

NOTICE OF AWARD

TO: **PIEDMONT MINING LLC**

PROJECT: **AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY & UTILITY**

The Owner has considered the bid submitted by you for the above-described WORK in response to its Advertisement for Bids and Information for Bidders.

You are hereby notified that your bid has been accepted for items in the amount of **\$2,140,506.52**.

You are required by the Invitation to Bid to execute the Contract and furnish the required Contractor's Performance and Payment Bonds within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of this Notice to you.

If you fail to execute said Contract and to furnish said bonds within fifteen (15) days from the date of this Notice, said Owner will be entitled to consider all rights arising out of the Owner's acceptance of your bid as abandoned and as a forfeiture of your Bid Bond. The Owner will be entitled to such other rights as may be granted by law.

You are required to return an acknowledged copy of this NOTICE OF AWARD to the Owner.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__

AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

*** ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE ***

Receipt of the above NOTICE OF AWARD is hereby

acknowledged by _____

this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

PERFORMANCE BOND

(NOTE: THIS BOND IS ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH PAYMENT BOND, IN FAVOR OF THE OWNER CONDITIONED FOR THE PAYMENT OF LABOR AND MATERIAL.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That _____ as Principal,
hereinafter called CONTRACTOR, and _____, a
corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, with
its principal office in the City of _____, State of _____, as Surety, hereinafter called
SURETY, are held and firmly bound unto AUGUSTA, GEORGIA BY AND THROUGH THE AUGUSTA-
RICHMOND COUNTY COMMISSION as Obligee, hereinafter called the OWNER, in the penal amount of _____
Dollars (\$_____) for the payment whereof CONTRACTOR and SURETY bind themselves, their heirs,
executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents for the faithful
performance of a certain written agreement.

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has by said written agreement dated _____ entered into a Contract with
OWNER for the construction of **AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY &
UTILITY**, Augusta, Georgia, in accordance with the drawings and specifications issued by the Augusta Aviation
Commission and the Augusta-Richmond County Commission, which contract is by reference made a part hereof, and
is hereinafter referred to as the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that, if CONTRACTOR shall
promptly and faithfully perform said Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in
full force and effect.

The SURETY hereby waives notice of any alteration or extension of time made by the OWNER.

Whenever CONTRACTOR shall be, and declared by OWNER to be in default under the Contract,
the OWNER having performed OWNER's obligations thereunder, the SURETY may promptly remedy the default, or
shall promptly

- (1) Complete the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, or
- (2) Obtain a bid or bids for completing the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and
upon determination by SURETY of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, or, if the OWNER
elects, upon determination by the OWNER and the SURETY jointly of the lowest responsive and
responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and OWNER, and make available as
Work progresses (even though there should be a default or a succession of defaults under the contract
or contracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the cost of
completion less the balance of the Contract price; but not exceeding, including other costs and
damages for which the SURETY may be liable hereunder, the amount set forth in the first paragraph
hereof. The term "balance of the Contract price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total
amount payable by OWNER to CONTRACTOR under the Contract and any amendments thereto,
less the amount properly paid by OWNER to CONTRACTOR.

Any suit under this bond must be instituted before the expiration of two (2) years from the date on
which final payment under the Contract falls due.

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

Signed and sealed this _____ day of _____ A.D. 20__.

Witness _____

(Contractor) (Seal)

Attest _____

By _____ (Seal)
(Title)

Witness _____

(Surety) (Seal)

Attest _____

By _____ (Seal)
(Title)

LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND

(NOTE: THIS BOND IS ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH PERFORMANCE BOND, IN FAVOR OF THE OWNER CONDITIONED FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That _____ as Principal,

hereinafter called CONTRACTOR, and _____

a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, with

its principal office in the City of _____, State of _____, as Surety, hereinafter called SURETY, are held and firmly bound unto AUGUSTA, GEORGIA BY AND THROUGH THE AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY COMMISSION, as Obligee, hereinafter called the OWNER, for the use and benefit of claimants as herein below defined in the amount of _____ Dollars (\$_____) for the payment whereof CONTRACTOR and SURETY bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has by written agreement dated _____ entered into a Contract with Owner for the construction of **AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY & UTILITY**, in accordance with drawings and specifications issued by the Augusta Aviation Commission and Augusta-Richmond County Commission, which Contract is by reference made a part hereof, and is hereinafter referred to as the CONTRACT.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that, if the CONTRACTOR shall promptly make payment to all claimants as hereinafter defined, for all labor and material used or reasonably required to use in the performance of the Contract, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect, subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) A claimant is defined as one having a direct contract with the CONTRACTOR or with a subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR for labor, material, or both, used or reasonably required for use in the performance of the Contract labor and material being construed as to include that part of water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service or rental of equipment directly applicable to the Contract.
- (2) The above named CONTRACTOR and SURETY hereby jointly and severally agree with the OWNER that every claimant as herein defined, who has not been paid in full before the expiration of a period of ninety (90) days after the date on which the last of such claimant's work or labor was done or performed, or materials were furnished by such claimant, may sue on this bond for the use of such claimant, prosecute the suit to final judgment for such sum or sums as may be justly due claimant, and have execution thereon. The OWNER shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any such suit.
- (3) No suit or action shall be commenced hereunder by any claimant,
 - (a) Unless claimant, other than one having a direct contract with the CONTRACTOR, shall have given written notice to any two of the following: The CONTRACTOR, the OWNER, or the SURETY above named, within ninety (90) days after such claimant did or performed the last of the work or labor, or furnished the last of the materials for which said claim is made, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials were furnished, or for whom the work or labor was done or performed.

