



STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR

This agreement is made:

BETWEEN the OWNER: City of Nashua, New Hampshire
229 Main Street
Nashua, NH 03060-2019

And the CONTRACTOR:

and its successors, transferees and assignees
(together “**CONTRACTOR**”)

For the following Project: **IFB1092-090619**
Digester Gas Tank Diaphragm Upgrade

ARTICLE 1 – THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The **CONTRACTOR** shall complete the work described in the Contract Documents for this project. The documents consist of:

1. This Agreement signed by the **OWNER** and **CONTRACTOR**, including the General Terms and Conditions;
2. Specifications;
3. Bid Form submitted _____;
4. Notice of Award;
5. Payment and Performance Bonds;
6. Insurance Certificate;
7. Notice to Proceed;
8. Written change orders for minor changes in the Work issued after execution of this Agreement; and
9. Fully Executed **OWNER** Purchase Order

The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties and supersedes prior negotiations, proposals, representations or agreements, either written or oral. Any other documents which are not listed in this Article are not part of the Contract.

In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Proposals and the terms of this Agreement, a written change order and/or fully executed **OWNER** Purchase Order, the terms of this Agreement, the written change order or the fully executed **OWNER** Purchase Order shall control over the terms of the Proposals

ARTICLE 2 – WORK TO BE PERFORMED

Except as otherwise provided in this contract, **CONTRACTOR** shall furnish all services, equipment, and materials and shall perform all operations necessary and required to carry out and perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract the work described.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

This **PROJECT** consists of replacing the existing diaphragm inside the gas tank along with modifications to the method of attachment of the diaphragm to the tank wall.

The following is a general summary of the expected work to be performed and sequence to follow. The **CONTRACTOR** is not bound by these methods and may use alternate procedures upon approval by the wastewater engineer. Additional work or steps may be needed that are not reflected in the following description for the complete installation of the new diaphragm.

- Video inside layout of piston and diaphragm such that all components (sections of piston wall, concrete block ballast layout...) can be reinstalled to exact layout as existing. Remove existing cables that are used to raise and lower the piston. Remove section of piston walls (bolted) noting location and order of removed sections. Stack wall sections inside tank at base. Provide the necessary rigging to remove each section of the piston wall.
- Remove upper and lower rings that connect the diaphragm to the tank and base of the piston. New gasket material and bolts/nuts shall be installed upon reconnection of rings and piston wall sections.
- Remove existing diaphragm. Cut hole in top of tank of sufficient size to remove existing diaphragm from tank. A crane will be needed to facilitate this operation. The existing 24-inch diameter hatches are likely too small to remove the old and reinstall the new diaphragm.
- Remove upper seal connection bracket and invert such that diaphragm can be bolted to the bracket from the air side of the tank interior. **CONTRACTOR** to determine means and methods to remove existing bracket, reuse or install new bracket with angle iron facing up.
- Connect the new diaphragm to upper and lower seal brackets using new bolts, nuts, washers, bracket bars, and gasket material as necessary to securely attached the top and bottom of new diaphragm.
- Install all 8 sections of piston wall.
- Remove old and install new cables that attached to piston and counter weights to assist with lowering and raising of piston.
- Touchup areas where needed with new coatings specified by **OWNER**.
- Operate new gas tank with large air compressor to check operation and determine any adjustments that may be needed.
- Perform leak tests
- Purge gas holder with nitrogen gas. Keep system filled with nitrogen gas until startup using digester gas.

The **CONTRACTOR** is expected to use high quality construction materials for this work including all new stainless steel bolts and nuts wherever removed.

CONTRACTOR shall submit a design drawing of the upper seal of the diaphragm connection to the piston sidewalls. The **CONTRACTOR** shall be required to submit a design drawing acceptable to the Wastewater Engineer of this connection.

