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES**

County does not guarantee the existence and locations of underground utilities indicated on the plans and Contractor will investigate and verify the location of underground utilities in the field before starting work. Contractor will carefully perform excavations in the vicinity of existing structures and utilities. Contractor is responsible for any damage to, and for maintenance and protection of, existing utilities and structures. At least two full working days prior to commencing excavation, contractor must call blue Stake Center, 1-800-STAKE-IT, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday for information relative to the location of buried utilities.

Contractor is fully responsible for costs incurred due to damage to utilities as a result of grading or excavation operations. Utility locations shown on the Plans are approximate, and not all utilities may be shown. The possibility of conflicts with existing utilities –in-place exists. If conflicting utilities interfere with Contractor's normal progress toward completion of this project, County may, at its option, authorize Contractor to relocate said conflicting utilities by Force Account.

It is the responsibility of Contractor to contact the utility companies in order for them to determine if there is a need for any bracing or shoring of power to telephone poles during the construction of this project. If bracing or shoring is necessary, Contractor will effect this work to the satisfaction of the utility company. County will make no measurement or direct payment for bracing or shoring.

## **ARTICLE 3. LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC**

- a. Laws to be Observed -- Contractor is presumed to be familiar with and at all times will observe and comply with all Federal and State laws and local ordinances, worker's compensation, occupational disease, and unemployment compensation laws together with the payment of all premiums and taxes therefor, also all laws, ordinances, and regulations in any manner affecting the conduct of the work and will indemnify and hold harmless County and its representatives against any claim arising from the violations of such laws, bylaws, ordinances or regulations, whether by Contractor or by Contractor's employees.
- b. Permits and Licenses -- Contractor will procure all County building permits, and sewer connection fees. Contractor will post required permits on site and give all notices necessary and incidental to the due and lawful prosecution of the work. Contractor will procure and pay for all other permits, fees, and applications for water, gas, electric and other utilities.
- c. Sanitary Provisions -- Contractor will provide and maintain in a neat and sanitary condition such accommodations for the use of its employees as may be necessary to comply with the requirements and regulations of the Arizona Department of Health Services or other authorities having jurisdiction therein.

- d. Public Convenience and Safety -- Contractor will have due regard for the public health and will conduct the work in such a manner as to provide and insure the safety and convenience of the public.

When special conditions prevail and extraordinary measures are necessary, the details will be set forth in the Technical Specifications or Special Provisions.

- e. Barricades, Warning Lights, and Detour Signs -- Contractor will at its expense and without further order provide, erect, and maintain at all times during the progress or temporary suspension of the work such barricades, fences, warning lights, danger signals, reflectors, signs, or other protective devices as are required to insure the safety of the public, those engaged in connection with the work and the work itself.

Unless otherwise expressly stated in the Contract, no measurement or direct payment for this work will be made, but the cost of providing, erecting, and maintaining such protection devices, including guards, watchmen and/or flagmen as required will be considered as included and paid for in the contract prices for the work.

- f. Use of Explosives -- Prohibited

- g. Preservation and Restoration of Property -- Contractor will be responsible for the preservation of all public and private property on the surface or underground, along and adjacent to the work and will conduct its operations so as to insure the prevention of injury or damage thereto. No land monuments or property will be disturbed or moved until an authorized agent has witnessed or otherwise referenced their locations.

When or where any direct or indirect damage or injury is done to public or private property by or on account of any act, omission, neglect, or misconduct in the execution of the work, or in consequence or the non-execution thereof on the part of Contractor, Contractor will restore such property at its own expense to a condition similar or equal to that existing before such damage or injury was done, by repairing, rebuilding, or otherwise restoring same, or it will make good such damage or injury in an acceptable manner.

- h. Contractor's Responsibility for Work -- Until written final acceptance of the work by County, Contractor will have the charge and care thereof and will take every precaution against injury or damage to any part thereof by action of elements, or from any other cause, whether arising from the execution or non-execution of the work. The Contractor will rebuild, repair, restore, and make good all injuries or damages of any portion of the work occasioned by any of the above causes before final acceptance and will bear the expense thereof.

In case of the suspension of work for any cause whatever, Contractor will be responsible for all work and materials and will take proper care of the work, storing all materials if necessary, and will provide suitable drainage of the work and erect necessary temporary structures.

- i. Waiver of Legal Rights -- County will not be precluded or be estopped, by any measurement, estimate, or certificate made either before or after the completion and acceptance of the work and payment therefor, from showing the true amount and character of the work performed and materials furnished by Contractor, or from showing that any such measurement, estimate, or certificate is untrue or incorrectly made, or that the work or materials do not conform in fact to the Contract. Neither the acceptance by County or by any representative of County nor any payment, nor acceptance of the whole or any part of the work, nor any extension of time, nor any possession taken by County will operate as a waiver of any portion of the Contract or of any power herein reserved, or any right to damage herein provided. A waiver of any breach of the Contract is not a waiver of any other subsequent breach.

#### ARTICLE 4. ACCIDENTS

Contractor will provide, at the site, such equipment and medical facilities as are necessary to supply first-aid service to anyone who may be injured in connection with the work.

Contractor must promptly report in writing to County all accidents whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with the performance of the work, whether on or adjacent to the site, which caused death, personal injury, or property damage, giving full details and statements of witnesses. In addition, if death or serious injuries or serious damages are caused, Contractor will report the accident immediately by telephone or messenger to both County and the Board.

If any claim is made by anyone against Contractor or any Subcontractor on account of any accident, Contractor will promptly report the facts in writing to County, giving full details of the claim.

