

PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

THE CITY OF POMONA

AND

LOS ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTIES

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

AND THE SIGNATORY CRAFT COUNCILS AND UNIONS

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**CITY OF POMONA**  
**PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT**

This Project Labor Agreement (“Agreement” or “PLA”) is entered into on February \_\_, 2024, by and between the City of Pomona and its successors or assigns (“City”), the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council (“Council”), and the signatory Craft Councils and Local Unions signing this Agreement (collectively, the “Union” or “Unions”). This Agreement establishes the labor relations Policies and Procedures for the City and for the craft employees represented by the Unions engaged in the City’s Improvement Projects as more fully described below. The City, Council and Unions are hereinafter referred to herein, as the context may require, as “Party” or “Parties.”

It is understood by the Parties to this Agreement that if this Agreement is acceptable to the City, it will become the policy of the City for the Project Work to be contracted exclusively to Contractors who agree to execute and be bound by the terms of this Agreement, directly or through the Letter of Assent (a form of which is attached as Attachment A), and to require each of its subcontractors, of whatever tier, to become bound. The City shall include, directly or by incorporation by reference, the requirements of this Agreement in the advertisement of and/or specifications for each and every contract for Project Work to be awarded by the City.

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 "Agreement" means this Project Labor Agreement.

Section 1.2 "Apprentice" means those employees indentured and participating in a Joint Labor/Management Apprenticeship Program approved by the State of California, Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Apprenticeship Standards.

Section 1.3 "Construction Contract" and "Construction Contracts" means any contract entered into by the City as defined by Section 2.2.

Section 1.4 "Contractor" means any individual firm, partnership or corporation, or combination thereof, including joint ventures, which is an independent business enterprise and which has entered into a Construction Contract with the City or any of its contractors or any of the City's or contractor's subcontractors of any tier, with respect to the construction of any part of

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a Project under contract terms and conditions approved by the City and which incorporate this Agreement.

Section 1.5 "City" means the City of Pomona.

Section 1.6 "Joint Labor/Management Apprenticeship Program" as used in this Agreement means a joint Union and Contractor administered apprenticeship program certified by the State of California, Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Apprenticeship Standards.

Section 1.7 "Letter of Assent" means the document that each Contractor (of any tier) must sign and submit to the City before beginning any Project Work, which formally binds such Contractor(s) to adherence to all the forms, requirements, and conditions of this Agreement in the form attached hereto as Attachment A.

Section 1.8 "Local Resident" as used in this agreement is as defined in section 3.5(a).

Section 1.9 "Master Labor Agreements" or "MLA" as used in this Agreement means the local collective bargaining agreements of the signatory Unions having jurisdiction over the Project Work and which have signed this Agreement.

Section 1.10 "Project," "City Project," or "Project Work" means the construction work to be performed by the City on City property or within easements secured by the City consisting of the construction of public projects, pursuant to a Construction Contract entered into by the City, as more fully described in Article 2, below.

Section 1.11 "Project Labor Coordinator" means a City Representative or Designee as used in this agreement.

Section 1.12 "Subscription Agreement" means the contract between a Contractor and a Union's Labor/Management Trust Fund(s) that allows the Contractor to make the appropriate fringe benefit contributions in accordance with the terms of a Master Labor Agreement.

Section 1.13 The use of masculine or feminine gender or titles in this Agreement should be construed as including both genders and not as gender limitations unless the Agreement clearly

requires a different construction. Further, the use of Article titles and/or Section headings are for information only and carry no legal significance.

## ARTICLE 2 INTENT AND PURPOSE

**Section 2.1 Background.** The goal of this Project is to provide new construction of a parking structure on City property so as to provide additional and sufficient parking facilities for the downtown Pomona area. The City, therefore, wishing to utilize the most modern, efficient, and effective procedures for such construction, including assurances of a sufficient supply of skilled craft personnel, and the elimination of disruptions or interference with Project Work, adopts this Agreement in the best interests of the residents, City staff, and the taxpayers of the City to meet the City's goal that Project Work be completed on time and within budget.

**Section 2.2 Identification and Retention of Skilled Labor and Employment of Local Residents.** The construction of the Project will require large numbers of craft personnel and other supporting workers. The Parties understand and intend to use the opportunities provided by the Project Work to identify and promote, through cooperative efforts, programs, and procedures (which may include, for example, programs to prepare persons for entrance into formal Apprenticeship Programs, or outreach programs to the community describing opportunities available as a result of the Project), the interest and involvement of Local Residents in the construction industry; assist them in entering the construction trades, and through utilization of the joint labor/management sponsored Apprenticeship Programs, provide training opportunities for those Local Residents and other individuals wishing to pursue a career in construction. Further, with assistance of the Project Labor Coordinator, the City, the Contractors, the Unions, and their affiliated regional and national organizations, will work jointly to develop and implement procedures promptly for the identification of craft needs, the scheduling of work to facilitate the utilization of available craft workers, and to secure the services of craft workers in sufficient numbers to meet the demands of the Project Work to be undertaken.

**Section 2.3 Encouragement of Local Businesses.** The Project will provide many opportunities for Local Businesses to participate as Contractors or suppliers, and the Parties therefore agree that they will cooperate with all efforts of the City, the Project Labor Coordinator, and other organizations retained by the City for the purpose of encouraging and assisting the participation of Local Businesses in Project Work. This may include, for example, participation in outreach programs, education and assistance to businesses not familiar with working on a project of this scope, and the encouragement of Local Residents to participate in Project Work through programs and procedures jointly developed to prepare and encourage such Local Residents for Apprenticeship Programs and formal employment on the Project through the referral programs sponsored and supported by the Parties. Further, the Parties shall ensure that the provisions of this Agreement do not inadvertently establish impediments to the participation of Local Businesses and Local Residents.

**Section 2.4 Project Cooperation.** The Parties recognize that the construction to take place under this Agreement may involve unique and special circumstances which may dictate the need

for the Parties to develop specific procedures to promote high-quality, rapid, and uninterrupted construction methods and practices. The smooth operation and successful and timely completion of the work is vitally important to the residents and business owners of the City. The Parties therefore agree that maximum cooperation is required; and that with cot; construction work of this magnitude, with multiple contractors and crafts performing work on multiple sites of over an extended period of time, the Parties agree to work in a spirit of harmony and cooperation, and with an overriding commitment to maintain the continuity of Project Work Further, the Parties recognize that an act of god or an act of war could require the City to partially or fully suspend Project Work; the Parties shall fully cooperate with any request by the City to redirect their equipment, skills, and expertise to support the City's efforts necessitated by such events.