ARTICLE 3 – PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

CONTRACTOR shall begin performance upon receipt of an Executed Contract, a valid **Purchase Order** issued from the City of Nashua, and a Notice to Proceed. **CONTRACTOR** shall substantially complete all work within **100 calendar days of Notice to Proceed**. Final completion of all work shall be within **120 calendar days of Notice to Proceed**. These dates shall only be altered by mutually approved written agreement to extend the period of performance or by termination in accordance with the terms of the contract.

ARTICLE 4 – CONTRACT SUM

Subject to additions and deductions by Change Order, the **OWNER** shall pay **CONTRACTOR**, in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contract Sum of:

DOLLARS

(\$ _____)

The Contract Sum shall include all items and services necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work.

ARTICLE 5 – INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

CONTRACTOR shall carry and maintain in effect during the performance of services under this contract:

- General liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 aggregate;
- Motor Vehicle Liability: \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit; ***Coverage must include all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles**; and
- Workers’ Compensation Coverage in compliance with the State of NH Statutes, \$100,000/\$500,000/\$100,000.

The parties agree that **CONTRACTOR** shall have the status of and shall perform all work under this contract as an independent **CONTRACTOR**, maintaining control over all its consultants, sub consultants, or subcontractor’s. The only contractual relationship created by this contract is between the **OWNER** and **CONTRACTOR**, and nothing in this contract shall create any contractual relationship between the **OWNER** and **CONTRACTOR**’s consultants, sub consultants, or subcontractor’s. The parties also agree that **CONTRACTOR** is not an **OWNER** employee and that there shall be no:

1. Withholding of income taxes by the **OWNER**;
2. Industrial insurance coverage provided by the **OWNER**;
3. Participation in group insurance plans which may be available to employees of the **OWNER**;
4. Participation or contributions by either the independent **CONTRACTOR** or the **OWNER** to the public employee’s retirement system;
5. Accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave provided by the **OWNER**;
6. Unemployment compensation coverage provided by the **OWNER**.

CONTRACTOR will provide the **OWNER** with certificates of insurance for coverage as listed below and endorsements affecting coverage required by the contract within ten calendar days after the **OWNER** issues the notice of award. The **OWNER** requires thirty days written notice of cancellation or material change in coverage. The certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy must be signed by a person authorized by the insurer and who is licensed by the State of New Hampshire. **General Liability and Auto Liability policies must name the OWNER as an additional insured** and reflect on the certificate of insurance. **CONTRACTOR** is responsible for filing updated certificates of insurance with the **OWNER's** Risk Management Department during the life of the contract.

- All deductibles and self-insured retentions shall be fully disclosed in the certificate(s) of insurance.
- The specified insurance requirements do not relieve **CONTRACTOR** of its responsibilities or limit the amount of its liability to the **OWNER** or other persons, and **CONTRACTOR** is encouraged to purchase such additional insurance, as it deems necessary.
- The insurance provided herein is primary, and no insurance held or owned by the **OWNER** shall be called upon to contribute to a loss.
- **CONTRACTOR** is responsible for and required to remedy all damage or loss to any property, including property of the **OWNER**, caused in whole or part by **CONTRACTOR** or anyone employed, directed, or supervised by **CONTRACTOR**.
- The insurance provided herein is primary, and no insurance held or owned by the **OWNER**, shall be called upon to contribute to a loss.
- **CONTRACTOR** is responsible for and required to remedy all damage or loss to any property, including property of the **OWNER**, caused in whole or part by **CONTRACTOR** or anyone employed, directed, or supervised by **CONTRACTOR**.

Regardless of any coverage provided by any insurance, **CONTRACTOR** agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the **OWNER**, its agents, officials, employees and authorized representatives and their employees from and against any and all suits, causes of action, legal or administrative proceedings, arbitrations, claims, demands, damages, liabilities, interest, attorney's fees, costs and expenses of any kind or nature in any manner caused, occasioned, or contributed to in whole or in part by reason of any negligent act, omission, or fault or willful misconduct, whether active or passive, of **CONTRACTOR** or of anyone acting under its direction or control or on its behalf in connection with or incidental to the performance of this contract. **CONTRACTOR's** indemnity and hold harmless obligations, or portions thereof, shall not apply to liability caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the party indemnified or held harmless.

