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Customer Number: 6000001138  
Agreement Number: 23MPJFAG0000006  
TIN: 582204274  
Fixed Cost Agreement: YES

November 29, 2022

Mr. Allen Saxon, Interim Director  
Augusta Utilities Department  
452 Walker Street, Suite 200  
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mr. Saxon:

Attached is the Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) with original signatures for the project entitled "Ground-Water Monitoring Program for the Augusta-Richmond County area, Georgia" as described in the enclosed proposal and dated November 2022, and made part of this agreement. This agreement is entered into by the USGS under authority of 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50; and 43 USC 50b.

This JFA covers the period beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending on December 31, 2023. The contribution from USGS is \$93,300 with a contribution from Augusta Utilities Department, Augusta, Georgia is \$123,400. The total cost is \$216,700. This amount will allow for the continued operation of 4 real-time wells, annual data-collection efforts during the summer of 2023, interpretation of results from annual data-collection during the summer of 2023, data input into the National Water Information System data base and documentation, and data inspection and documentation.

Please have a copy signed by an authorized official(s), and returned to the attention of Crystal Stallworth, Budget Analyst, at [castallw@usgs.gov](mailto:castallw@usgs.gov) or the address shown above. Work cannot be started or continued until we receive the signed agreement. All work performed with funds from this agreement will be conducted on a fixed-price basis. Billing will be rendered quarterly. Please do not send a check at this time as you will be billed at a later date which will include payment instructions with the address for mailing your check. The results of all work under this agreement will be available for publication by the U.S. Geological Survey. Any party may terminate this agreement by providing 60 day's written notice to the other party.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Gerard Gonthier, Hydrologist, at 404-435-4610 (mobile) or 678-924-6646 (office when we reopen) or via email at [gonthier@usgs.gov](mailto:gonthier@usgs.gov).

Sincerely,

Victor Engel, Director  
USGS South Atlantic Water Science Center  
DUNS# 191497072

**Form 9-1366  
(April 2015)**

**U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Joint Funding Agreement  
FOR  
Water Resource Investigations**

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Project #: MP00  
TIN #: 58-2204274  
USGS DUNS #: 191497072**

**Fixed Cost Agreement YES[ X ] NO[ ]**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of the January 1, 2023, by the U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, South Atlantic Water Science Center, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, party of the first part, and the Augusta Utilities Department party of the second part.

1. The parties hereto agree that subject to the availability of appropriations and in accordance with their respective authorities there shall be maintained in cooperation Water Resource Investigations (per attachment), herein called the program. The USGS legal authority is 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50, and 43 USC 50b.

2. The following amounts shall be contributed to cover all of the cost of the necessary field and analytical work directly related to this program. 2(b) include In-Kind-Services in the amount of \$0.00

- (a) \$93,300 by the party of the first part during the period  
January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023
- (b) \$123,400 by the party of the second part during the period  
January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023
- (c) Contributions are provided by the party of the first part through other USGS regional or national programs, in the amount of : \$0.00

Description of the USGS regional/national program: N/A

- (d) Additional or reduced amounts by each party during the above period or succeeding periods as may be determined by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties
- (e) The performance period may be changed by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.

3. The costs of this program may be paid by either party in conformity with the laws and regulations respectively governing each party.

4. The field and analytical work pertaining to this program shall be under the direction of or subject to periodic review by an authorized representative of the party of the first part.

5. The areas to be included in the program shall be determined by mutual agreement between the parties hereto or their authorized representatives. The methods employed in the field and office shall be those adopted by the party of the first part to insure the required standards of accuracy subject to modification by mutual agreement.

6. During the course of this program, all field and analytical work of either party pertaining to this program shall be open to the inspection of the other party, and if the work is not being carried on in a mutually satisfactory manner, either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice to the other party.

7. The original records resulting from this program will be deposited in the office of origin of those records. Upon request, copies of the original records will be provided to the office of the other party.

8. The maps, records or reports resulting from this program shall be made available to the public as promptly as possible. The maps, records or reports normally will be published by the party of the first part. However, the party of the second part reserves the right to publish the results of this program and, if already published by the party of the first part shall, upon request; be furnished by the party of the first part; at cost, impressions suitable for purposes of reproduction similar to that for which the original copy was prepared. The maps, records or reports published by either party shall contain a statement of the cooperative relations between the parties.

9. USGS will issue billings utilizing Department of the Interior Bill for Collection (form DI-1040). Billing documents are to be rendered quarterly. Payments of bills are due within 60 days after the billing date. If not paid by the due date, interest will be charged at the current Treasury rate for each 30 day period, or portion thereof, that the payment is delayed beyond the due date. (31 USC 3717; Comptroller General File B-212222, August 23, 1983.).

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Signature

VICTOR  
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By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Victor Engel  
Title: Director

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