Section 2.5 Workers' Compensation Carve Out. The Parties recognize the potential which the Project may provide for the implementation of a cost-effective workers' compensation system as permitted by *Labor Code* Section 3201.5. Should the City request, the Unions agree to meet and negotiate in good faith with representatives of the City for the development, and subsequent implementation, of an effective program involving improved and revised dispute resolution and medical care procedures for the delivery of workers compensation benefits and medical coverage as permitted by law.

Section 2.6 Peaceful Resolution of All Disputes. In recognition of the special needs of the Project, and to maintain a spirit of harmony, and labor-management peace and stability; during the term of this Agreement, the Parties agree to establish effective and binding methods for the settlement of all misunderstandings, disputes, and grievances; and in recognition of such methods and procedures, the Unions agree not to engage in any strike, slowdown, or interruptions or disruption of Project Work, and the Contractors agree not to engage in any lockout or any other action impairing or impeding the Project Work.

Section 2.7 Assistance in Maintaining Labor Peace. The City may request good faith assistance from the Unions to facilitate labor peace at City owned construction sites. This provision expressly has no application to unions of the City's own employees.

Section 2.8 Binding Agreement. The Parties and the Contractors agree to be bound by all of the provisions of this Agreement, and pledge that they will work together to adopt, develop, and implement processes and procedures which are inclusive of Local Residents and Local Businesses.

### **ARTICLE 3**

#### **SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENT**

Section 3.1 General This Agreement shall apply and is limited to all of the City's Project Work, as specified in Section 2.2 of this Article, performed by those Contractor(s) of whatever tier that have contracts awarded for such work, for the development of the City's facilities which, jointly, constitute the Project, and have been designated by the City for construction or rehabilitation.



Section 3.2    Specific            The work covered by this Agreement is defined and limited to:

(a) ~~(b)~~ All construction, abatement, demolition, renovation, rehabilitation, upgrade and improvement work and new construction work pursuant to prime multi-trade contracts that exceed \$500,000.00 and all subcontracts arising from these prime contracts; and

(b) All prime specialty contracts that exceed \$75,000.00, and all subcontracts arising from these specialty contracts;

(c) ~~(c)~~ Work covered by this Agreement shall also include projects built by, with or for the City where the City has a “Proprietary Interest” in a project. For the purposes of this Article, Proprietary Interest means: Where the City owns all or part of the project site or project to be developed, has an investment in the project site or project to be developed that exceeds one-million dollars, will receive income and/or tax increments from the project that exceeds one-million dollars, provides for financing of the project, or arranges for grants to supplement project financing.

(d) It is understood by the Parties that the City may at any time, and at its sole discretion, add additional projects under this Agreement not set forth in subsections (a) and (b), above.

Section 3.3    Bundling of Contracts            The Parties understand that, to the maximum extent feasible, and consistent with goals of the City to (i) utilize this Agreement as the labor relations policy for its construction and rehabilitation program and (ii) fully utilize the services of local small business enterprises for such construction and rehabilitation work:

(a) The City, in its sole discretion, will seek to group (or “bundle”) for bidding, contracts not meeting the thresholds of Section 2.2 (a) or (b) above. (Small contracts for like types of work, scheduled to be undertaken at the same facility or on the same project site, and within the same timeframe, will be considered for such bundling, consistent with economies of scale, and the purposes of this Agreement); and

(b) Project Work will not be split, divided, or otherwise separated for contract award purposes to avoid application of this Agreement.

Section 3.4 This Agreement shall not apply to any work of any Contractor other than that on Project Work specifically covered by this Agreement.

Section 3.5 Exclusions Items specifically excluded from the Scope of this Agreement include the following:

(a) Work of non-manual employees, including but not limited to: superintendents; supervisors; staff engineers; time keepers; mail carriers; clerks; office workers; messengers; guards; safety personnel; emergency medical and first aid technicians; and other professional, engineering, administrative, supervisory and management employees;

(b) Equipment and machinery owned or controlled and operated by the City;

(c) All off-site manufacture and handling of materials, equipment, or machinery; provided, however, that lay down or storage areas for equipment or material and manufacturing (prefabrication) sites, dedicated solely to the Project or Project Work, and the movement of materials or goods between locations on a Project site are within the scope of this Agreement;

(d) All employees of the City, Project Labor Coordinator, design teams (including, but not limited to architects engineers and master planners), or any other consultants for the City (including, but not limited to, project managers and construction managers and their employees where not engaged in Project Work) and their sub-consultants, and other employees of professional service organizations, not performing manual labor within the scope of this Agreement; provided, however, that it is understood and agreed that Surveyors, Building/Construction Inspectors and Field Soils and Materials Testers (collectively "Inspectors") are covered crafts under the PLA. (This inclusion applies to the scope of work defined in the State of California Prevailing Wage Determination for said Crafts. This shall also specifically include such work where it is referred to by utilization of such terms as "quality control" or "quality assurance." Every Inspector performing under the Wage classification of a Surveyor, Building/Construction Inspector and Field Soils and Material Testers under a professional services agreement or a construction contract shall be bound to all applicable requirements of the PLA.) Covered Work as defined by this Agreement shall be performed pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement regardless of the manner in which the work was awarded;

(e) Any work performed on or near or leading to or into a site of work covered by this Agreement and undertaken by state, county, City or other governmental bodies, or their

Contractors; or by public utilities, or their Contractors; and/or by the City or its Contractors (for work for which is not within the scope of this Agreement);

(f) Off-site maintenance of leased equipment and on-site supervision of such work;

(g) It is recognized that certain materials, equipment, and systems of a highly technical and specialized nature will have to be installed at the Project. The nature of the materials, equipment, and systems, together with requirements of manufacturer's or vendor's warranty, may dictate that it be prefabricated, pre-piped, and/or pre-wired and that it be installed under the supervision and direction of Owner's and/or manufacturer's personnel. The Unions agree to install such material, equipment, and systems without incident;

(h) Non-construction support services contracted by the City, Project Labor Coordinator, or Contractor in connection with this Project;

(i) Off-site laboratory work for testing; and

(j) All hauling from and delivery to the Project and deliveries of all materials required to complete the Project, except that the hauling/delivery of soil, sand, gravel, aggregate, rocks, concrete, asphalt, excavation materials, fill material and construction debris shall be covered by this Agreement.