#### **ARTICLE 5. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 6. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 7. EXECUTION, CORRELATION AND INTENT OF DOCUMENTS**

The Contract documents are complementary, and what is called for by any one will be as binding as if called for by all, and the most stringent requirement will apply. The intention of the documents is to include all labor and materials, equipment and transportation necessary for the proper execution of the work. It is not intended, however, that materials or work not covered by or properly inferable from any heading, branch, class or trade of the specifications will be supplied unless distinctly so noted on the drawings. Materials or work described in words that so applied have a well-known technical or trade meaning will be held to refer to such recognized standards.

#### **ARTICLE 8. DETAIL DRAWINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

County will furnish with reasonable promptness, additional instructions, by means of drawings or otherwise, necessary for the proper execution of the work. All such drawings and instructions will be consistent with the Bid documents, true developments thereof, and reasonably inferable therefrom.

#### **ARTICLE 9. COPIES OF DRAWINGS FURNISHED**

County will provide, at no cost to Contractor, two complete sets of code approved construction documents in non-reproducible form.

County will provide, at no cost to Contractor, five (5) non-reproducible sets of construction documents used during the course of bidding the work (Bid Sets) for execution on the work. It will be Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any modifications called for as a result of the permit process are transferred to the bid sets.

Contractor may purchase additional sets of code-approved sets or bid sets construction documents, at its expense.

#### **ARTICLE 10. ORDER OF COMPLETION**

Contractor will submit at such times as may be requested by County, schedules which will show the order in which Contractor proposes to carry on the work with dates at which Contractor will start the several parts of the work and estimated dates of completion of the several parts.

#### **ARTICLE 11. CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS ON THE JOB SITE**

Contractor will keep one copy of code approved construction documents on the job site, in good order, available to County and to County's representatives. This set of documents will be kept current as to pending and approved changes in the work.

## **ARTICLE 12. OWNERSHIP OF DRAWINGS**

All drawings, specifications, and copies thereof furnished by County are the property of Pima County. They are not to be used on other work and with the exception of the signed Contract set, and are to be returned to County on request, at the completion of the work. All models are the property of County.

## **ARTICLE 13. CONTRACTOR'S UNDERSTANDING**

Contractor has, by careful examination, satisfied itself as to the nature and location of the work, the conformation of the ground, the character of equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during the prosecution of the work, the general and local conditions, and all other matters which can in any way affect the work under this Contract. No verbal agreement or conversations with any officer, agent or employee of County, either before or after the execution of this Contract, will affect or modify any of the terms or obligations herein contained.

## **ARTICLE 14. MATERIALS, APPLIANCES, EMPLOYEES**

Unless otherwise agreed, Contractor will provide and pay for all materials, labor, water, tools, equipment, light, power, transportation, and other facilities necessary for the execution and completion of the work.

Unless otherwise agreed, all materials will be new, and both workmanship and materials will be of good quality. Contractor will, if required, furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials.

Contractor will at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among its employees, and will not employ on the work any unfit person or anyone not skilled in the work that Contractor assigns to that person.

## **ARTICLE 15. ROYALTIES AND PATENTS**

Contractor will pay all royalties and license fees. Contractor will defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights and will hold County harmless from loss on account thereof, except that County will be responsible for all such loss when a particular process or the product of a particular manufacturer or manufacturers is specified, but if Contractor has information that the process or article specified is an infringement of a patent it will be responsible for such loss unless it promptly gives such information to County.

## **ARTICLE 16. SURVEYS, PERMITS, AND REGULATIONS**

County will furnish all property surveys unless otherwise specified. Contractor will secure and pay for permits and licenses of a temporary nature necessary for the prosecution of the work except as noted in Article 3.b. County will secure and pay for easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing facilities unless otherwise agreed.

Contractor will give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing on the conduct of the work as drawn and specified. If Contractor observes that the drawings and specifications are at variance therewith, it will promptly notify County in writing, and any necessary changes will be adjusted as provided in the Contract for changes in the work. If Contractor performs any work knowing it to be contrary to such laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, and without such notice to County, it will bear all costs arising therefrom.

## **ARTICLE 17. PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY**

Contractor will continuously maintain adequate protection of all its work from damage and will protect County's property from injury or loss arising in connection with this Contract. It will make good any such damage, injury, or loss, except such as may be directly due to errors in the bid documents or caused by agents or employees of County. It will adequately protect adjacent property as provided by law and the bid documents. It will provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights, and other facilities for protection required by public authority or local conditions.

If an emergency should occur affecting the safety of life or the work or of adjoining property, Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from County, is hereby permitted to act at his discretion, to prevent such threatened loss or injury, and Contractor will so act, without appeal, if so instructed or authorized. Any compensation claimed by Contractor on account of emergency work will be determined by County.

Contractor is responsible for equipment, materials, and supplies until completion of the project and acceptance by County.

#### **ARTICLE 18. INSPECTION OF WORK**

County representatives will at all times have access to the work wherever it is in preparation or progress and Contractor will provide proper facilities for such access and for inspection.

If the specifications, County's instructions, laws, ordinances, or any public authority, require any work to be specially tested or approved, Contractor will give County timely notice of its readiness for inspection and if the inspection is by an authority other than County, of the date fixed for such inspection. Inspections by County will be promptly made, and where practicable at the source of supply. If any work should be covered up without approval or consent of County, it must, if required by County, be uncovered for examination at Contractor's expense.

Re-examination of questioned work may be ordered by County and if so ordered the work must be uncovered by Contractor. If such work is found to be in accordance with the bid documents, County will pay the cost of re-examination and replacement. If such work is found not to be in accordance with the bid documents, Contractor will pay such cost.