Such notice shall be served by mailing the same by registered mail or certified mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the CONTRACTOR, OWNER or SURETY, at any place where an office regularly maintained for the transaction of business, or served in any manner in which legal process may be served in the state in which the aforesaid project is located, save that such service need not be made by a public officer.

- (b) After the expiration of one (1) year following the date on which CONTRACTOR ceased work on said Contract, it being understood, however, that if any limitation embodied in this bond is prohibited by any law controlling the construction hereof, such limitation shall be deemed to be amended so as to be equal to the minimum period of limitation permitted by such law.
 - (c) Other than in Richmond County Superior Court, or in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Georgia.
- (4) The amount of this bond shall be reduced by and to the extent of any payment or payments made in good faith hereunder, inclusive of the payment by SURETY of mechanics' liens which may be filed of record against said improvement, whether or not claim for the amount of such lien be presented under and against this bond.

Signed and sealed this _____ day of _____ A.D. 20__.

Witness _____ (Contractor) _____ (Seal)

Attest _____ By _____ (Seal)
(Title)

Witness _____ (Surety) _____ (Seal)

Attest _____ By _____ (Seal)
(Title)

NOTICE TO PROCEED

DATE: _____

SUBJECT: NOTICE TO PROCEED

PROJECT: **AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY & UTILITY,**

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified to commence work in accordance with the Contract, within Ten (10) calendar days following the date first written above, and you are to complete the work within _____ () consecutive calendar days after the date of this notice. The date set for completion of all work is therefore _____.

AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

*** ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE ***

Receipt of the above NOTICE TO PROCEED is hereby acknowledged by _____ this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

TITLE: _____

CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT made and entered into to be effective _____, 20__ by and between, AUGUSTA GEORGIA, “Augusta,” a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, acting through the AUGUSTA AVIATION COMMISSION, whose address is 1501 Aviation Way, Augusta Regional Airport at Bush Field, Augusta, Georgia 30906-9600, hereinafter called “Airport”, and PIEDMONT MINING LLC, hereinafter called “Contractor”.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Augusta is the owner and operator of a full-service commercial airport known as the Augusta Regional Airport;

WHEREAS, Augusta has solicited a bid to **CONSTRUCT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY & UTILITY**, for the Airport;

WHEREAS, the Contractor submitted a bid for said services; and

WHEREAS, Augusta, on behalf of the Airport, accepted the Contractor’s Bid for said services;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements herein contained, Augusta and the Contractor hereby agree as follows:

The Contractor’s Services shall be in accordance with the scope of services and all provisions provided herein.

ARTICLE 1 SCOPE OF THE WORK

1.1 The Contractor hereby agrees to furnish all of the materials and all of the equipment and labor necessary, and to perform all of the work shown on the Plans and described in the specifications for the Project entitled:

AUGUSTA REGIONAL AIRPORT NW DEVELOPMENT ROADWAY & UTILITY,

and in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the Contract Documents as defined in the Provisions hereto attached which are hereby incorporated and made a part of this contract.

1.2 **Definitions**

The following terms have the following meanings whenever used in the Contract Documents (defined below), or in related documents, the terms or pronouns used in place of them shall be defined as follows:

1.2.1 **Airport Executive Director.** The person tasked with the day-to-day operations of the Airport.

1.2.2 **Augusta Aviation Commission.** The Augusta Regional Airport Aviation Commission tasked with the overall administration of the Airport.

1.2.3 **Augusta, Georgia or City or Owner.** Augusta, Georgia’s Commission.

- 1.2.4 **Engineer.** The Work has been designed by Mead & Hunt, Inc., whose corporate headquarters is located at 2240 Deming Way, Middleton, WI 53562, who is hereinafter called Engineer and who is to assume all duties and responsibilities and have the rights and authority assigned to Engineer in the Contract Documents in connection with completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- 1.2.5 **Project.** Augusta Regional Airport NW Development Roadway & Utility Construction **Base Bid**, including but not limited to the construction of approximately **1,450 LF** of new two lane asphalt roadway, new **12”** water line, new sanitary sewer, fencing demolition and other miscellaneous drainage & electrical improvements.
- 1.2.6 **Airport’s Administrator.** Airport’s Representative shall be the Airport’s Executive Director or his designee.
- 1.2.7 **Contractor’s Representative(s).** The Contractor’s representative (“Contractor’s Representative”) for all dealings with Airport shall be _____. Contractor’s Representative may be changed upon prior written notice delivered to Owner.
- 1.3 Subject to controlling law, the Owner will refuse to permit the Contractor to use any employee on this job if the Owner reasonably deems that individual unfit to work at the Airport facilities in any respect.
- 1.4 All Contractor employees shall strictly adhere to Airport regulations while on the Airport premises, including but not limited to Augusta, Georgia, County, and Transportation Security Authority (TSA) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations governing access to buildings, personal conduct, and possession of prescribed substances, parking, and traffic. The Owner reserves the right to require the removal of Contractor employees from the Project.
- 1.5 **Design, Standards, and Practices.** The design, strength, quality of materials, and workmanship must conform to the highest standards of construction practices and/or services.