### Section 3.6 Awarding of Contracts

(a) The City and/or the Contractors, as appropriate, have the absolute right to award contracts or subcontracts on this Project to any Contractor notwithstanding the existence or non-existence of any agreements between such Contractor and any Union parties, provided only that such Contractor is willing, ready and able to execute and comply with this Project Labor Agreement should such Contractor be awarded work covered by this Agreement.

(b) It is agreed that all Contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier, who have been awarded contracts for work covered by this Agreement, shall be required to accept and be bound to the terms and conditions of this Project Labor Agreement, and shall evidence their acceptance by the execution of the Letter of Assent as set forth in Attachment A hereto, prior to the commencement of work. At the time that any Contractor enters into a subcontract with any subcontractor of any tier providing for the performance on the construction contract, the

Contractor shall provide a copy of this Agreement to said subcontractor and shall require the subcontractor, as a part of accepting the award of a construction subcontract, to agree in writing in the form of a Letter of Assent to be bound by each and every provision of this Agreement prior to the commencement of work on the Project. No Contractor or subcontractor shall commence Project Work without having first provided a copy of the Letter of Assent as executed by it to the Project Labor Coordinator and to the Council forty-eight (48) hours before the commencement of Project Work, or within forty-eight (48) hours after the award of Project Work to that Contractor (or subcontractor), whichever occurs later.

(c) The City agrees that to the extent permitted by law and consistent with the economy and efficiency of construction and operation, it will use its best efforts to purchase materials, equipment and supplies which will not create labor strife. Under all circumstances, however, the City shall retain the absolute right to select the lowest reliable and responsible bidder for the award of contracts on all projects.

### Section 3.7 Coverage Exception

(a) This Agreement shall not apply if the City receives funding or assistance from any Federal, State, local or other public entity for the Construction Contract if a requirement, condition or other term of receiving that funding or assistance, at the time of the awarding of the contract, is that the City not require, bidders, contractors, subcontractors or other persons or entities to enter into an agreement with one or more labor organizations or enter into an agreement that contains any of the terms set forth herein. The City agrees that it will make every effort to establish the enforcement of this Agreement with any governmental agency or granting authority.

### Section 2.8 Master Labor Agreements

(a) The provisions of this Agreement, including the MLAs, (which are the local Master Labor Agreements of the signatory Unions having jurisdiction over the work on the Project, as such may be changed from time-to-time and which are incorporated herein by reference) shall apply to the work covered by this Agreement, notwithstanding the provisions of any other local, area and/or national agreement which may conflict with or differ from the terms of this Agreement. However, such does not apply to work performed under the National Cooling Tower Agreement, the National Stack Agreement, the National Transit Division Agreement (NTD), or within the jurisdiction of the International Union of Elevator Constructors and all instrument calibration and loop checking work performed under the terms of the UA/IBEW Joint National Agreement for Instrument and Control Systems Technicians, except that Articles dealing with Work Stoppages and Lock-Outs, Work Assignments and Jurisdictional Disputes,

and Settlement of Grievances and Disputes shall apply to such work. It is specifically agreed that no later agreement shall be deemed to have precedence over this Agreement unless signed by all Parties signatory hereto who are then currently employed or represented at the Project. Where a subject covered by the provisions of this Agreement is also covered by a MLA, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply. Where a subject is covered by a provision of a MLA and not covered by this Agreement, the provisions of the MLA shall prevail. Any dispute as to the applicable source between this Agreement and any MLA for determining the wages, hours of working conditions of employees on this Project shall be resolved under the procedures established in Article 10.

(b) It is understood that this Agreement, together with the referenced MLA's, constitutes a self-contained, stand-alone agreement and by virtue of having become bound to this Project Labor Agreement, the Contractor will not be obligated to sign any other local, area or national collective bargaining agreement as a condition of performing work within the scope of this Agreement (provided, however, that the Contractor may be required to sign a uniformly applied, non-discriminatory Participation Agreement at the request of the trustees or administrator of a trust fund established pursuant to Section 302 of the Labor Management Relations Act, and to which such Contractor is bound to make contributions under this Agreement, provided that such Participation Agreement does not purport to bind the Contractor beyond the terms and conditions of this Agreement and/or expand its obligation to make contributions pursuant thereto). It shall be the responsibility of the prime Contractor to have each of its subcontractors sign the documents described herein, with the appropriate Craft Union prior to the subcontractor beginning work on covered Projects.

**Section 3.9 Workers' Compensation Carve-out** The Parties recognize the potential which the Project Work may provide for the implementation of a cost-effective workers' compensation system, as permitted by revised California Labor Code section 3201.5, and it is understood that the City is in an ongoing review of the value of such a program. Should the City request, the Union parties agree to meet and negotiate in good faith with representatives of the City for the development, and subsequent implementation, of an effective program involving improved and revised dispute resolution and medical care procedures for the delivery of workers' compensation benefits and medical coverage as permitted by the California Labor Code.

**Section 3.10 Binding Signatories Only** This Agreement shall only be binding on the signatory Parties hereto, and shall not apply to the parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, or other ventures of any such Party.

**Section 3.11 Other City Work** This Agreement shall be limited to the construction work within the Scope of this Agreement including, specifically, site preparation and related demolition work, and new construction and major rehabilitation work for new or existing

facilities referenced in Section 2.2 above. Nothing contained herein shall be interpreted to prohibit, restrict, or interfere with the performance of any other operation, work or function not covered by this Agreement, which may be performed by City Employees or contracted for by the City for its own account, on its property or in and around a Project site.

**Section 3.12 Separate Liability** It is understood that the liability of the Contractor(s) and the liability of the separate Unions under this Agreement shall be several and not joint. The Unions agree that this Agreement does not have the effect of creating any joint employment status between or among the City and/or any Contractor.

**Section 3.13 Completed Project Work** As areas of covered work are accepted by the City, this Agreement shall have no further force or effect on such items or areas except where the Contractor is directed by the City or its representatives to engage in repairs, modification, check-out and/or warranties functions required by its contract(s) with the City.