#### **ARTICLE 19. SUPERINTENDENCE - SUPERVISION**

Contractor will keep on its work site during its progress a competent Superintendent and any necessary assistants, all satisfactory to County. The Superintendent will not be changed except with the consent of County, unless the Superintendent proves to be unsatisfactory to Contractor and ceases to be in its employ. The Superintendent will represent Contractor in its absence and all directions given to it will be as binding as if given to Contractor. Contractor will give efficient supervision to the work using its best skill and attention.

If Contractor, in the course of the work, finds any discrepancy between the construction documents and the physical conditions of the locality, or any errors or omissions in the construction documents or in the layout as given by points and instructions, it will be its duty to immediately inform County, in writing, and County will promptly verify the same. Any work done after such discovery, until authorized, will be done at Contractor's risk.

Neither County nor Contractor, will employ an employee of the other without consent.

#### **ARTICLE 20. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 21. CLAIMS FOR EXTRA COST FOR ADDITIONAL WORK**

If Contractor claims that any additional instructions by drawings or otherwise involve extra cost under this Contract, it will give County written notice thereof within a reasonable time after the receipt of such instructions, and in any event before proceeding to execute the work, except in an emergency endangering life or property. No such claim will be valid unless so made.

#### **ARTICLE 22. DEDUCTIONS FOR UNCORRECTED WORK**

If County deems it not expedient to correct work injured or done not in accordance with the Contract, an equitable deduction from the Contract price will be made therefor.

Contractor will promptly remove from the premises all materials condemned by County as failing to conform to the Contract, whether incorporated in the work or not, and Contractor will promptly replace and re-execute its own work in accordance with the Contract and without expense to County and will bear the expense of making good all work of other contractors destroyed or damaged by such removal or replacement.

If Contractor does not remove such condemned work and materials within a reasonable time, fixed by written notice, County may remove them and may store the material at the expense of Contractor. If Contractor does not pay the expense of such removal within ten days' time thereafter, County may, upon ten days written notice, sell such materials at auction or at private sale and will account for the net proceeds thereof, after deducting all the costs and expenses that should have been borne by Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 23. SUSPENSION OF WORK**

County may at any time suspend the work, or any part thereof by giving three (3) days' notice to Contractor in writing. When the reason for such suspension involves safety, health or welfare issues, the three (3) day written notice requirement may be waived at the decision of the County Management. Contractor will resume the work within ten (10) days after the date fixed in the written notice from County to Contractor to do so.

#### **ARTICLE 24. COUNTY'S RIGHT TO DO WORK**

If Contractor neglects to prosecute the work properly or fails to perform any provision of this Contract, County may, after three (3) days written notice to the Contractor, without prejudice to any other remedy it may have, make good such deficiencies and may deduct the cost thereof from the payment then or thereafter due Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 25. COUNTY'S RIGHT TO TERMINATE CONTRACT**

If Contractor persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workers or proper materials, or if it fails to make prompt payment to subcontractors for material or labor, or persistently disregards laws, ordinances, or the instructions of County, or otherwise is guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of the contract, then County may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy and after giving Contractor ten (10) days written notice, terminate the employment of Contractor and take possession of the premises and of all materials, tools, and appliances thereon and finish the work by whatever method County may deem expedient. In such case Contractor will not be entitled to receive any further payment until the work is finished. If the unpaid balance of the Contract price will exceed the expense of finishing the work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative service, such excess will be paid to Contractor. If such expense will exceed such unpaid balance, Contractor will pay the difference to County. County will certify the expense incurred by County as herein provided, and the damage incurred through the Contractor's default.

#### **ARTICLE 26. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT**

In any case of annulment or termination of this Contract before completion from any cause whatever, Contractor, if notified to do so by County, will promptly remove any part or all of its equipment and supplies from the property of County, failing which County will have the right to remove such equipment and supplies at the expense of Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 27. USE OF COMPLETED PORTIONS**

County has the right to take possession of and use any completed or partially completed portions of the work, notwithstanding the time for completing the entire work or such portions may not have expired, but such taking possession and use is not an acceptance of any work not completed in accordance with the Bid documents. If such prior use increases the cost of or delays the work, Contractor will be entitled to such extra compensation, or extension of time, or both, as County may determine.

## **ARTICLE 28. PAYMENTS WITHHELD**

County may decline to certify payment or, because of discovered evidence or observations, may nullify the whole or any part of any certificate for payment previously issued, to such extent as may be necessary in its opinion to protect County from loss because of:

- a. Defective work not remedied.
- b. Third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims.
- c. Failure of Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors or for labor, materials, or equipment.
- d. Reasonable evidence that the work cannot be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract sum.
- e. Damage to another Contractor.

When the above grounds are removed, payment will be made for amounts withheld because of them.

## **ARTICLE 29. WARRANTY**

Contractor will provide a written guarantee covering all costs for repair or replacement of defective work for a period of two (2) years (or longer if noted elsewhere in the construction documents) from substantial completion. Contractor will complete repair, or respond to County in writing with repair solution, within seventy-two (72) hours of notification by County. County may make emergency repairs to ensure life safety or to prevent property loss, without invalidating the warranty.

## **ARTICLE 30. LIENS**

Neither the final payment nor any part of the retained percentage will become due until Contractor delivers to County a complete release of all liens arising out of this Contract, or receipts in full or in lieu thereof, and if required in either case, an affidavit that so far as it has knowledge or information, the release and receipts include all the labor for which a lien could be filed; but Contractor may, if any subcontractor refuses to furnish a release or receipt in full, furnish a bond satisfactory to County, to indemnify County against any lien. If any lien remains unsatisfied after all payments are made, Contractor will pay to County all monies that County may be compelled to pay in discharging such a lien, including all costs and a reasonable attorney's fee.