General Terms and Conditions

ARTICLE 6 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties and supersedes prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or modified only by a written modification.
2. The term “Work” means the construction and services required by the Contract Documents, and include all other labor, materials, equipment and services provided by the **CONTRACTOR** to fulfill the **CONTRACTOR’s** obligations.
3. The intent of the Contract Documents is to include all items necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work by the **CONTRACTOR**. The Contract Documents are complementary, and what is required by one shall be as binding as if required by all.
4. In the case of a discrepancy, calculated dimensions will govern over scaled dimensions, Contract Drawings will govern over Standard Specifications, and Technical Specifications will govern over both Contract Drawings and Standard Specifications. In the case of a discrepancy between the Agreement and other Contract Documents, the more specific or stringent obligation or requirement to the benefit of the **OWNER** shall take precedence.
5. The **CONTRACTOR** shall take no advantage of any apparent error or omission in the Contract Drawings or Technical Specifications, and the Engineer will be permitted to make such corrections and interpretations as may be deemed necessary to fulfill the intent of the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 7 – OWNER

1. Except for permits and fees, which are the responsibility of the **CONTRACTOR** under the Contract Documents, the **OWNER** shall obtain and pay for other necessary approvals, easements, assessments and charges.
2. If the **CONTRACTOR** fails to correct Work that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the **OWNER** may direct the **CONTRACTOR** in writing to stop the Work until the correction is made.
3. If the **CONTRACTOR** defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents and fails within a seven (7) day period after receipt of written notice from the **OWNER** to correct such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the **OWNER** may, without prejudice to other remedies, correct such deficiencies. In such case, a Change Order shall be issued deducting the cost of correction from payments due the **CONTRACTOR**.
4. The **OWNER** reserves the right to perform construction or operations related to the project with the **OWNER’s** own forces, and to award separate contracts in connection with other portions of the project.
5. The **CONTRACTOR** shall coordinate and cooperate with separate **CONTRACTORS** employed by the **OWNER**.
6. Costs caused by delays or by improperly timed activities or defective construction shall be borne by the responsible party.

ARTICLE 8 – CONTRACTOR

1. Execution of the Contract by the **CONTRACTOR** is a representation that the **CONTRACTOR** has visited the site, become familiar with local conditions under which the Work is to be performed and correlated personal observations with requirements of the Contract Documents.
2. The **CONTRACTOR** shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents with each other and with information furnished by the **OWNER**. Before commencing activities, the **CONTRACTOR** shall: (1) take field measurements and verify field conditions; (2) carefully compare this and other information known to the **CONTRACTOR** with the Contract Documents; and (3) promptly report errors, inconsistencies or omissions discovered to the **OWNER**.
3. Within ten (10) days of notification of award, and prior to commencement of work, the **CONTRACTOR** shall obtain and forward to **OWNER** a Payment Bond and a Performance Bond representing 100% of the contract work.
4. The **CONTRACTOR** shall supervise and direct the Work, using the **CONTRACTOR**'s best skill and attention. The **CONTRACTOR** shall be solely responsible for and have control over construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures, and for coordinating all portions of the Work.
5. The **CONTRACTOR**, as soon as practicable after award of the Contract, shall furnish in writing to the **OWNER** the names of subcontractors or suppliers for each portion of the Work. The **OWNER** will promptly reply to the **CONTRACTOR** in writing if, after due investigation, he has reasonable objection to the subcontractors or suppliers listed.
6. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the **CONTRACTOR** shall provide and pay for labor, materials, equipment, tools, utilities, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for proper execution and completion of the work.
7. The **CONTRACTOR** shall deliver, handle, store and install materials in accordance with manufacturers' instructions.
8. The **CONTRACTOR** warrants to the **OWNER** that (1) materials and equipment furnished under the contract will be new and of good quality unless otherwise required or permitted by the Contract Documents; (2) the Work will be free from defects not inherent in the quality required or permitted; and (3) the Work will conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents.
9. The **CONTRACTOR** shall pay sales, consumer, use and similar taxes that are legally required when the Contract is executed.
10. The **CONTRACTOR** shall obtain and pay for the building permit and other permits and governmental fees, licenses and inspections necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work.
11. The **CONTRACTOR** shall comply with and give notices required by agencies having jurisdiction over the Work. If the **CONTRACTOR** performs Work knowing it to be contrary to laws, statutes, ordinances building codes, and rules and regulations without notice to the **OWNER**, the **CONTRACTOR** shall assume full responsibility for such Work and shall bear the attributable costs. The **CONTRACTOR** shall promptly notify the **OWNER** in writing of any known inconsistencies in the Contract Documents with such governmental laws, rules and regulations.
12. The **CONTRACTOR** shall promptly review, approve in writing and submit Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples and similar submittals required by the Contract Documents. Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples and similar submittals are not Contract Documents.