## **ARTICLE 4**

### **UNION RECOGNITION AND EMPLOYMENT**

**Section 4.1 Recognition** The Contractor recognizes the Council and the signatory local Unions as the exclusive bargaining representative for the employees engaged in Project Work. Contractors further recognize that the Unions shall be the primary source of all craft labor employed on City Projects. In the event that a Contractor has its own core workforce, said Contractor shall follow the procedures outlined below.

**Section 4.2 Contractor Selection of Employees** The Contractor shall have the right to determine the competency of all employees, the number of employees required, the duties of such employees within their craft jurisdiction, and shall have the sole responsibility for selecting employees to be laid off, unless expressly limited or required by a specific provision of this Agreement or an MLA. The Contractor shall also have the right to reject any applicant referred by a Union for any reason, subject to any required reporting pay; provided, however, that such right is exercised in good faith and not for the purpose of avoiding the Contractor's commitment to employ qualified workers through the procedures endorsed in this Agreement.

### Section 4.3 Referral Procedures

(a) For signatory Unions now having a job referral system contained in a MLA, the Contractor agrees to comply with such system and it shall be used exclusively by such Contractor, except as modified by this Agreement. Such job referral system will be operated in a nondiscriminatory manner and in full compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations which require equal employment opportunities and non-discrimination. All of the foregoing hiring procedures, including related practices affecting apprenticeship, shall be operated so as to consider the goals of the City to encourage employment of City residents and utilization of small local businesses on the Project, and to facilitate the ability of all Contractors to meet their employment needs.

(b) The local Unions will exert their best efforts to recruit and refer sufficient numbers of skilled craft workers to fulfill the labor requirements of the Contractor, including specific employment obligations to which the Contractor may be legally and/or contractually obligated; and to refer apprentices as requested to develop a larger, skilled workforce. The local Unions will work with their affiliated regional and national unions, to identify and refer competent craft persons as needed for Project Work, and to identify and hire individuals, particularly residents of the City, for entrance into joint labor/management apprenticeship programs, or to participate in other identified programs and procedures to assist individuals in qualifying and becoming eligible for such apprenticeship programs, all maintained to increase the available supply of skilled craft personnel for Project Work and future construction of maintenance work to be undertaken by the City.

(c) The Union shall not knowingly refer an employee currently employed by a Contractor on a covered Project to any other Contractor.

Section 4.4 Non-Discrimination in Referral, Employment, and Contracting The Unions and the Contractors agree that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in hiring and dispatching on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, national origin, age, membership in a labor organization, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, or disability. Further, it is recognized that the City has certain policies, programs, and goals for the utilization of local small business enterprises. The Parties shall jointly endeavor to assure that these commitments are fully met, and that any provisions of this Agreement which may appear to interfere with local small business enterprises successfully bidding for work within the scope of this Agreement shall be carefully reviewed, and adjustments made as may be appropriate and agreed upon among the Parties, to ensure full compliance with the spirit and letter of the City's policies and commitment to its goals for the significant utilization of local small businesses as direct Contractors or suppliers for Project Work.

#### Section 4.5 Employment of Local Residents

(a) The Unions and Employers agree that, to the extent allowed by law, and as long as they possess the requisite skills and qualifications, the Unions will exert their best efforts to refer and/or recruit sufficient numbers of skilled craft "Local Residents" as defined herein, to fulfill the requirements of the Employers. In recognition of the fact that the communities surrounding Project Work will be impacted by the construction of the Project Work, the parties agree to support the hiring of workers from the residents of these surrounding areas. Towards that end, the Parties hereby establish a goal that 30% of all construction labor hours worked on the Project shall be from Veterans and individuals who have successfully completed the Building Trades Multi-Craft Core Curriculum Pre-Apprenticeship Program, regardless of where they reside, and qualified area residents residing: first, in those first tier zip codes which overlap the area covered by the City, as reflected on the list of U.S. Postal Service zip codes attached hereto as Attachment B, second, within a (15) mile radius from City Hall, as reflected on the list of U.S. Postal Service zip codes attached hereto as Attachment B, and 50-mile radius, within the remainder of the County of Los Angeles. For dispatch purposes, employees described in this Section 3.5 (a) shall be referred to as "Local Residents."

(b) A goal of 30% of the total work hours performed on the Project shall be from Local Residents.

Section 4.6 To facilitate the dispatch of area residents, veterans and individuals who have successfully completed the Building Trades Multi-Craft Core Curriculum Pre-Apprenticeship Program, all Contractors will be required to utilize the Craft Employee Request Form whenever they are requesting the referral of any employee from a Union referral list for any Covered Project, a sample of which is attached as Attachment C. When area residents, veterans, and individuals who have successfully completed the Building Trades Multi-Craft Core Curriculum Pre-Apprenticeship Program are requested by the Employers, the Unions will refer such workers regardless of their place in the Unions' hiring halls' list and normal referral procedures.

Section 4.7 Recruitment of Veterans; Helmets to Hardhats The Employers and the Unions recognize a desire to facilitate the entry into the building and construction trades of veterans who are interested in careers in the building and construction industry. The employers and Unions agree to utilize the services of the Center for Military Recruitment, Assessment and Veterans Employment (hereinafter "Center") and the Center's "Helmets to Hardhats" program to serve as a resource for preliminary orientation, assessment of construction aptitude, referral to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, counseling and mentoring, support network, employment opportunities and other needs as identified by the Parties. The employers and



Unions shall also make an effort to reach out the Veterans Park Apartments in the City that houses veterans. For purposes of this Agreement the term "Eligible Veteran" shall have the same meaning as the term "veteran" as defined under Title 5, Section 2108(1) of the United States Code as the same may be amended or re-codified from time to time. It shall be the responsibility of each qualified City resident to provide the Unions with proof of his/her status as an Eligible Veteran.

The Unions and Employers agree to coordinate with the Center to create and maintain an integrated database of veterans interested in working on this Project and of apprenticeship and employment opportunities for this Project. To the extent permitted by law, the Unions will give credit to such veterans for bona fide, provable past experience.