## **ARTICLE 31. RIGHTS OF VARIOUS INTERESTS**

Wherever work being done by County's forces or other contractors is contiguous to work covered by this Contract the respective rights of the various interests involved will be established by the County to secure the completion of the various portions of the work in general harmony.

## **ARTICLE 32. SEPARATE CONTRACTS**

County reserves the right to let other contracts in connection with this work. Contractor will afford other contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and the execution of their work, and will properly connect and coordinate its work with theirs.

If any part of Contractor's work depends upon proper execution or results of the work of any other contractor, Contractor will inspect and its report will constitute an acceptance of the other contractor's work after the execution of its work.

To insure the proper execution of its subsequent work, Contractor will measure work already in place and will once report to County any discrepancy between the executed work and the drawings.

## **ARTICLE 33. COUNTY'S STATUS**

The County has general review of the work and has the authority to reject all work and materials that do not conform to the Contract.



#### **ARTICLE 34. CLAIMS AND DISPUTES**

All claims, demands, disputes, controversies, and differences that arise between the parties hereto as result of or in connection with this Contract will be referred to County in writing with a request for review and response in accordance with this paragraph, which County will render in writing within a reasonable time.

Contractor will deliver written notice of each such claim, demand, dispute, controversy or difference to County within fifteen (15) days of the occurrence of the event giving rise thereto and written supporting data will be submitted to County within forty-five (45) days of such occurrence unless County specifies a different period of time in writing to Contractor. The submission to County with respect to any such claim, demand, dispute, controversy or difference will be a condition precedent to any exercise by Contractor of such rights or remedies as Contractor may otherwise have under the Bid documents or at law in respect of any such claim, demand, dispute, controversy or difference.

If either County or Contractor is dissatisfied with any decision of County and both parties agree in writing, then the dispute may be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Construction Industry Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association, and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) will be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. All arbitration hearings must be held in Tucson, Arizona.

#### **ARTICLE 35. CLEANING UP**

Contractor will, as directed by County, remove from County's property and from all public and private property, at its own expense, all temporary structures, rubbish, and waste materials resulting from its operation.

#### **ARTICLE 36. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 37. ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES**

Construction for this project may occur in an archaeological sensitive area. The County Office of Conservation and Sustainability Cultural Resources Division will determine prior to construction (other than emergencies) any special site monitoring requirements. Human burials, including human skeletal remains, cremations, and funerary objects are protected under A.R.S. section 41-844 on state, county, and municipal lands, and under A.R.S. section 41-865 on private lands. Should archaeological features and/or artifacts or human remains, including human skeletal or cremation remains be discovered, work at that location will cease immediately, and the area will be taped off and avoided until archaeological investigations are completed. Construction is subject to delay in that location pursuant

to applicable State law, while consultation with the Arizona State Museum and appropriate documentation and data recovery takes place. To the extent permitted by law, all archaeological artifacts and other materials will belong to Pima County. No monetary compensation will be made to Contractor for any claims due to delays in the work schedule. Only the Contract construction time will be extended to permit the original scheduled number of days for completion of the project.

#### **ARTICLE 38. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 39. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 40. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/ HAZARDOUS WASTES / HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES ABATEMENT**

Should Contractor uncover, or otherwise become aware of the presence of any Hazardous Materials, Hazardous Wastes or Hazardous Substances during the construction of this project, notice will be served immediately to the County Project Manager, and all work surrounding said materials or substances will be ceased until directed to proceed. Construction delays due to Hazardous Materials, Hazardous Wastes or Hazardous Substances abatement may occur.

If this Contract does not otherwise require the services of a Hazardous Materials contractor, abatement of such materials will be provided by Pima County, at its expense and independent of this Contract.

If this Contract already employs the services of a Hazardous Materials contractor, the cost to abate any such additional materials will be added to the contract as Additional Services, in accordance with the provisions of Article 21 "Claims for Cost of Additional Work".

#### **ARTICLE 41. WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES**

Contractor will legally dispose of all construction debris in appropriate County operated waste disposal facilities and pay any applicable fees. In the case of conflicts with the provisions of the Contract Specifications, this provision applies.

#### **ARTICLE 42. AS-BUILT DRAWINGS**

Contractor will keep an accurate record of all changes and deviations from the Project Plans and Specifications and submit to County one set of "As-Built" drawings including dimension, location of underground utilities, etc., upon completion of the work. As-Built drawings will be drawn and submitted in such a format as prescribed by County.

#### **ARTICLE 43. RESERVED**

#### **ARTICLE 44. BUILDER'S RISK**

Contractor will be responsible for equipment, materials, and supplies until completion of the project and acceptance by County.

### **END OF EXHIBIT B - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

## **EXHIBIT C - SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS FOR FEDERAL CONTRACTS (3 pages)**

### **SPECIAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY CORONAVIRUS STATE & LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS**

1. Publications. Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: "This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number SLFRP0180 awarded to Pima County by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.
2. Federal regulations applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
  - a. Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference.
  - b. OMG Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19. Contractor certifies that it has not been debarred or suspended and that none of its principals, affiliates or subcontractors are excluded or disqualified.
  - c. New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21. Contractor certifies that it will not and has not used federally appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Contractor shall disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award.
  - d. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance. Contractor shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
  - e. Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations. For contracts exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal assistance.
    - i. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
    - ii. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.
  - f. Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant funds to procure or obtain:
    - i. Equipment, services, or systems that uses telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any

- ### Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts under Federal Awards

(A) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 CFR Part 60–1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60–1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964–1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal

Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

(B) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701–3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non–Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

(C) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

(D) See § 200.323, Procurement of recovered materials.

