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Ms. Shani Bradshaw Sanger Texas Development Corporation 201 Bolivar Street Sanger, Texas 76266

RE: Engagement Letter for Hourly Representation

Dear Ms. Bradshaw:

The purpose of this letter, together with the enclosed "Standard Terms of Engagement," is to set out our understanding with respect to the specific terms of our relationship. Please review the Standard Terms of Engagement carefully and contact us promptly if you have any questions regarding our relationship. This letter, together with the Standard Terms of Engagement, constitutes our agreement with you (this "Agreement") under which our services will be provided.

Identity of Client

We will be representing the interests of the Sanger Texas Development Corporation, a Type B economic development corporation (the "EDC").

Time of Performance

The services will be performed within a mutually agreed upon schedule.

Nature and Scope of Representation

We understand that our present relationship is to provide legal advice to the EDC on and as needed basis concerning economic development sales tax issues and related issues.

Financial Arrangements

The enclosed Standard Terms of Engagement, together with this letter, outlines the financial terms of our engagement. The hourly rate for any partners of the firm is \$250.00 per hour. Associates of the firm will be billed at \$225.00 per hour. Billing will accrue in one tenth (1/10th) of an hour increments.

Acceptance of Terms

If this arrangement is acceptable to you and the EDC, please sign the enclosed duplicate original of this letter and return it to us at your earliest convenience.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you and look forward to working with the EDC, in a mutually beneficial relationship.

Very truly yours,

JEFFREY L. MOORE

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED:

SANGER TEXAS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Ву:	Date:
Name:	
Title:	
cc: Billing Department	

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BROWN & HOFMEISTER, L.L.P. STANDARD TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT

This statement sets forth the standard terms of our engagement as your attorneys. Unless modified in writing by mutual agreement, these terms will be an integral part of our agreement with you. Therefore, we ask that you review this statement carefully and contact us promptly if you have any questions. We suggest that you retain this statement in your file.

1. The Scope of Our Work

You should have a clear understanding of the legal services we will provide. Any questions that you have should be dealt with promptly. We will provide services related only to matters as to which we have been specifically engaged.

We will at all times act on your behalf to the best of our ability. Any expressions on our part concerning the outcome of your legal matters are expressions of our best professional judgment, but are not guarantees. Such opinions are necessarily limited by our knowledge of the facts and are based on the state of the law at the time they are expressed. We cannot guarantee the success of any given matter, but we will strive to represent your interests professionally and efficiently.

2. <u>Fees For Legal Services</u>

Our charges for professional services are customarily based on the time devoted to the matter, the novelty and difficulty of the questions presented, the requisite experience, reputation and skill requested to deal with those questions, time limitations imposed by the circumstances, and the amount involved and the results obtained. Unless otherwise indicated in writing, our fees for legal services are determined on the basis of the hourly rates of the respective lawyers and paralegals who perform the services. These rates vary depending on the expertise and experience of the individual. We adjust these rates from time to time, increasing them as the individuals gain experience and expertise and to reflect current economic conditions. We will notify you in writing if this fee structure is modified.

3. Other Charges

All out-of-pocket expenses (such as long-distance telephone charges, copying charges, travel expenses, messenger expenses and the like) incurred by us in connection with our representation of you will be billed to you as a separate item on your hourly statement. We have enclosed a schedule which indicates the rate at which most of these items will be charged.

4. Billing Procedures and Terms of Payment

Our billing period begins on the 1st of the month and ends on the end of the month. We will render periodic statements to you for legal services and expenses. We usually mail these

periodic statements toward the end of the month following the latest date covered in the statement. Each statement is payable within 30 days of its stated date and must be paid in U.S. Dollars.

If you have any question or disagreement about any statement that we submit to you for payment, please contact me at your earliest convenience so that we can resolve any problems without delay. Typically, such questions or disagreements can be resolved to the satisfaction of both sides with little inconvenience or formality.