13. The **CONTRACTOR** shall confine operations at the site to areas permitted by law, ordinances, permits, the Contract Documents and the **OWNER**.
14. The **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for cutting, fitting or patching required completing the Work or to make its parts fit together properly.
15. The **CONTRACTOR** shall keep the premises and surrounding area free from accumulation of debris and trash related to the Work.
16. Upon completion of WORK, **CONTRACTOR** warrants and guarantees to **OWNER**, for one (1) year, and that all WORK was completed in accordance with the Contract Documents and will not be defective. **CONTRACTOR's** warranty and guarantee hereunder excludes defects or damage caused by:
 - Abuse, modification, or improper maintenance or operation by persons other than **CONTRACTOR**, subcontractors, suppliers, or any other individual or entity for whom **CONTRACTOR** is responsible; or
 - Normal wear and tear under normal usage.

ARTICLE 9 – CHANGES IN THE WORK

1. After execution of the Contract, changes in the Work may be accomplished by Change Order or by order for a minor change in the Work. The **OWNER**, without invalidating the Contract, may order changes in the Work within the general scope of the Contract consisting of additions, deletions or other revisions, the Contract Sum and Contract Time being adjusted accordingly.
2. A Change Order shall be a written order to the **CONTRACTOR** signed by the **OWNER** to change the Work, Contract Sum or Contract Time.
3. Change Order requests must include material and equipment cost plus labor with a profit margin of no more than 10%. Change Orders may require approval by the Board of Public Works and the **OWNER's** Finance Committee vote prior to proceeding.
4. The **OWNER** will have authority to order minor changes in the Work not involving changes in the Contract Sum or the Contract Time and not inconsistent with the intent of the Contract Documents. Such changes shall be written orders and shall be binding on the **OWNER** and **CONTRACTOR**. The **CONTRACTOR** shall carry out such written orders promptly.
5. If concealed or unknown physical conditions are encountered at the site that differ materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents or from those conditions ordinarily found to exist, the Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be subject to equitable adjustment following authorization of the **OWNER** to the charges.

ARTICLE 10 – TIME

1. Time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence to the Contract.
2. If the **CONTRACTOR** is delayed at any time in progress of the Work by changes ordered in the Work, or by labor disputes, fire, unusual delay in deliveries, unavoidable casualties or other causes beyond the **CONTRACTOR's** control, the Contract Time shall be extended by Change Order for such reasonable time as may be determined.

ARTICLE 11 – PAYMENTS AND COMPLETION

1. The Contract Sum stated in the Agreement, including authorized adjustments, is the total amount payable by the **OWNER** to the **CONTRACTOR** for performance of the Work under the Contract Documents.
2. Once every **thirty (30) days**, the **CONTRACTOR** shall submit an itemized Application for Payment for operations completed in accordance with the values stated in the Agreement. Such application shall be supported by such data substantiating the **CONTRACTOR's** right to payment as the **OWNER** may reasonably require.
3. Application for Payment performed under this agreement shall be submitted as follows:
 - Electronically via email to VendorAPIInvoices@NashuaNH.gov

OR

- Paper Copies via US Mail to:

**City of Nashua, City Hall
Accounts Payable
229 Main Street
Nashua, NH 03060**

Please do not submit invoices both electronically and paper copy.