## **END EXHIBIT C - SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS FOR FEDERAL CONTRACTS**



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their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety(ies) and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and amended August 14, 2015 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 16, 2015.

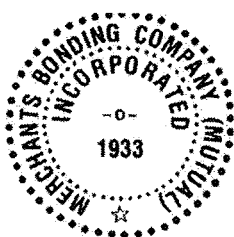
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In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of its obligations under its bond.

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 13th day of June, 2022.

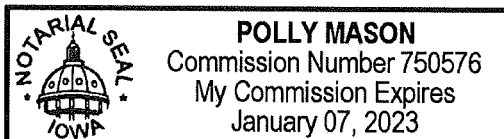


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By *Larry Taylor*  
President

STATE OF IOWA  
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On this 13th day of June, 2022, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

*Polly Mason*  
Notary Public

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.



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**SUBCONTRACT PERFORMANCE BOND**

Bond No. NAZ 4835

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That Arizona Communication Experts Inc

\_\_\_\_\_ as Principal,  
hereinafter called Principal, and Merchants National Bonding, Inc. as Surety, hereinafter called  
Surety, are held and firmly bound unto Pima County Government

as Oblige, hereinafter called Oblige, in the amount of one million eighty-three thousand eight hundred and nine  
Dollars (1,083,809),  
for the payment whereof Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and  
successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, Principal has by written agreement dated 11/27/2023  
entered into a subcontract with Oblige for IFB-PO-2400030 Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection  
(CLMP24) Installation of Conduit and Fiber Optic cable  
which subcontract is by reference made a part hereof, and is hereinafter referred to as the subcontract.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that if Principal shall promptly and  
faithfully perform the subcontract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force  
and effect.

Whenever Principal shall be, and be declared by Oblige to be in default under the subcontract, the Oblige  
having performed Oblige's obligations thereunder:

- (1) Surety may promptly remedy the default subject to the provisions of paragraph 3 herein, or,
- (2) Oblige after reasonable notice to Surety may, or Surety upon demand of Oblige may arrange  
for the performance of Principal's obligation under the subcontract subject to the provisions of para-  
graph 3 herein.
- (3) The balance of the subcontract price, as defined below, shall be credited against the reasonable  
cost of completing performance of the subcontract. If completed by the Oblige, and the reasonable  
cost exceeds the balance of the subcontract price, the Surety shall pay to the Oblige such excess, but  
in no event shall the liability of the Surety exceed the amount of this bond. If the Surety arranges  
completion or remedies the default, the balance of the subcontract price shall be paid to the Surety at  
the times and in the manner as said sums would have been payable to Principal had there been no  
default under the subcontract, provided however that the Surety shall have no further liability or  
obligation to Oblige once the Surety's loss equals the bond amount stated herein. The term "balance of  
the subcontract price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total amount of the subcontract and  
any amendments thereto, less the amounts properly paid by Oblige under the subcontract.

Any suit on this bond must be filed within two years from the date the Principal ceased working under the  
subcontract. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation  
available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

No right of action shall accrue on this bond to or for the use of any person or corporation other than Oblige  
named herein or the heirs, executors, administrators or successors of the Oblige.

Signed and sealed this 17th day of November A.D. 2023

In the presence of:

_____	Arizona Communication Experts Inc
Witness	Principal
_____	By: <u>Dan Kimbler</u> (Seal)
	Dan Kimbler
_____	Merchants National Bonding, Inc.
Witness	Surety
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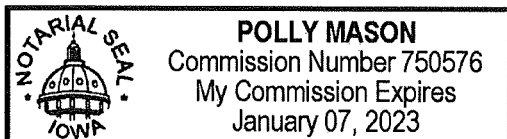
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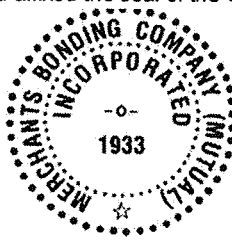


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# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

11/20/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

**IMPORTANT:** If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

<b>PRODUCER</b> Drachman Insurance Services, Inc. 6300 E. El Dorado Plaza Suite A220 Tucson AZ 85715		<b>CONTACT NAME:</b> Deborah Olander <b>PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):</b> (520) 382-0351 <b>FAX (A/C, No):</b> (520) 885-0496 <b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b> deb@drachmanins.com	
		<b>INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE</b>	
		<b>INSURER A:</b> Secura Insurance Company	
		<b>INSURER B:</b> CopperPoint Indemnity Insurance Company	
		<b>INSURER C:</b>	
		<b>INSURER D:</b>	
		<b>INSURER E:</b>	
		<b>INSURER F:</b>	

**COVERAGES****CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** CL23112017950**REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY</b>	X	Y	20-CP-003378006	12/13/2022	12/13/2023	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 1,000,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>ILE0215 WRAP EXCLUSION</b>						MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 15,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>ILE0502 RES EXCLUSION</b>						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 2,000,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: CG2503 PER PROJECT AGG						Employee Benefits \$ 1,000,000
A	<b>AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY</b>	X	Y	A3378007	12/13/2022	12/13/2023	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 1,000,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO						BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS						BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>UMBRELLA LIAB</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR	X	Y	20-CU-003378008	12/13/2022	12/13/2023	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 5,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>EXCESS LIAB</b> <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE						AGGREGATE \$ 5,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> DED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$ 10,000						
B	<b>WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY</b>	Y/N	N/A	1023034	12/13/2022	12/13/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)						E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000
A	<b>Installation Floater</b>			20-CP-003378006	12/13/2022	12/13/2023	Limit \$450,000
	<b>Special Form Incl Theft</b>						Deductible \$1,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Contract No. CT-IT-24-246.