5. Termination of Services

You have the right at any time to terminate our employment upon written notice to us, and if you do we will immediately cease to render additional services. We reserve the right to discontinue work on pending matters or terminate our attorney-client relationship with you at any time that payment of your account becomes delinquent. Additionally, in the event that you fail to follow our advice and counsel, or otherwise fail to cooperate reasonably with us, we reserve the right to withdraw from representing you upon short notice, regardless of the then status of your matter. No termination shall relieve you of the obligation to pay fees and expenses incurred prior to such termination.

6. Retention of Documents

Although historically we have attempted to retain for a reasonable time copies of most documents generated by this Firm, we cannot be held responsible in any way for failure to do so, and we hereby expressly disclaim any such responsibility or liability. You must ultimately retain all originals and copies you desire among your own files for future reference.

7. Fee Estimates

We are often requested to estimate the amount of fees and costs likely to be incurred in connection with a particular matter. Our attorneys do their best to estimate fees and expenses for particular matters when asked to do so. However, an estimate is just that, and the fees and expenses required are ultimately a function of many conditions over which we have little or no control, especially in litigation or negotiation situations where the extent of necessary legal services may depend to a significant degree upon the tactics of the opposition. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with respect to a specific matter, all estimates made by us shall be subject to your agreement and understanding that such estimates do not constitute maximum or fixed fee quotations and that the ultimate cost is frequently more or less than the amount estimated.

8. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, United States of America. Venue of any case or controversy arising under or pursuant to this Agreement shall be in Denton County, Texas, United States of America.

9. Questions

If you have any questions from time to time about any aspect of our arrangements, please feel entirely free to raise those questions. We want to proceed in our work for you with a clear and satisfactory understanding about every aspect of our billing and payment policies; and we encourage an open and frank discussion of any or all of the matters mentioned in this memorandum.

BROWN & HOFMEISTER, L.L.P. CLIENT COSTS ADVANCED SCHEDULE

The Firm incurs expenses on behalf of clients only when required by the legal needs of the clients. Some cases or matters require extensive use of copy facilities, and other cases may not be so paper-intensive. Standard services such as secretarial and word processing time, file setup and file storage are not charged; however, other expenses such as long distance fees, copies, delivery fees and fax charges are billed to the client requiring those services. An explanation of the billing structure is as follows:

Delivery Services

Outside delivery services are used only when firm runners are not available and an urgent delivery is required. Outside delivery fees are charged to the client at the rate charged to the Firm. Overnight delivery services also are charged at the rate charged to the Firm with no markup.

Postage

Our postal equipment calculates exact U.S. postage for all sizes and weights of posted material. The rate charged for postage is the same as the amount affixed to the material that is mailed. We will not charge clients for standard postage; however, the cost of certified mail or other additional mail services will be charged to the client with no markup.

Copies

Our standard rate for copies made by firm personnel is \$.15 per copy. This charge covers paper, equipment costs and other supplies. If savings can be realized within the required time frame by sending copy jobs to subcontractors, the firm uses only qualified legal services copiers and the cost charged to the client is the same as the amount billed to the Firm with no markup.

Computerized Research

If a legal matter requires the use of computerized legal research, trained and skilled legal researchers are used to minimize on-line data charges. The cost charged to the client for computerized legal research is the same as the amount billed to the Firm.

<u>Fax</u>

Fax copies will be charged at the rate of \$.25 per outgoing page. There is no charge for incoming faxes.

Trave!

Attorney time spent traveling on behalf of a client will be billed to the client. Hotel, meal,

local transportation and similar expenses are charged based on receipts and travel expense forms submitted by the attorney. Documentation is available to the client if requested.

Other Expenses

Expenses incurred to outside providers in connection with the client's legal services should be paid by the client directly to the outside provider unless specifically arranged in advance. If the Firm agrees to pay outside providers, the cost charged to the client is the same as the amount billed to the Firm. Examples of such charges include: court reporter fees, filing fees, newspaper charges for publication notices, expert witness fees, consultants and other similar expenses. Such expenses will not be incurred without approval from the client.