In addition, and to facilitate the proper and timely payment of applications, the **OWNER** requires that all submitted invoices contain a valid **PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER**.

4. The **CONTRACTOR** warrants that title to all Work covered by an Application for Payment will pass to the **OWNER** no later than the time of payment. The **CONTRACTOR** further warrants that upon submittal of an Application for Payment, all Work for which Certificates for Payment have been previously issued and payments received from the **OWNER** shall, to the best of the **CONTRACTOR's** knowledge, information and belief, be free and clear of liens, claims, security interests or other encumbrances adverse to the **OWNER's** interests.
5. **OWNER** shall make payments, for work satisfactorily completed and accurately invoiced, on the basis of **CONTRACTORs** Application for Payment, within **30** days of approval by the **OWNER**.
6. The **CONTRACTOR** shall promptly pay each subcontractor and supplier out of the amount paid to the **CONTRACTOR** on account of such entities' portion of the Work.
7. The **OWNER** shall have no responsibility for the payment of money to a subcontractor or supplier.
8. An Application for Payment, a progress payment, or partial or entire use or occupancy of the project by the **OWNER** shall not constitute acceptance of Work not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.
9. Substantial completion is the stage in the progress of the Work when the Work or designated portion thereof is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so the **OWNER** can occupy or utilize the Work for its intended use.

10. When the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete, the **CONTRACTOR** and **OWNER** shall establish responsibilities for completion and shall fix the time within which the **CONTRACTOR** shall finish all items on the list accompanying the Certificate. Warranties required by the Contract Documents shall commence on the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.
11. Upon receipt of a final Application for Payment, the **OWNER** will inspect the Work. When he finds the Work acceptable and the Contract fully performed, the **OWNER** will promptly issue a final Certificate for Payment.
12. Acceptance of final payment by the **CONTRACTOR**, a subcontractor or supplier shall constitute a waiver of claims by that payee except those previously made in writing and identified by that payee as unsettled at the time of final Application for Payment.

ARTICLE 12– RETAINAGE

1. The **OWNER** will retain a portion of the progress payment, each month, in accordance with the following procedures:
 - a. The **OWNER** will establish an escrow account in the bank of the **OWNER's** choosing. The account will be established such that interest on the principal will be paid to the **CONTRACTOR**. The principal will be the accumulated retainage paid into the account by the **OWNER**. The principal will be held by the bank, available only to the **OWNER**, until termination of the contract.
 - b. Until the work is 50% complete, as determined by the **OWNER**, retainage shall be 10% of the monthly payments claimed. The computed amount of retainage will be deposited in the escrow account established above.
 - c. After the work is 50% complete, and provided the **CONTRACTOR** has satisfied the **OWNER** in quality and timeliness of the work, and provided further that there is no specific cause for withholding additional retainage no further amount will be withheld. The escrow account will remain at the same balance throughout the remainder of the project.
2. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work, **OWNER** shall hold 2% retainage during the **1 (one) year** warranty period and release it only after the project has been accepted.

ARTICLE 13 – PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

1. The **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs, including all those required by law in connection with performance of the Contract. The **CONTRACTOR** shall promptly remedy damage and loss to property caused in whole or in part by the **CONTRACTOR**, or by anyone for whose acts the **CONTRACTOR** may be liable.

ARTICLE 14 – CORRECTION OF WORK

1. The **CONTRACTOR** shall promptly correct Work rejected by the **OWNER** as failing to conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents. The **CONTRACTOR** shall bear the cost of correcting such rejected work

2. In addition to the **CONTRACTOR's** other obligations including warranties under the Contract, the **CONTRACTOR** shall, for a period of one year after Substantial Completion, correct work not conforming to the requirements of the Contract Documents.
3. If the **CONTRACTOR** fails to correct nonconforming Work within a reasonable time, the **OWNER** may correct it and the **CONTRACTOR** shall reimburse the **OWNER** for the cost of the correction.