ARTICLE II **TERM**

- 2.1 The Contractor must begin work within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the Notice to Proceed (NTP) from the Owner. It is anticipated the NTP will be issued _____. The Contractor will mobilize with sufficient forces such that all work is completed within three hundred and eighty (**380**) calendar days after the issuance of the NTP. Contract time charges will begin as set forth in Section 80 of the General Provisions
- 2.2 Contractor working times shall be as designated on the Construction Safety & Phasing Plan sheets in the Construction Drawings. At the Owner’s discretion, work times may be further restricted.

- 2.3 For additional details please review Section 80 of the attached Specifications.
- 2.4 It is hereby understood and mutually agreed, by and between the Contractor and the Owner, that the date of beginning, rate of progress and the time for completion of the work to be done hereunder are ESSENTIAL CONDITIONS of this Contract. Contractor agrees that said work shall be prosecuted regularly, diligently, and uninterruptedly at such rate of progress as will ensure full completion thereof within the time specified. It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the Contractor and the Owner, that the time for the completion of the work described herein is a reasonable time for the completion of the same, taking into consideration the average climatic range and construction conditions prevailing in this locality.
- 2.5 It is further agreed that **time is of the essence** of each and every portion of this Contract and the specifications wherein a definite portion and certain length of time is fixed for the performance of any act whatsoever; and where under the Contract an additional time is allowed for the completion of any work, the new time limit fixed by extension shall be the essence of the Contract.

ARTICLE III **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

- 3.1 The Contractor acknowledges that time is of the essence with respect to the Work governed by the Contract. The Contractor acknowledges and recognizes that if it fails to achieve Substantial Completion of any portion of the Work within the Contract Time as may be extended in accordance with the terms of this Contract, the Owner will sustain substantial losses as a result of such failure. The Contractor further acknowledges that the Owner will suffer damages that are difficult, if not impossible, to accurately estimate. The Contractor shall be assessed liquidated damages as set forth in Section 80, Execution and Progress, subsection 80-08.

ARTICLE IV **PAYMENT**

4.1 **The Contract Sum**

The Owner shall pay to the Contractor for completion of the Work in strict accordance with the Contract Documents, and in accordance with the unit bid prices submitted on MARCH 27, 2026 with a contract price of \$2,140,506.52.

4.2 **Progress Payments**

- 4.2.1 Contractor shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with Section 90 of the General Provisions but in no case shall submit Applications for Payment more than once per month. Application for Payment will be processed by Engineer as provided in the General Provisions.

4.2.2 Progress payments will be made in an amount equal to the percentage indicated below, but, in each case, less the aggregate of payments previously made and less such amounts as Engineer shall determine, or Owner may withhold, in accordance with Section 90 of the General Provisions.

- 1) 90% of Work completed as determined by Engineer.
- 2) 90% of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work (but delivered, suitably stored and accompanied by documentation satisfactory to Owner as provided in paragraph 90-07 of the General Provisions.

4.2.3 Within ten (10) business days of receiving each Application for Payment, the Engineer shall either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the application to the Owner or return the Application to the Contractor indicating in writing necessary corrections. In the latter case, the Contractor shall make the corrections and resubmit the application.

4.3 **Invoices.**

Contractor shall submit invoices to:
Mead & Hunt, Inc.
Attn: Edwin Scott
5955 Core Road, Suite 515
North Charleston, SC 29406

4.4 **Retainage and Partial Payments.** If payment request is approved by the Owner, the approved payment request shall be submitted to the Owner's Finance Department for processing on or before the fifth day of the following month, and payment (less retainage) shall be made to the Contractor thirty (30) calendar days after the date the approved payment request is received by the Owner's finance department. If a payment request is not approved by the Owner, then no payment shall be made to the Contractor until such time as the Owner approves the payment request. The amount of retainage shall be as follows:

4.4.1 Five percent (5%) of each partial payment shall be withheld as retainage until the value of fifty percent (50%) of the Contract Price, including Change Orders and other authorized additions provided in the Contract, is due;

4.4.2 When fifty percent (50%) of the Contract Price, as described above, becomes due and the manner of completion of the Work and its progress, quality, schedule are reasonably satisfactory to the Owner, and there are no outstanding claims by the Contractor, subcontractors or material suppliers, the withholding of retainage shall be discontinued.

- 4.4.3 If after discontinuing retainage, the Owner determines that the Work is unsatisfactory or has fallen behind schedule, withholding of five percent (5%) of each request for payment may be resumed. When the Work has reached Substantial Completion and the Owner determines the Work to be reasonably acceptable, the Contractor shall submit an invoice or other documents as may be required and receive payment thereof within thirty (30) calendar days. If there are any remaining incomplete minor items, an amount equal to two hundred percent (200%) of the value of each item, as determined by the Owner, shall be withheld until such items are complete;
- 4.4.4 The Contractor shall within ten (10) calendar days from its receipt of retainage from the Owner pass through payments to Subcontractors and shall reduce each Subcontractor's retainage in the same manner as the Contractor's retainage is reduced by the Owner. The Subcontractor shall within ten (10) calendar days from the Subcontractor's receipt of retainage pass through payments to lower tier subcontractor's and shall reduce each lower tier subcontractor's retainage in the same manner as the Subcontractor's retainage is reduced.
- 4.4.5 The Contractor and Owner agree to abide by all applicable provisions of Georgia State Law concerning retainage, including but not limited to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-80. If the terms of this Contract concerning retainage conflict with Georgia State Law, Georgia State Law shall govern.