Pima County Elections 144SM Fiber Connection (CLMP24)

Certificate holder (AKA as Pima County, its departments, districts, boards, commissions, officers, officials, agents and employees) is added as an additional insured, general liability, per forms per forms CG2010 0704 and CG2037 0704 attached. GL Primary & Non-Contributory coverage applies per form CGE2266 1301 attached. GL Waiver of Subrogation applies per form CG2404 0509 attached. Auto additional

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER****CANCELLATION**

Pima County-Procurement Dept Design and Construction Div 150 W. Congress St.. 5th Floor Tucson, AZ 85701	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE  Deborah Olander/DEB

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**ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR  
CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR  
ORGANIZATION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**SCHEDULE**

<b>Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):</b>	<b>Location(s) Of Covered Operations</b>
Any entity required to be added as Additional Insured in a written agreement signed prior to a loss	
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.	

**A. Section II – Who Is An Insured** is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:

1. Your acts or omissions; or
2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.

**B.** With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

1. All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or
2. That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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**ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR  
CONTRACTORS – COMPLETED OPERATIONS**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**SCHEDULE**

<b>Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):</b>	<b>Location And Description Of Completed Operations</b>
Any entity required to be added as Additional Insured in a written agreement signed prior to a loss	
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.	

**Section II – Who Is An Insured** is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" at the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

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## **PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY – OTHER INSURANCE CONDITION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:  
**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART**

With respect to coverage provided by this Endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Part apply unless modified by this Endorsement.

### **Schedule**

**Designated Additional Insured:** Any person or organization when required in a written agreement between you and such person or organization

(Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.)

The following is added to the Other Insurance Condition and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

### **Primary And Noncontributory Insurance**

This insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the Designated Additional Insured shown in the Schedule provided that:

1. The Designated Additional Insured is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and
2. You have agreed in a written agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the Designated Additional Insured.

All other terms and conditions of this policy not in conflict with the terms and conditions of this Endorsement shall continue to apply.

## WAIVER OF TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY AGAINST OTHERS TO US

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART  
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

### SCHEDULE

**Name Of Person Or Organization:**

any entity you have agreed in writing to be waived from recovery

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

The following is added to Paragraph 8. **Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us** of Section IV – Conditions:

We waive any right of recovery we may have against the person or organization shown in the Schedule above because of payments we make for injury or damage arising out of your ongoing operations or "your work" done under a contract with that person or organization and included in the "products-completed operations hazard". This waiver applies only to the person or organization shown in the Schedule above.

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## **AUTO ADDITIONAL INSURED WRAP**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:  
BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

### **A. AUTOMATIC ADDITIONAL INSURED – PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY**

SECTION II – COVERED AUTOS LIABILITY COVERAGE, subsection A. Coverage, paragraph 1. Who Is An Insured is amended to add:

#### **d. (1) Automatic Additional Insured – Primary And Noncontributory**

Any person or organization is an additional insured when you and such person or organization have agreed in writing prior to a loss that such person or organization be added as additional insured on your policy. Such person or organization is an additional insured only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" resulting from the ownership, maintenance or use of a covered "auto", provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused, in whole or in part, by you or by those acting on your behalf. This insurance is primary and is not contributing with any other insurance carried by the additional insured.

#### **(2) Blanket Lessor Additional Insured Provisions**

If the additional Insured is a lessor of a "leased auto";

##### **(a) Coverage**

- i. Any "leased auto" that is a covered "auto" will be considered a covered "auto" you own and not a covered "auto" you hire or borrow.

For a covered "auto" that is a "leased auto" Who Is An Insured is changed to include as an "Insured" the lessor.

- ii. The coverages provided under this endorsement apply to any "leased auto" until the policy expiration date, or when the lessor or his or her agent takes possession of the "leased auto", whichever occurs first.

##### **(b) Loss Payable Clause**

- i. We will pay, as interest may appear, you and the lessor for "loss" to a "leased auto".
- ii. The insurance covers the interest of the lessor unless the "loss" results from fraudulent acts or omissions on your part.
- iii. If we make any payment to the lessor, we will obtain his or her rights against any other party.

- (c) The lessor is not liable for payment of your premiums.

##### **(d) Additional Definition**

As used in this endorsement:

"Leased auto" means an "auto" leased or rented to you including any substitute, replacement or extra "auto" needed to meet seasonal or other needs, under a leasing or rental agreement that required you to provide direct primary insurance for the lessor.

**B. WAIVER -- TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY AGAINST OTHERS TO US**

SECTION IV – BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS, subsection A. Loss Conditions, paragraph 5. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us is amended to add:

We waive any right of recovery we may have against any person or organization when you and such person or organization have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that such person or organization be waived from recovery because of payments we make for injury or damage arising out of an "accident" and resulting from the ownership, maintenance or use of a covered "auto". However, our rights may only be waived prior to the "accident" for which we make payment under this Coverage Part. The insured must do nothing after a loss to impair our rights.



**WAIVER OF OUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM OTHERS ENDORSEMENT**

We have the right to recover our payments from anyone liable for an injury covered by this policy. We will not enforce our right against the person or organization named in the Schedule. (This agreement applies only to the extent that you perform work under a written contract that requires you to obtain this agreement from us).

This agreement shall not operate directly or indirectly to benefit anyone not named in the Schedule.

Schedule

**State**

**Blanket/Schedule/State**

**AZ**

**BLANKET**

**Blanket Waiver:** Anyone for whom you have agreed to provide this Waiver subject to the terms of this endorsement

This endorsement changes the policy to which it is attached and is effective on the date issued unless otherwise stated.

This document may have been uploaded to the CopperPoint Portal.