#### Section 4.8 Core Employees

(a) Contractors which are not independently signatory to a Master Labor Agreement may employ, as needed, first, a member of his core workforce, then an employee through a referral from the appropriate Union hiring hall, then a second core employee, then a second employee through the referral system, and so on until a maximum of five (5) core employees are employed, thereafter, all additional employees in the affected trade or craft shall be requisitioned from the craft hiring hall in accordance with Section 3.3. In the laying off of employees, the number of core employees shall not exceed one-half plus one of the workforce for an employer with 10 or fewer employees, assuming the remaining employees are qualified to undertake the work available. This provision applies only to Contractors which are not independently signatory to a Master Labor Agreement and is not intended to limit the transfer provisions of the MLA of any trade. As part of this process, and in order to facilitate the contract administration procedures, as well as appropriate fringe benefit fund coverage, all Contractors shall require their core employees and any other persons employed other than through the Union referral process, to register with the appropriate Union hiring hall, if any, prior to their first day of employment at a project site.

(b) The core work force is comprised of those employees whose names appeared on the Contractor's active payroll for sixty (60) of the one hundred (100) working days immediately before award of Project Work to the Contractor; who have worked at least two-thousand (2,000) hours in the construction craft in which they are employed, during the prior four (4) years; who possess any license required by state or federal law for the Project Work to be performed; and who have the ability to safely perform the basic functions of the applicable trade.

(c) Prior to each Contractor performing any work on the Project, each Contractor shall provide a list of his core employees to the Council. Failure to do so will prohibit the

Contractor from using any core employees. Upon request by any Party to this Agreement, the Contractor hiring any core employee shall provide satisfactory proof (i.e., payroll records, quarterly tax records, driver's license, voter registration, postal address, and such other documentation) evidencing the core employee's qualification as a core employee to the Council.

(d) Hours worked by residents of states other than California shall not be included in the calculation of total hours of Project Work for purposes of the percentage requirements set forth above.

Section 4.9 Time for Referral If any Union's registration and referral system does not fulfill the requirements for specific classifications requested by any Contractor within forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), that Contractor may use employment sources other than the Union registration and referral services and may employ applicants meeting such standards from any other available source. The Contractors shall inform the Union of any applicants hired from other sources within forty-eight (48) hours of such applicant being hired, and such applicants shall register with the appropriate hiring hall, if any, prior to their first day of employment at a project site.

Section 4.10 Lack of Referral Procedure If a signatory local Union does not have a job referral system as set forth in Section 3.3 above, the Contractors shall give the Union equal opportunity to refer applicants. The Contractors shall notify the Union of employees so hired, as set forth in Section 3.5.

Section 4.11 Union Membership Employees are not required to become or remain union members or pay dues or fees as a condition of performing Covered Work under this Agreement. Employers shall make and transmit all deductions for union dues, fees, and assessments that have been authorized by employees in writing in accordance with the applicable Master Agreement. Nothing in this Section 3.11 is intended to supersede independent requirements of applicable Master Agreements as to those Employers otherwise signatory to such Master Agreements and as to the employees of those Employers who are performing Covered Work.

Section 4.12 Individual Seniority Except as provided in Section 4.3, individual seniority shall not be recognized or applied to employees working on the Project; provided, however, that group and/or classification seniority in a Union's MLA as of the effective date of this Agreement shall be recognized for purposes of layoffs.

Section 4.13 Foremen The selection and number of craft foreman and/or general foreman shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. All foremen shall take orders exclusively from the City of Pomona

designated Contractor representatives. Craft foreman shall be designated as working foreman at the request of the Contractors.

## ARTICLE 5

### UNION ACCESS AND STEWARDS

Section 5.1 Access to Project Sites Authorized representatives of the Union shall have access to Project Work, provided that they do not interfere with the work of employees and further provided that such representatives fully comply with posted visitor, security, and safety rules.

#### Section 5.2 Stewards

(a) Each signatory local Union shall have the right to dispatch a working journey person as a steward for each shift and shall notify the Contractor in writing of the identity of the designated steward or stewards prior to the assumption of such person's duties as steward. Such designated steward or stewards shall not exercise any supervisory functions. There will be no non-working stewards. Stewards will receive the regular rate of pay for their respective crafts.

(b) In addition to his/her work as an employee, the steward should have the right to receive, but not to solicit, complaints or grievances and to discuss and assist in the adjustment of the same with the employee's appropriate supervisor. Each steward should be concerned only with the employees of the steward's Contractor and, if applicable, subcontractor(s), and not with the employees of any other Contractor. A Contractor will not discriminate against the steward in the proper performance of his/her Union duties.

(c) When a Contractor has multiple, non-contiguous work locations at one site, the Contractor may request, and the Union shall appoint such additional working stewards as the Contractor requests to provide independent coverage of one or more such locations. In such cases, a steward may not service more than one work location without the approval of the Contractor.

(d) The stewards shall not have the right to determine when overtime shall be worked or who shall work overtime.

Section 5.3 Steward Layoff/Discharge The Contractor agrees to notify the appropriate Union twenty-four (24) hours before the layoff of a steward, except in the case of disciplinary

discharge for just cause. If the steward is protected against such layoff by the provisions of the applicable MLA, such provisions shall be recognized when the steward possesses the necessary qualifications to perform the remaining work. In any case in which the steward is discharged or disciplined for just cause, the appropriate Union will be notified immediately by the Contractor, and such discharge or discipline shall not become final (subject to any later filed grievance) until twenty-four (24) hours after such notice have been given.

Section 5.4 Employees on Non-Project Work On work where the personnel of the City may be working in close proximity to the construction activities covered by this Agreement, the Union agrees that the Union representatives, stewards, and individual workers will not interfere with the City personnel, or with personnel employed by the any other employer not a Party to this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 6

### WAGES AND BENEFITS

Section 6.1 Wages All employees covered by this Agreement shall be classified in accordance with work performed and paid by the Contractors the hourly wage rates for those classifications in compliance with the applicable prevailing wage rate determination established pursuant to applicable law. If a prevailing rate increases under law, the Contractor shall pay that rate as of its effective date under the law. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the MLAs are required to pay all of the wages set forth in those MLAs without reference to the forgoing.