ARTICLE V **FINAL INSPECTION**

- 5.1 Upon notice from the Contractor that the Work is completed, the Owner shall make a Contractor during the course of final inspection of the Work and shall notify the Contractor of all instances where the Work fails to comply with the Drawings and Specifications, as well as any defects the Owner may discover. At no cost to the Owner, the Contractor shall immediately make such alterations as are necessary to bring the Work into compliance with the Contract, the Drawings, and Specifications.

ARTICLE XI **ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT**

- 6.1 **Final Payment.** Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work in accordance with Section 50 of the General Provisions, Owner shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price as recommended by Engineer as provided in said paragraph 90-09.
- 6.2 Before final payment is due the Contractor shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Engineer that all payrolls, material bills, and other indebtedness connected with the work have been paid, except that in case of disputed

indebtedness or liens the Contractor may submit in lieu of evidence of payment a surety bond satisfactory to the Owner guaranteeing payment of all such disputed amounts when adjudicated in cases where such payment has not already been guaranteed by surety bond.

- 6.3 The making and acceptance of the final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the Owner other than those arising from unsettled liens, from faulty work appearing within twelve (12) months after final payment, from requirements of the specifications, or from manufacturers' guarantees. It shall also constitute a waiver of all claims by the Contractor except those previously made and still unsettled.
- 6.4 If after the Work has been substantially completed, full completion thereof is materially delayed through no fault of the Contractor, and the Engineer, so certifies, the Owner shall upon certificate of the Engineer, and without terminating the Contract, make payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted. Such payment shall be made under the terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of claims.

ARTICLE VII **CHANGES**

- 7.1 The Owner may, during the Contract period, make changes to the Scope of Work, which may result in changes to the general scope of the Contract and its provisions.
- 7.2 Written/verbal agreements, changes, or amendments to this Contract shall not be binding upon the Owner unless approved and signed by the Owner in advance of performing work.
- 7.3 Contractor acknowledges that this contract and any changes to it by amendment, modification, change order or other similar document may have required or may require the legislative authorization of the Augusta Aviation Commission or Augusta, Georgia Board of Commissioners and approval of the Mayor. Under Georgia law, Contractor is deemed to possess knowledge concerning Augusta, Georgia's ability to assume contractual obligations and the consequences of Contractor's provision of goods or services to Augusta, Georgia under an unauthorized contract, amendment, modification, change order or other similar document, including the possibility that the Contractor may be precluded from recovering payment for such unauthorized goods or services. Accordingly, Contractor agrees that if it provides goods or services to Augusta, Georgia under a contract that has not received proper legislative authorization or if the Contractor provides goods or services to Augusta, Georgia in excess of the any contractually authorized goods or services, as required by Augusta, Georgia's Charter and Code, Augusta, Georgia may withhold payment for any unauthorized goods or services provided by Contractor. Contractor assumes all risk of non-payment for

the provision of any unauthorized goods or services to Augusta, Georgia, and it waives all claims to payment or to other remedies for the provision of any unauthorized goods or services to Augusta, Georgia, however characterized, including, without limitation, all remedies at law or equity.

ARTICLE VIII **INSURANCE**

- 8.1 During the term of this Contract, Contractor shall provide, pay for, and maintain with companies reasonably satisfactory to the Owner the types of insurance as set forth in the Augusta Code, and Georgia Law as the same may be amended from time to time, and as described herein. All insurance shall be issued by insurance companies eligible to do business in the State of Georgia and Best Rated A+ or equivalent. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the Augusta Code and this Contract, the more stringent requirement shall govern. In no event shall Contractor maintain any insurance less than the requirements set forth in the Augusta Code, as amended.
- 8.2 All liability policies of Contractor and its subcontractors shall provide coverage that includes, or has the same substantive effect as the following:
- 8.2.1 Augusta, Georgia, the Augusta Aviation Commission, and each of its Commissioners, officers, agents, elected representatives, volunteers, and employees, in their respective capacities as such, shall be additional insured hereunder with respect to the products, premises, and operations of the named insured.
- 8.2.2 This insurance policy shall apply as primary, and any insurance and/or self-insurance as may be maintained by the Augusta, the Augusta Aviation Commission, or its Commissioners, officers, agents, elected representatives, volunteers, and employees shall apply in excess of, and shall not contribute with insurance provided by this policy.”
- 8.2.3 This insurance shall not be materially changed, altered, canceled, or non-renewed until after thirty (30) calendar days advanced written notice has been given to Augusta, Georgia except that only ten (10) calendar days’ notice shall be required in the event of cancellation due to non-payment of premium.
- 8.3 All such evidence of insurance shall be in the form of certificates of insurance satisfactory to the Augusta and its Risk Manager, accompanied by a certified true copy of an endorsement to each policy containing the above language. Properly executed certificates of insurance shall evidence the insurance coverage and limits required. The authorized representative of the insurance company shown on the certificate shall sign these certificates. The required policies of insurance shall comply with the laws of the State of Georgia.