**(The information below is required only when this endorsement is issued subsequent to preparation of the policy.)**

Endorsement Effective 12/13/2022  
Insured Arizona Communication ExpertsInc

Policy No. 1023034

Endorsement No. 3  
Premium \$

Insurance Company CopperPoint Indemnity Insurance Company

Countersigned by



**WC 00 03 13**  
(Ed. 4-84)

## COMMENTS/REMARKS

insured, auto primary non-contributory & auto waiver of subrogation apply per form CAE0131 1508 attached. Work Comp waiver of subrogation applies per form WC000313 (04-84). Coverage applies when required by written contract between the above named insured and the certificate holder but only as respects their interest appears and is subject to policy conditions, limitations, and exclusions. 30 Day Notice of Cancellation applies to certificate holder with 10 days notice for Non Payment of premium. Installation Floater form IM7105 01 12 attached.

## SCHEDULE OF COVERAGES INSTALLATION FLOATER COVERAGE

(The entries required to complete this schedule  
will be shown below or on the "schedule of coverages".)

PROPERTY COVERED (check one)		"Limit"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Blanket Coverage</b>		
Jobsite Limit	\$	450,000
Catastrophe Limit	\$	450,000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Scheduled Locations Coverage</b>		
Loc. No.	"Jobsite"	"Limit"
		\$
		\$
Catastrophe Limit		\$
<b>COVERAGE EXTENSIONS</b>		"Limit"
Additional Debris Removal Expenses	\$	5,000
Emergency Removal		10 days
Limited Fungus Coverage	\$	15,000
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGES</b>		
Pollutant Cleanup And Removal	\$	10,000
Sewer Backup	\$	5,000
Temporary Storage Locations	\$	5,000
Transit	\$	5,000

**DEDUCTIBLE**

Deductible Amount \$ 1,000

**COINSURANCE** (check one)

☒ Waived

☐ 80%      ☐ 90%      ☐ 100%      ☐ Other %

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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**DESIGNATED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT(S)  
GENERAL AGGREGATE LIMIT**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**SCHEDULE**

**Designated Construction Project(s):**

**Each Of Your Projects Away From The Premises Owned By You Or Rented To You**

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A.** For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I – Coverage **A**, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I – Coverage **C**, which can be attributed only to ongoing operations at a single designated construction project shown in the Schedule above:
1. A separate Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit applies to each designated construction project, and that limit is equal to the amount of the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations.
  2. The Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all damages under Coverage **A**, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard", and for medical expenses under Coverage **C** regardless of the number of:
    - a. Insureds;
    - b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
    - c. Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
  3. Any payments made under Coverage **A** for damages or under Coverage **C** for medical expenses shall reduce the Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit for that designated construction project. Such payments shall not reduce the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations nor shall they reduce any other Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit for any other designated construction project shown in the Schedule above.
  4. The limits shown in the Declarations for Each Occurrence, Damage To Premises Rented To You and Medical Expense continue to apply. However, instead of being subject to the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations, such limits will be subject to the applicable Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.

- B.** For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I – Coverage A, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I – Coverage C, which cannot be attributed only to ongoing operations at a single designated construction project shown in the Schedule above:
1. Any payments made under Coverage A for damages or under Coverage C for medical expenses shall reduce the amount available under the General Aggregate Limit or the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, whichever is applicable; and
  2. Such payments shall not reduce any Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.
- C.** When coverage for liability arising out of the "products-completed operations hazard" is provided, any payments for damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard" will reduce the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, and not reduce the General Aggregate Limit nor the Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.
- D.** If the applicable designated construction project has been abandoned, delayed, or abandoned and then restarted, or if the authorized contracting parties deviate from plans, blueprints, designs, specifications or timetables, the project will still be deemed to be the same construction project.
- E.** The provisions of Section III – Limits Of Insurance not otherwise modified by this endorsement shall continue to apply as stipulated.

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## CONSTRUCTION LIMITATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART  
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY CLAIMS-MADE COVERAGE PART

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

SECTION I – COVERAGES; COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGES LIABILITY; 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL INJURY AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY; 2. Exclusions of the COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM are amended to add the following exclusions:

**Exclusion – Earth Movement Event** – This insurance does not apply to:

- a. “Bodily injury” or “property damage” included in the “products-completed operations hazard” and arising out of an “earth movement event”.
- b. “Personal and advertising injury” arising out of an “earth movement event”.

**Exclusion – Sub-Microscopic Particles Or Defects** – This insurance does not apply to:

- a. “Bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, any sub-microscopic particles or defects on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury or damage.
- b. “Personal and advertising injury” arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of any sub-microscopic particles or defects on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury.
- c. Any loss, cost or expense arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, sub-microscopic particles or defects, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

The definition of “property damage” is amended by adding:

For the purposes of this insurance, the presence of any sub-microscopic particles or defect is not:

- (1) physical injury, nor
- (2) loss of use of tangible property.

**Exclusion – Operations Covered By A Consolidated (Wrap-Up) Insurance Program** – This insurance does not apply to “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of either your ongoing operations or operations included within the “products-completed operations hazard” at any location where a “consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program” has been made available to you.

This exclusion applies whether or not the “consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program”:

- a. Provides coverage identical to that provided by this Coverage Part;
- b. Has limits adequate to cover all claims; or
- c. Remains in effect.

This exclusion does not apply to “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of your ongoing operations at any location, outside of any specific project site where a “consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program” has been made available to you, if such program does not provide coverage.

SECTION I – COVERAGE of the PROFESSIONAL ERRORS AND OMISSIONS COVERAGE FORM is amended to add the following exclusions:

**Exclusion – Earth Movement Event** – This insurance does not apply to “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of an “earth movement event”.