#### Section 6.2 Benefits

(a) Contractors shall pay contributions to the established employee benefit funds in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA and make all employee–authorized deductions in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA, however, such contributions shall not exceed the contribution amounts set forth in the applicable prevailing wage determination. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the MLA are required to make all contributions set forth in those MLA without reference to the foregoing. Bona fide jointly-trusted benefit plans or authorized employee deduction programs established or negotiated under the applicable MLA or by the Parties to this Agreement during the life of this Agreement may be added.

(b) The Contractor adopts and agrees to be bound by the written terms of the applicable, legally established, trust agreement(s) specifying the detailed basis on which payments are to be made into, and benefits paid out of, such trust funds for its employees. The Contractor authorizes the Parties to such trust funds to appoint trustees and successor trustees to administer the trust funds and hereby ratifies and accepts the trustees so appointed as if made by the Contractor.

(c) Each Contractor and subcontractor is required to maintain records evidencing that it has paid all benefit contributions due and owing to the appropriate Trust(s) prior to the receipt of its final payment and/or retention. Further, a Union shall work with any prime Contractor or subcontractor who is delinquent in payments to assure that proper benefit contributions are made. In the event of failure of a prime Contractor or subcontractor to timely make the delinquent payments, a Union may request that the City or the prime Contractor withhold payments otherwise due such Contractor, until such contributions have been made or otherwise guaranteed.

Section 6.3 Wage Premiums Wage premiums, including but not limited to pay based on height of work, hazard pay, scaffold pay, and special skills shall not be applicable to work under this Agreement, except to the extent provided for in any applicable prevailing wage determination.

Section 6.4 Compliance with Prevailing Wage Laws The Parties agree that the City shall monitor the compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all applicable federal and state prevailing wage laws and regulations, and that such monitoring shall include Contractors engaged in what would otherwise be Project Work but for the exceptions to Agreement coverage in Article 2, Section 2.2. All complaints regarding possible prevailing wage violations shall be referred to the City for processing, investigation, and resolution, and if not resolved within thirty calendar days, may be referred by any party to the state labor commissioner.

## ARTICLE 7

### WORK STOPPAGES AND LOCK-OUTS

Section 7.1 No Work Stoppages or Disruptive Activity The Council and the Unions signatory hereto agree that neither they, and each of them, nor their respective officers or agents or representatives, shall incite or encourage, condone or participate in any strike, walk-out, slow-down, picketing, observing picket lines or other activity of any nature or kind whatsoever, for any cause or dispute whatsoever with respect to or any way related to Project Work, or which interferes with or otherwise disrupts, Project Work, or with respect to or related to the City or Contractors or subcontractors, including, but not limited to, economic strikes, unfair labor

practice strikes, safety strikes, sympathy strikes and jurisdictional strikes whether or not the underlying dispute is arbitrable. Any such actions by the Council, or Unions, or their members, agents, representatives, or the employees they represent shall constitute a violation of this Agreement. The Council and the Union shall take all steps necessary to obtain compliance with this Article and neither should be held liable for conduct for which it is not responsible.

Section 7.2    Employee Violations    The Contractor may discharge any employee violating Section 7.1 above and any such employee will not be eligible for rehire under this Agreement.

Section 7.3    Standing to Enforce    The City or any Contractor affected by an alleged violation of Section 7.1 shall have standing and the right to enforce the obligations established therein.

Section 7.4    Expiration of the MLA's    If the MLA, or any local, regional, and other applicable collective bargaining agreements expire during the term of the Project, the Union(s) agree that there shall be no work disruption of any kind as described in Section 6.1 above as a result of the expiration of any such agreement(s) having application on this Project and/or failure of the involved Parties to that agreement to reach a new contract. Terms and conditions of employment established and set at the time of bid shall remain established and set. Otherwise to the extent that such agreement does expire and the Parties to that agreement have failed to reach concurrence on a new contract, work will continue on the Project on one of the following two (2) options, both of which will be offered by the Unions involved to the Contractors affected:

(a)    Each of the Unions with a contract expiring must offer to continue working on the Project under interim agreements that retain all the terms of the expiring contract, except that the Unions involved in such expiring contract may each propose wage rates and employer contribution rates to employee benefit funds under the prior contract different from what those wage rates and employer contributions rates were under the expiring contracts. The terms of the Union's interim agreement offered to Contractors will be no less favorable than the terms offered by the Union to any other employer or group of employers covering the same type of construction work in Los Angeles County.

(b)    Each of the Unions with a contract expiring must offer to continue working on the Project under all the terms of the expiring contract, including the wage rates and employer contribution rates to the employee benefit funds, if the Contractor affected by that expiring contract agrees to the following retroactive provisions: if a new MLA, local, regional or other applicable labor agreement for the industry having application at the Project is ratified and signed during the term of this Agreement and if such new labor agreement provides for retroactive wage increases, then each affected Contractor shall pay to its employees who performed work covered by this Agreement at the Project during the hiatus between the effective

dates of such expired and new labor agreements, an amount equal to any such retroactive wage increase established by such new labor agreement, retroactive to whatever date is provided by the new labor agreement for such increase to go into effect, for each employee's hours worked on the Project during the retroactive period. All Parties agree that such affected Contractors shall be solely responsible for any retroactive payment to its employees.

(c) Some Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the terms of the interim agreement option offered under paragraph (a) above and other Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the retroactivity option offered under paragraph (b) above. To decide between the two options, Contractors will be given one week after the particular labor agreement has expired or one week after the Union has personally delivered to the Contractors in writing its specific offer of terms of the interim agreement pursuant to paragraph (a) above, whichever is the later date. If the Contractor fails to timely select one of the two options, the Contractor shall be deemed to have selected option (b).

Section 6.5 No Lockouts Contractors shall not cause, incite, encourage, condone, or participate in any lock-out of employees with respect to Project Work during the term of this Agreement. The term "lock-out" refers only to a Contractor's exclusion of employees in order to secure collective bargaining advantage, and does not refer to the discharge, termination or layoff of employees by the Contractor for any reason in the exercise of rights pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, or any other agreement, nor does "lock-out" include the City's decision to stop, suspend or discontinue any Project Work or any portion thereof for any reason.

#### Section 7.6 Best Efforts to End Violations

(a) If a Contractor contends that there is any violation of this Article or Section 7.3, it shall notify, in writing, the Executive Secretary of the Council, the Senior Executive of the involved Union(s) and the City. The Executive Secretary and the leadership of the involved Union(s) will immediately instruct, order, and use their best efforts to cause the cessation of any violation of the relevant Article.