- 8.4 If at any time the Executive Director requests a written statement from the insurance company as to any impairment to the aggregate limit, Contractor shall promptly authorize and have delivered such statement to the Augusta Aviation Commission. Contractor authorizes the Augusta Aviation Commission and/or the Augusta's Risk Manager to confirm with Contractor's insurance agents, brokers, and insurance companies all information furnished.
- 8.5 The acceptance of delivery to the Owner of any certificate of insurance evidencing the insurance coverage and limits required under this Contract does not constitute approval or acceptance by the Owner that the insurance requirements in this Contract have been met. No operations shall commence at the Airport unless and until the required certificates of insurance are in effect and approved by the Augusta's Risk Manager.
- 8.6 The Contractor and the Owner understand and agree that the minimum limits of the insurance herein required may, from time to time, become inadequate, and Contractor agrees that it will increase such minimum limits upon receipt of written notice defining the basis of the increase. The Contractor shall furnish the Owner, within sixty (60) calendar days of the effective date thereof, a certificate of insurance evidencing that such insurance is in force.
- 8.7 Contractor's insurance companies or its authorized representative shall give the Owner thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice of any cancellation, intent not to renew, or material reduction in any policy's coverage, except in the application of the Aggregate Limit Provisions. In the event of a reduction to the Aggregate Limit, it is agreed that immediate steps will be taken to have the prior Aggregate Limit reinstated.
- 8.8 If at any time, the Airport Executive Director requests a written statement from the insurance companies as to any impairment(s) to the Aggregate Limit, prompt authorization and delivery of all requested information will be given to the Augusta Aviation Commission. Renewal Certificates of Insurance must be provided to the Owner as soon as practical but in every instance prior to expiration of current coverage.
- 8.9 The amounts and types of insurance shall conform to the following minimum requirements with the use of Insurance Service Office policies, forms, and endorsements or broader, where applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the wording of all policies, forms, and endorsements must be reasonably acceptable to the Owner.

8.10 Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance shall be maintained in force by Contractor during the term of this Contract for all employees engaged in the operations under this Contract. The limits of coverage shall not be less than:

Workers' Compensation	Georgia Statutory
Employer's Liability	\$1,000,000.00 Limit Each Accident
	\$1,000,000.00 Limit Disease Aggregate
	\$1,000,000.00 Limit Disease Each Employee

8.11 **Commercial General Liability** – Occurrence Form. Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage, personal injury and broad form contractual liability coverage with limits no less than five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in Broad Form Comprehensive General Liability insurance.

8.12 **Automobile Liability Insurance.** For any vehicles authorized in writing by the Executive Director to operate on the Aircraft Operating Area (AOA) of the Airport, Automobile Insurance in the minimum amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) combined single limit coverage. If the Contractor's Comprehensive General Liability coverage includes vehicular operations on the Airport, separate automobile insurance shall not be required. The foregoing insurance shall be endorsed to state that it will be primary to the Augusta, Georgia and the Augusta Aviation Commission's insurance and that the carrier waives its right of subrogation against Augusta, Georgia, the Augusta Aviation Commission, and their officers, agents, elected and appointed officials, representatives, volunteers, and employees. Augusta, Georgia, the Augusta Aviation Commission, and their officers, agents, employees, elected and appointed officials shall be added as additional insureds on said policies. Said policy shall contain Severability of Interest Clause and shall include contractual liability coverage at least as broad as that given in the most current CA 00 01 ISO form.

8.13 **Excess Liability:** \$2,000,000.00

Policy must follow form of General Liability Policy and all insurance together for general liability must total at least a minimum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00). Any form of underlying and excess policies may satisfy such requirement.

8.14 The Commercial General Liability Insurance coverage as required in the paragraph above shall include those classifications, as listed in Standard Liability Insurance Manuals, which are applicable to the operations of the Contractor in the performance of this Contract.

8.15 Within sixty (60) calendar days of the effective date thereof or any subsequent term, Contractor shall provide Owner with certificate(s) of insurance evidencing that such insurance as described herein be in force. Insurance binder letter(s) or a Certificate(s) of Insurance as described above must be sent to the address below with a copy to the Owner:

Augusta, Georgia
Risk Management
535 Telfair Street
Suite 920
Augusta, GA 30901
(706) 821-2502 (Fax)

8.16 **Subcontractors.** It is the sole responsibility of the general Contractor to ensure that all subcontractors working under it have separately procured any and all types and limits of insurance that are required under any and all pertinent local, state, or federal ordinances or resolutions that are suitable for the particular trade that the subcontractor is performing. It is also the sole responsibility of the general and/or prime Contractor to ensure that any and all subcontractors or vendors carry types and limits of insurance not less than those listed herein and that the subcontractors and/or vendors carry and/or procure endorsements to waive all subrogation rights against and name “Augusta, Georgia, its appointed and elected Officials, departments, agencies, boards, commissions, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers” as additional insureds.