**Exclusion – Sub-Microscopic Particles Or Defects** – This insurance does not apply to:

- a. “Bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, any sub-microscopic particles or defects on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury or damage.
- b. Any loss, cost or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, sub-microscopic particles or defects, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

The definition of “property damage” is amended by adding:

For the purposes of this insurance, the presence of any sub-microscopic particles or defect is not:

- (1) physical injury, nor
- (2) loss of use of tangible property.

**Exclusion – Operations Covered By A Consolidated (Wrap-Up) Insurance Program** – This insurance does not apply to “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of your ongoing operations at any location where a consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program has been made available to you.

This exclusion applies whether or not the “consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program”:

- a. Provides coverage identical to that provided by this Coverage Part;
- b. Has limits adequate to cover all claims; or
- c. Remains in effect.

This exclusion does not apply to “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of your ongoing operations at any location, outside of any specific project site where a “consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program” has been made available to you, if such program does not provide coverage.

SECTION V – DEFINITIONS of the COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM and SECTION VI – DEFINITIONS on the PROFESSIONAL ERRORS AND OMISSIONS COVERAGE FORM are amended to add the following definitions:

“Consolidated (wrap-up) insurance program” means any written agreement or written arrangement, including any contractor-controlled insurance program, owner-controlled insurance program, project specific insurance program, or similar insurance program, whether such written agreement or written arrangement is provided by an insurer or self-insured, under which:

- a. Some or all of the contractors working on a specific project, or specific projects, are required to enroll in a program to obtain insurance that:
  - (1) Includes the same or similar insurance as that provided by this Coverage Part; and
  - (2) Is issued or provided specifically for “bodily injury” or “property damage” arising out of such project; and
- b. You are enrolled, were enrolled, or were allowed to enroll.

“Earth movement event” means any land earth or soil movement including, but not limited to:

- a. subsidence of land;
- b. landslide;
- c. mudflow;
- d. land, earth or soil sinking;
- e. land, earth or soil expansion;



- f. land, earth or soil heaving;
- g. land, earth or soil swelling;
- h. land earth or soil movement arising out of inadequate or excessive moisture content; or
- i. land, earth or soil shifting.

All other terms and conditions of this policy not in conflict with the terms and conditions of this endorsement shall continue to apply.

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## EXCLUSION – RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION WORK

This Endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:  
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART  
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY CLAIMS-MADE COVERAGE PART

With respect to coverage provided by this Endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Part apply unless modified by the Endorsement.

SECTION I – COVERAGES; COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGES LIABILITY; 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – COVERAGES; COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY; 2. Exclusions on the COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM are amended to add the following Exclusion:

**Exclusion – Residential Construction Work** – This insurance does not apply to “bodily injury”, “property damage”, or “personal and advertising injury” arising out of “your product” or “your work” on any single or multi-family “residential construction” project.

This Exclusion does not apply to repair work or improvements on existing buildings that have been occupied prior to such work or improvements beginning, but this exception does not apply to the conversion of any existing buildings into “residential habitation”.

**Exclusion – Conversion of Buildings or Structures to Residential Use** – This insurance does not apply to “bodily injury”, “property damage”, or “personal and advertising injury” arising out of “your product” or “your work” on any project involving the conversion of any existing buildings or structures into “residential habitation”.

SECTION I – COVERAGE of the PROFESSIONAL ERRORS AND OMISSIONS COVERAGE FORM is amended to add the following Exclusion:

**Property Damage Exclusion – Residential Construction Work** – This insurance does not apply to “property damage” for any work performed by you, or on your behalf, on any single or multi-family “residential construction” project.

This Exclusion does not apply to repair work or improvements on existing residential buildings that have been occupied prior to such work or improvements beginning, but this exception does not apply to the conversion of any existing buildings into “residential habitation”.

**Property Damage Exclusion – Conversion of Buildings or Structures to Residential Use** – This insurance does not apply to “property damage” arising out of any work performed by you, or on your behalf, on any project involving the conversion of any existing buildings or structures into “residential habitation”.

SECTION V – DEFINITIONS on the COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM and SECTION VI – DEFINITIONS on the PROFESSIONAL ERRORS AND OMISSIONS COVERAGE FORM are amended to add the following Definitions:

“Residential construction” means all development, design, building or other construction, improvements, site selection, surface or subsurface site preparation, conversion, renovation, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or any work, products or component parts thereof or services provided in relation to any of the foregoing, involving property intended in whole or in part for “residential habitation”, or any common or public areas or facilities related thereto.

“Residential habitation” means any place of shelter for humans to live in, regardless of the length of such living arrangement. This includes, but is not limited to: single family dwellings, condominiums, cooperatives, townhomes, patio homes, cluster homes, apartments, duplexes, triplexes, or any other multi-family homes, time-share units, and other similar habitational structures.

“Residential habitation” does not mean any of the following:

- a. Hotels or motels;
- b. Hospitals, assisted living or nursing home facilities;
- c. Educational institution housing or dormitories;

d. Correctional Facilities;

e. Housing on military bases; or

f. Apartments, duplexes, triplexes and single family homes that are not part of a "tract home project", but only with respects to sales or installation of alarm, security and fire suppression systems performed by you or on your behalf.

"Tract home project" means a series of five or more single family houses which share common or similar design elements, floor plans, blue prints, and or architectural details, and or which are constructed at the same time, or consecutively, on the same parcel, adjacent parcels, or parcels so located within one geographic area to be considered a single project.

All other terms and conditions of this policy not in conflict with the terms and conditions of this Endorsement shall continue to apply.