ARTICLE 15 – PROHIBITED INTERESTS

CONTRACTOR shall not allow any officer or employee of the **OWNER** to have any indirect or direct interest in this contract or the proceeds of this contract. **CONTRACTOR** warrants that no officer or employee of the **OWNER** has any direct or indirect interest, whether contractual, non-contractual, financial or otherwise, in this contract or in the business of the **CONTRACTOR**. **CONTRACTOR** also warrants that it presently has no interest and that it will not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this contract. **CONTRACTOR** further warrants that no person having such an interest shall be employed in the performance of this contract. If any such interest comes to the attention of **CONTRACTOR** at any time, a full and complete disclosure of the interest shall be immediately made in writing to the **OWNER**. If **OWNER** determines that a conflict exists and was not disclosed to the **OWNER**, it may terminate the contract at will or for cause.

ARTICLE 16 – TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT

TERMINATION, ABANDONMENT, OR SUSPENSION AT WILL

The **OWNER**, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to terminate, abandon, or suspend all or part of the project and contract at will. If the **OWNER** chooses to terminate, abandon, or suspend all or part of the project, it shall provide **CONTRACTOR** 10 day's written notice of its intent to do so. If all or part of the project is suspended for more than 90 days, the suspension shall be treated as a termination at will of all or that part of the project and contract.

Upon receipt of notice of termination, abandonment, or suspension at will, **CONTRACTOR** shall:

- a. Immediately discontinue work on the date and to the extent specified in the notice.
- b. Provide the **OWNER** with a list of all unperformed services.
- c. Place no further orders or sub-contracts for materials, services, or facilities, other than as may be necessary or required for completion of such portion of work under the contract that is not terminated.
- d. Immediately make every reasonable effort to obtain cancellation upon terms satisfactory to the **OWNER** of all orders or sub contracts to the extent they relate to the performance of work terminated, abandoned, or suspended under the notice, assign to the **OWNER** any orders or sub contracts specified in the notice, and revoke agreements specified in the notice.
- e. Not resume work after the effective date of a notice of suspension until receipt of a written notice from the **OWNER** to resume performance.

In the event of a termination, abandonment, or suspension at will, **CONTRACTOR** shall receive all amounts due and not previously paid to **CONTRACTOR** for work satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract prior to the date of the notice and compensation for work thereafter

completed as specified in the notice. No amount shall be allowed or paid for anticipated profit on unperformed services or other unperformed work.

TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

This agreement may be terminated by the **OWNER** on 10 calendar day's written notice to **CONTRACTOR** in the event of a failure by **CONTRACTOR** to adhere to any or all the terms and conditions of the contract or for failure to satisfactorily, in the sole opinion of the **OWNER**, to complete or make sufficient progress on the work in a timely and professional manner. **CONTRACTOR** shall be given an opportunity for consultation with the **OWNER** prior to the effective date of the termination. **CONTRACTOR** may terminate the contract on 10 calendar days written notice if, through no fault of **CONTRACTOR**, the **OWNER** fails to pay **CONTRACTOR** for 45 days after the date of approval by the **OWNER** of any Application for Payment.

Upon receipt of notice of termination for cause, **CONTRACTOR** shall:

1. Immediately discontinue work on the date and to the extent specified in the notice.
2. Provide the **OWNER** with a list of all unperformed services.
3. Place no further orders or sub-contracts for materials, services, or facilities, other than as may be necessary or required for completion of such portion of work under the contract that is not terminated.
4. Immediately make every reasonable effort to obtain cancellation upon terms satisfactory to the **OWNER** of all orders or sub contracts to the extent they relate to the performance of work terminated, abandoned, or suspended under the notice, assign to the **OWNER** any orders or sub contracts specified in the notice, and revoke agreements specified in the notice.
5. Not resume work after the effective date of a notice of termination unless and until receipt of a written notice from the **OWNER** to resume performance.