ARTICLE IX **AIRPORT SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

9.1 Contractor’s employees shall be required to operate in Airport’s secure areas. Contractor shall be required to obtain the Airport’s Security Identification Display Area (SIDA) badges for any employee working in the secured area. Contractor shall comply, at its own expense, with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Owner’s security requirements for the Airport including, but not limited to employee training and badges. Contractor shall cooperate with the TSA and the Owner on all security matters and shall promptly comply with any project security arrangements established by the Owner. Compliance with such security requirements shall not relieve Contractor of its responsibility for maintaining proper security for the above-noted items, nor shall it be construed as limiting in any manner Contractor’s obligation with respect to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations and its duty to undertake reasonable action to establish and maintain secure conditions at and around the Project and throughout the Airport. All employees shall be properly badged and comply with all Owner’s safety and security rules.

9.2 Any Contractor employees assigned to work in a secured area are required to be “badged” or a “badged” Contractor employee must escort them the entire time they are in these secured areas.

- 9.3 To qualify for the badge, individual must be fingerprinted and have a background investigation completed. In addition, the Owner will conduct a background inquiry and require finger printing of all individuals who will be working on the secured side of the Airport screening point. This may also include collection of appropriate criminal history information, contractual and business associations and practices, employment histories, reputation in the business community and credit reports for the Contractor, as well as, its employees.
- 9.4 Contractor consents to such an inquiry and agrees to make available to the Owner such books and records the Owner deems necessary to conduct the review.
- 9.5 Contractor shall pay all costs associated with providing SIDA badges.
- 9.6 Contractor shall be responsible for any fines assessed by the FAA or TSA as a result of the actions of its employees or subcontractors.

ARTICLE X **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

In order to induce the Owner to enter into this Contract, Contractor hereby represents and warrants that as of the date above written that:

- 10.1 Contractor is duly organized and validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of _____ in which it is organized, is qualified to do business in all jurisdictions in which it is operating, and has the power and authority to execute and deliver and to perform its obligations under this Contract and the documents to which it is signatory; and
- 10.2 The execution, delivery and performance by Contractor and its undersigned representative(s) of this Contract and other documents to which Contractor is a signatory do not require the approval or consent of any other person, entity or government agency and do not result in any breach of any agreement to which Contractor is a party or by which it is bound; and
- 10.3 The execution, delivery and performance by Contractor of this Contract and other documents to which it is a signatory have been duly authorized by all necessary action, and constitute legal, valid, and binding obligations of Contractor, enforceable against Contractor in accordance with its terms; and

- 10.4 No action, suit or proceeding to which Contractor is a party is pending or threatened that may restrain or question this Contract, or any other document to which it is a signatory, or the enjoyment of rights or benefits contemplated herein; and
- 10.5 Contractor has all State of Georgia Licenses and permits required for the performance of the Work and shall only use properly licensed and trained persons to perform such services.

ARTICLE XI
NOTICES

- 11.1 **Delivery.** All notices given by either party to the other under this Contract must be in writing and delivered by: (i) regular mail, postage prepaid; (ii) certified or registered mail; (iii) facsimile; or (iv) hand - delivery, to the parties at the addresses and facsimile numbers set forth in the Clause titled “Addresses.”
- 11.2 **Receipt.** Notices sent by mail will be deemed to be received upon deposit in the mail, properly addressed. Notices sent by certified or registered mail will be deemed to be received upon the date of the acknowledgment. Notices sent by facsimile will be deemed to be received upon successful transmission to the proper facsimile number. Notices delivered by hand- delivery will be deemed to be received upon acceptance by the respective party or its agent.
- 11.3 **Change of Address or Facsimile Number.** Either party may, at any time, change its respective address or facsimile number by sending written notice to the other party of the change.
- 11.4 **Addresses.**

To OWNER:

Augusta Regional Airport
Attn: Executive Director
1501 Aviation Way
Augusta, Georgia 30906
Telephone: (706) 798-3236
Fax: (706) 798-1551

With a copy to:

Augusta General Counsel
Augusta Richmond County Department of Law
535 Telfair St.
Building 3000
Augusta, GA 30901
Fax: (706) 842-5556

To CONTRACTOR:

Attn:

Telephone:
Fax:

- 11.5 Georgia Prompt Pay Act not applicable. The terms of this agreement supersede any and all provisions of the Georgia Prompt Pay Act.

ARTICLE XII
INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

- 12.1 Except where, and to the extent caused by the gross negligence of Augusta, Georgia, the Augusta Aviation Commission, their agents, employees, contractors, officers or, Contractor shall protect, defend, reimburse, indemnify, and hold Augusta, Georgia, the Augusta Aviation Commission, its members, agents, employees, and elected officers and each of them, free and harmless at all times as set forth in Augusta, Georgia Code, and particularly Article 1, Chapter 3, Division 1, Section 1-3-8.5, Indemnity and Insurance, as the same may be amended from time to time, and described herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the Augusta Code and this Contract, the broader requirement shall govern.

ARTICLE XIII
PERMITS

- 13.1 Contractor shall obtain and maintain at all times all necessary licenses, permits, and certifications to perform the work described in the Contract. Contractor shall furnish copies of all licenses, permits, and certifications to the Administrator.