(b) If the Union contends that any Contractor has violated this Article, it will notify that the Contractor and the City, setting forth the facts which the Union contends violate the Agreement, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to invoking the procedures of Section 6.8. The City shall promptly order the involved Contractor(s) to cease any violation of the Article.

#### Section 6.7 Withholding of services for failure to pay wages and fringe benefits

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, it shall not be a violation of this Agreement for any Union to withhold the services of its members (but not the right to picket) from a particular Contractor who:

(a) fails to timely pay its weekly payroll; or

(b) fails to make timely payments to the Union's Joint Labor/Management Trust Funds in accordance with the provisions of the applicable MLA. Prior to withholding its members' services for the Contractor's failure to make timely payments to the Union's Joint Labor/Management Trust Funds, the Union shall give at least ten (10) days (unless a lesser period of time is provided in the Union's MLA, but in no event less than forty-eight (48) hours) written notice of such failure to pay by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and by facsimile transmission to the involved Contractor and to the City. Union will meet within the ten (10) day period to attempt to resolve the dispute.

(c) Upon the payment of the delinquent Contractor of all monies due and then owing for wages and/or fringe benefit contributions, the Union shall direct its members to return to work and the Contractor shall return all such members back to work.

Section 6.8 Expedited Enforcement Procedure Any party, including the City, which the Parties agree is a Party to the Agreement for purposes of this Article and an intended beneficiary of this Article, may institute the following procedures, in lieu of or in addition to any other action at law or equity, when a breach of Section 6.1 or 6.5, above, or Section 7.3 is alleged.

(a) The Party invoking this procedure shall notify the person selected by the negotiating Parties, and whom the Parties agree shall be the permanent arbitrator under this procedure. If the permanent arbitrator is unavailable at any time, the party invoking this procedure shall notify any of the arbitrators set forth under section 9.2, Step 3(a), and select based on who has the soonest availability. Expenses incurred in arbitration shall be borne equally by the Parties involved in the arbitration and the decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the Parties, provided, however, that the arbitrator shall not have the authority to alter or amend or add to or delete from the provisions of this Agreement in any way. Notice to the arbitrator shall be by the most expeditious means available, with notices to the Parties alleged to be in violation, and to the Council if it is a Union alleged to be in violation. For purposes of this Article, written notice may be given by email, hand delivery or overnight mail and will be deemed effective upon receipt.



(b) Upon receipt of said notice, the arbitrator named above or his/her alternate shall sit and hold a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours if it is contended that the violation still exists, but not sooner than twenty-four (24) hours after notice has been dispatched to the Executive Secretary and the Senior Official(s) as required by Section 7.6, as above.

(c) The arbitrator shall notify the Parties of the place and time chosen for this hearing. Said hearing shall be completed in one session, which, with appropriate recesses at the arbitrator's discretion, shall not exceed 24 hours unless otherwise agreed upon by all Parties. A failure of any Party or Parties to attend said hearings shall not delay the hearing of evidence or the issuance of any award by the arbitrator.

(d) The sole issue at the hearing shall be whether or not a violation of Sections 6.1 or 6.5, above, or Section 7.3 has in fact occurred. The arbitrator shall have no authority to consider any matter in justification, explanation, or mitigation of such violation or to award damages, (except for damages as set forth in 6.8 below) which issue is reserved for court proceedings, if any. The award shall be issued in writing within three (3) hours after the close of the hearing and may be issued without an opinion. If any Party desires a written opinion, one shall be issued within fifteen (15) days, but its issuance shall not delay compliance with, or enforcement of, the Award. The arbitrator may order cessation of the violation of the Article and other appropriate relief, and such award shall be served on all Parties by hand or registered mail upon issuance.

(e) Such award shall be final and binding on all Parties and may be enforced by any court of competent jurisdiction upon the filing of this Agreement and all other relevant documents referred to herein above in the following manner. Written notice of the filing of such enforcement proceedings shall be given to the other Party. In any judicial proceeding to obtain a temporary order enforcing the arbitrator's award as issued under Section 6.7 of this Article, all Parties waive the right to a hearing and agree that such proceedings may be ex parte. Such agreement does not waive any Party's right to participate in a hearing for a final order of enforcement. The court's order or orders enforcing the arbitrator's award shall be served on all Parties by hand or by delivery to their address as shown on this Agreement (for a Union), as shown on their business contract for work under this Agreement (for a Contractor) and to the representing Union (for an employee), by certified mail by the Party or Parties first alleging the violation.

(f) Any rights created by statute or law governing arbitration proceedings inconsistent with the above procedure or which interfere with compliance hereto are hereby waived by the Parties to whom they accrue.

(g) The fees and expenses of the arbitrator shall be equally divided between the Party or Parties initiating this procedure and the respondent Party or Parties.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **WORK ASSIGNMENTS AND JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

Section 8.1 Assignment of Work The assignment of Covered Work will be solely the responsibility of the Employer performing the work involved; and such work assignments will be in accordance with the Plan for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes in the Construction Industry (the “Plan”) or any successor Plan.

Section 8.2 The Plan All jurisdictional disputes on this Project between or among the building and construction trades Unions and the Employers parties to this Agreement, shall be settled and adjusted according to the present Plan established by the Building and Construction Trades Department or any other plan or method of procedure that may be adopted in the future by the Building and Construction Trades Department. Decisions rendered shall be final, binding, and conclusive on the Employers and Unions parties to this Agreement.

(a) If a dispute arising under this Article involves the Western States Regional Council of Carpenters or any of its subordinate bodies, an Arbitrator shall be chosen by the procedures specified in Article V, Section 5, of the Plan from a list composed of John Kagel, Robert Hirsch, and Thomas Pagan, and the Arbitrator’s hearing on the dispute shall be held at the offices of the Trades Council within 14 days of the selection of the Arbitrator. All other procedures shall be as specified in the Plan.

Section 8.3 No Work Disruption Over Jurisdiction All jurisdictional disputes shall be resolved without the occurrence of any strike, work stoppage, or slow-down of any nature, and the Employer’s assignment shall be adhered to until the dispute is resolved. Individuals violating this section shall be subject to immediate discharge.