In the event of a termination for cause, **CONTRACTOR** shall receive all amounts due and not previously paid to **CONTRACTOR** for work satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract prior to the date of the notice, less all previous payments. No amount shall be allowed or paid for anticipated profit on unperformed services or other unperformed work. Any such payment may be adjusted to the extent of any additional costs occasioned to the **OWNER** by reasons of **CONTRACTOR's** failure. **CONTRACTOR** shall not be relieved of liability to the **OWNER** for damages sustained from the failure, and the **OWNER** may withhold any payment to the **CONTRACTOR** until such time as the exact amount of damages due to the **OWNER** is determined. All claims for payment by the **CONTRACTOR** must be submitted to the **OWNER** within 30 days of the effective date of the notice of termination.

If after termination for the failure of **CONTRACTOR** to adhere to any of the terms and conditions of the contract or for failure to satisfactorily, in the sole opinion of the **OWNER**, to complete or make sufficient progress on the work in a timely and professional manner, it is determined that **CONTRACTOR** had not so failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been a termination at will. In that event, the **OWNER** shall, if necessary, make an adjustment in the compensation paid to **CONTRACTOR** such that **CONTRACTOR** receives total compensation in the same amount as it would have received in the event of a termination-at-will.

GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR TERMINATION

Upon termination of the contract, the **OWNER** may take over the work and prosecute it to completion by agreement with another party or otherwise. Upon termination of the contract or in the event **CONTRACTOR** shall cease conducting business, the **OWNER** shall have the right to solicit applications for employment from any employee of the **CONTRACTOR** assigned to the performance of the contract. Neither party shall be considered in default of the performance of such obligations is prevented or delayed by any cause, existing or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of such party. Delays arising from the actions or inactions of one or more of **CONTRACTOR's** principals, officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, sub consultants, vendors, or suppliers are expressly recognized to be within **CONTRACTOR's** control.

ARTICLE 17 – DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute related to this contract as follows. Either party shall provide to the other party, in writing and with full documentation to verify and substantiate its decision, its stated position concerning the dispute. No dispute shall be considered submitted and no dispute shall be valid under this provision unless and until the submitting party has delivered the written statement of its position and full documentation to the other party. The parties shall then attempt to resolve the dispute through good faith efforts and negotiation between the **OWNER** Representative and the **CONTRACTOR** Representative. At all times, **CONTRACTOR** shall carry on the work under this contract and maintain and complete work in accordance with the requirements of the contract or determination or direction of the **OWNER**. If the parties are unable to resolve their dispute as described above within 30 days, the parties may request that the dispute be submitted to the Board of Public Works for resolution. If the parties are dissatisfied with the decision of the Board of Public Works, the parties' reserve the right to pursue any available legal and/or equitable remedies for any breaches of this contract except as that right may be limited by the terms of this contract.

ARTICLE 18 – CHOICE OF LAW AND VENUE

This contract shall be governed exclusively by the laws of the State of New Hampshire and any claim or action brought relating to this contract, the work performed or contracted to be performed thereunder, or referable in anyway thereto shall be brought in Hillsborough County (New Hampshire) Superior Court Southern Judicial District or in the New Hampshire 9th Circuit Court—Nashua and not elsewhere

ARTICLE 19 – MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. Neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract as a whole without written consent of the other.
2. Tests, inspections and approvals of portions of the Work required by the Contract Documents or by laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of public authorities having jurisdiction shall be made at an appropriate time.
3. If additional testing is required, the **CONTRACTOR** shall perform these tests.
4. The **OWNER** shall pay for tests except for testing Work found to be defective for which the **CONTRACTOR** shall pay.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

City of Nashua, NH (signature)

CONTRACTOR (signature)

James W. Donchess, Mayor
(Printed Name and Title)

(Printed Name and Title)

Date

Date