ARTICLE XIV
WORK PERMITS REQUIRED

- 14.1 Contractor agrees and acknowledges that its employees and agent's employees, as well as any subcontractors or subcontractors' personnel, working on the Contract must be United States citizens, or must be lawfully admitted for residence and be permitted to work in the United States under the Immigration and Naturalization Act, 8 U.S.C. 1101, et. seq.

ARTICLE XV
FEDERAL WORK AUTHORIZATION

- 15.1 Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-1-.02, the Owner cannot enter a contract for the physical performance of services unless the Contractor and its Subcontractors register and participate in the Federal Work Authorization Program to verify specific information on all new employees.

- 15.2 The Contractor certifies that it has complied and will continue to comply with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-1-.02.
- 15.3 The Contractor agrees to sign an affidavit evidencing its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13- 10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-1-.02. The signed affidavit is attached to this Contract as an exhibit
- 15.4 The Contractor agrees that in the event that it employs or contracts with any Subcontractor(s) in connection with this Contract, the Contractor will secure from each Subcontractor an affidavit that indicates the employee-number category applicable to that Subcontractor and certifies the Subcontractor's current and continuing compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-1-.02. Any signed Subcontractor affidavit(s) obtained in connection with this Contract shall be attached hereto as an exhibit.

ARTICLE XVI **MISCELLANEOUS CONTRACT PROVISIONS**

16.1 Independent Contractor/Subcontractor

Contractor is acting, in performance of this Contract, as an independent contractor. Personnel supplied by the Contractor or its agents or subcontractors hereunder are not the Owner's employees or agents and Contractor assumes full responsibility for their acts. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the payment of compensation to Contractor's employees. The Owner shall not be responsible for payment of Worker's Compensation, disability benefits, and unemployment insurance or for withholding and paying employment taxes for any Contractor employee, or Contractor's subcontractors or its agent's employees, but such responsibility shall be solely that of Contractor. This clause of the contract does not prevent the Airport from requiring Contractor to have its employees follow normal rules and guidelines for work performance, redirecting the efforts of the employees to meet the needs of the facilities, performing safety or from requiring Contractor to perform the requirements of this Contract satisfactorily, according to the General Conditions, Scope of Services, Performance Work Statement, Service Performance Standards and Methods described herein.

16.2 Force Majeure

16.2.1 Neither party hereto shall be considered in default in the performance of its obligations hereunder to the extent that the performance of any such obligation, except the payment of money, is prevented or delayed by any cause, existing or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of the affected party, or by a strike, lockout or other labor difficulty, the settlement of which shall be within the sole discretion of the party involved.

16.2.2 Each party hereto shall give notice promptly to the other of the nature and extent of any Force Majeure claimed to delay, hinder or prevent performance of the services under this Contract. In the event either party is prevented or delayed in the performance of this obligation because of such Force Majeure, there shall be an equitable adjustment of the schedule. In the event there is a fluctuation in the costs or price associated with the project due to occurrence of a force majeure event, such price differential shall be borne by the party claiming the force majeure delay. However, if the party claiming the delay can show good faith efforts to mitigate the costs and demonstrates that the party's action, inaction, or omission did not contribute to the price or costs fluctuation, said increased costs shall be borne equally by both parties.

16.2.3 Contractor will not be liable for failure to perform or for delay in performance because of Force Majeure, including the following:

16.2.3.1 any cause beyond its reasonable control;

16.2.3.2 any act of God;

16.2.3.3 inclement weather;

16.2.3.4 earthquake;

16.2.3.5 fire;

16.2.3.6 explosion;

16.2.3.7 flood;

16.2.3.8 strike or other labor dispute;

16.2.3.9 any shortage or disruption of or inability to obtain labor, material, manufacturing facilities, power, fuel, or transportation from unusual sources, or any other;

16.2.3.10 delay or failure to act of any governmental or military authority;

16.2.3.11 any war, hostility, or invasion;

16.2.3.12 any embargo, sabotage, civil disturbance, riot, or insurrection;

16.2.3.13 any legal proceedings; or

16.2.3.14 failure to act by Contractor's suppliers due to any cause which Contractor is not responsible, in whole or in part.

16.2.3.15 any disease, epidemic, or pandemic

16.3 **Commercial Activities**

Neither Contractor nor its employees may establish any commercial activity or issue concessions or permits of any kind to third parties for establishing activities at the Airport.

16.4 **Records and Audit**

Contractor and its subcontractors shall maintain records and accounts in connection with all aspects in the performance of this Contract, including those, which will accurately document incurred costs, both direct and indirect, of whatever nature, during and for a period of three (3) years from the expiration or other termination of this Contract, unless otherwise specified by applicable law. The Owner may examine and copy, at all reasonable times, with advance notification, those records and accounts. Contractor shall maintain all records in a central location in Augusta, Georgia.

16.5 **Contingent Fees**

Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working for Contractor, to solicit or secure this Contract; and that Contractor has not paid or agreed to pay any company, association, corporation, firm or person, other than a bona fide employee working for Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract. For the breach or violation of this warranty and upon a finding after notice and hearing, the Owner may terminate the Contract and, at its discretion, may deduct from the Contract sum, or otherwise recover the full amount of any such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

16.6 **Rights and Remedies**

The rights and remedies of the Owner provided in this paragraph are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

16.7 **Non-Appropriations**

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract, if sufficient funds have not been appropriated to support continuation of this Contract for an additional calendar year or an additional term of the Contract, this Contract shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the Owner at the close of the calendar year of its execution or if the Owner suspends performance pending the appropriation of funds.

16.8 **Assignment**

Without the prior written consent of the Owner, Contractor may not assign, transfer, or convey any of its interests under this Contract, nor delegate any of its obligations or duties under this Contract except as provided herein.

- 16.8.1 **Consent of the Owner Required.** Any assignment of this Contract or rights under this Contract, in whole or part, without the prior written consent of the Owner will be void, except that, upon ten-(10) calendar days prior written notice to the Owner, Contractor may assign monies due or to become due under this Contract. Any assignment of monies will be subject to proper setoffs in favor of the Owner and to any deductions provided for in this Contract.
- 16.8.2 **No Relief of Responsibilities.** No assignment will be approved which would relieve Contractor of its responsibilities under this Contract.
- 16.9 **Parties Bound.** This Contract will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Owner and Contractor and their respective successors and assigns.
- 16.10 **No Partnership or Joint Venture.** Nothing contained in this Contract will be deemed to create a partnership or joint venture between the Owner and Contractor or cause the Owner to be responsible for the debts or obligations of Contractor or any other party. Contractor must not represent to anyone that its relationship to the Owner is other than as the Owner's Contractor. Contractor must act as an independent agent and not as the agent of the Owner in performing this Contract and shall maintain complete control over its employees and all of its lower-tier suppliers and subcontractors. Nothing contained in this Contract or any lower tier purchase order or subcontract awarded by Contractor will create any contractual relationship between any lower-tier supplier or subcontractor and the Owner. No act or direction of the Owner shall be deemed to be the exercise of supervision or control of the Contractor's performance hereunder.
- 16.11 **Waiver**
- The failure of the Owner to seek redress for any violation of or to insist upon the strict performance of, any term of this Contract will not prevent a subsequent violation of this Contract from being actionable by the Owner. The provision in this Contract of any particular remedy will not preclude the Owner from any other remedy.
- 16.12 **Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations**
- Contractor covenants and agrees that it, its agents and employees shall comply with all Georgia, county, state, and federal laws, Airport Rules and Regulations, and Augusta, Georgia Ordinances applicable to the work to be performed under this Contract, and that it shall obtain all necessary permits, pay all license fees and taxes to comply therewith. Further, Contractor agrees that it, its agents, and employees will abide by all rules, regulations, and policies of Airport during the term of this Contract, including any renewal periods.

16.13 **Patent Indemnity**

Except as otherwise provided, the Contractor shall indemnify Augusta, Georgia and its Board of Commissioners, officers, agents, and employees against liability, including costs and expenses for infringement upon any letters or patent of the United States arising out of the performance of this Contract or out of the use or disposal by or for the account of the Owner of supplies furnished or construction work performed hereunder.

16.14 **Use of Augusta, Georgia Landfill**

Contractor shall dispose of all debris and trash from the Airport will be transported to and disposed of at the Augusta, Georgia Solid Waste Landfill in accordance with local and state regulations. The Contractor shall provide evidence of proper disposal through manifests, which shall include the types of material disposed of, the name and location of the disposal facility, date of disposal and all related fees.

16.15 **Inspection**

The Owner may, at reasonable times, inspect the part of the plant, place of business, or work site of a contractor or subcontractor or subunit thereof which is pertinent to the performance of the contract.

16.16 **Temporary Suspension or Delay of Performance of Contract**

To the extent that it does not alter the scope of this Contract the Owner may unilaterally order a temporary stopping of the work or delaying of the work to be performed by the Contractor under this Contract.

16.17 **Entire Agreement**

This Contract, together with all of the attachments shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties and any prior understanding or representation of any kind preceding the date of this Contract shall not be binding upon either party except to the extent incorporated in this Contract.

16.18 **Governing Law**

This Contract will be construed under Georgia law, including the Georgia Uniform Commercial Code; all remedies available under that code are applicable to this Contract. Contractor and the Owner fix jurisdiction and venue for any action brought with respect to this Contract in Augusta, Georgia.

16.19 **Legal Construction**

If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, that invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability will not affect any other provision of this Contract and this Contract will be construed as if the invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained in this Contract.

16.20 **Prior Contracts Superseded**

This Contract and the attachments constitute the sole and only agreement between Contractor and Owner with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersede any prior understandings or written or oral contracts respecting the subject matter of this Contract.

16.21 **Counterparts**

This Contract may be executed concurrently in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which will together constitute one (1) Contract.

16.22 **Further Acts**

Owner and Contractor each agrees to perform any additional acts and execute and deliver any additional documents as may reasonably be necessary in order to carry out the provisions and affect the intent of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be executed by their appropriate officials, as of the date first written above.

[SIGNATURES ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

Garnett L. Johnson, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lena J. Bonner, Clerk of Commission

AUGUSTA AVIATION COMMISSION

Ronic West, Aviation Commission Chair

Attest: _____
Jennifer Humphrey, Clerk of Augusta Aviation Commission

CONTRACTOR

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this ____ day of _____, 202____.

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

(NOTARIAL SEAL)