Section 8.4 Pre-Job Conferences As provided in Article 13, each Contractor will conduct a pre-job conference with the appropriate affected Union(s) prior to commencing work. The Council and the Project Labor Coordinator shall be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish.

Section 8.5    Resolution of Jurisdictional Disputes    If any actual or threatened strike, sympathy strike, work stoppage, slow down, picketing, hand-billing or otherwise advising the public that a labor dispute exists, or interference with the progress of Project Work by reason of a jurisdictional dispute or disputes occurs, the Parties shall exhaust the expedited procedures set forth in the Plan, if such procedures are in the plan then currently in effect, or otherwise as in Article 6 above.

## **ARTICLE 9**

### **MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

Section 9.1    Contractor and City Rights    The Contractors and the City have the sole and exclusive right and authority to oversee and manage construction operations on Project Work, as set forth in this Article, without any limitations unless expressly limited or required by another Article of this Agreement or an MLA. In addition to the following and other rights of the Contractors enumerated in this Agreement, the Contractors expressly reserve their management rights and all the rights conferred upon them by law. The Contractor's rights include, but are not limited to, the right to:

- (a)    Plan, direct and control operations of all work;
- (b)    Hire, promote, transfer and layoff their own employees, respectively, as deemed appropriate to satisfy work and/or skill requirements;
- (c)    Promulgate and require all employees to observe reasonable job rules and security and safety regulations;
- (d)    Discharge, suspend or discipline their own employees for just cause;
- (e)    Utilize, in accordance with City approval, any work methods, procedures or techniques, and select, use and install any types or kinds of materials, apparatus or equipment, regardless of source of manufacture or construction; assign and schedule work at their discretion; and

(f) Assign overtime, determine when it will be worked, and the number and identity of employees engaged in such work, subject to such provisions in the applicable MLA(s), such as requiring assignments be equalized or otherwise made in a nondiscriminatory manner.

Section 9.2 Specific City Rights In addition to the following and other rights of the City enumerated in this Agreement, the City expressly reserves its management rights and all the rights conferred on it by law. The City's rights include but are not limited to the right to:

(a) Inspect any construction site or facility to ensure that the Contractor follows the applicable safety and other work requirements;

(b) Require Contractors to establish a different work week or shift schedule for particular employees as required to meet the operational needs of the Project Work at a particular location;

(c) At its sole option, terminate, delay and/or suspend any and all portions of the covered work at any time; prohibit some or all work on certain days or during certain hours of the day to accommodate the ongoing operations of the City's Facilities and/or to mitigate the effect of ongoing Project Work on businesses and residents in the neighborhood of the Project site; and/or require such other operational or schedule changes it deems necessary, in its sole judgment, to effectively maintain its primary mission and remain a good neighbor to those in the area of its facilities. (In order to permit the Contractors and Unions to make appropriate scheduling plans, the City will provide the affected Contractor(s) and Union(s) with reasonable notice of any changes it requires pursuant to this section; provided, however, that if notice is not provided in time to advise employees not to report for work, show-up pay shall be due pursuant to the applicable MLA;

(d) Approve any work methods, procedures and techniques used by Contractors whether or not these methods, procedures or techniques are part of industry practices or customs; and

(e) Investigate and process complaints, in the matter set forth in Articles 6 and 9.

Section 9.3 Use of Materials There should be no limitations or restriction by Union upon a Contractor's choice of materials or design, nor, regardless of source or location, upon the full use and utilization, of equipment, machinery, packaging, precast, prefabricated, prefinished, or preassembled materials, tools or other labor saving devices, subject to the application of the State Public Contracts and Labor Codes as required by law in reference to offsite construction.

Generally, the onsite installation or application of such items shall be performed by the craft having jurisdiction over such work. The City shall advise all Contractors of, and enforce as appropriate, the off-site application of the prevailing wage law as it affects Project Work.

#### Section 9.4 Special Equipment, Warranties and Guaranties

(a) It is recognized that certain materials, equipment, and systems of a highly technical and specialized nature will have to be installed at the Project. The nature of the materials, equipment, and systems, together with requirements of manufacturer's or vendor's warranty, may dictate that it be prefabricated, pre-piped, and/or pre-wired and that it be installed under the supervision and direction of Owner's and/or manufacturer's personnel. The Unions agree to install such material, equipment, and systems without incident;

(b) The Parties recognize that the Contractor will initiate from time to time the use of new technology, equipment, machinery, tools, and other labor-savings devices and methods of performing Project Work. The Union agrees that they will not restrict the implementation of such devices or work methods. The Unions will accept and will not refuse to handle, install, or work with any standardized and/or catalogue: parts, assemblies, accessories, prefabricated items, preassembled items, partially assembled items, or materials whatever their source of manufacture or construction.

(c) If any disagreement between the Contractor and the Unions concerning the methods of implementation or installation of any equipment, or device or item, or method of work, arises, or whether a particular part or pre-assembled item is a standardized or catalog part or item, the work will precede as directed by the Contractor and the Parties shall immediately consult over the matter. If the disagreement is not resolved, the affected Union(s) shall have the right to proceed through the procedures set forth in Article 10.

### **ARTICLE 10**

#### **SETTLEMENT OF GRIEVANCES AND DISPUTES**

##### Section 10.1 Cooperation and Harmony on Site

(a) This Agreement is intended to establish and foster continued close cooperation between management and labor. The Council shall assign a representative to this Project for the purpose of assisting the local Unions, and working with a City representative or designee, and

the Contractors, to complete the construction of the Project economically, efficiently, continuously and without any interruption, delays or work stoppages.

(b) The City representative or designee, Contractors, Unions, and employees collectively and individually, realize the importance to all Parties of maintaining continuous and uninterrupted performance Project Work, and agree to resolve disputes in accordance with the grievance provisions set forth in this Article or, as appropriate, those of Article 6 or 7.

(c) The Unions and/or Council, along with the Project Labor Coordinator shall oversee the processing of grievances under this Article and Articles 6 and 7, including the scheduling and arrangements of facilities for meetings, selection of the arbitrator from the agreed-upon panel to hear the case, and any other administrative matters necessary to facilitate the timely resolution of any dispute; provided, however, it is the responsibility of the principal parties to any pending grievance to insure the time limits and deadlines are met.

**Section 10.2 Processing Grievances** Any questions arising out of and during the term of this Agreement involving its interpretation and application, which includes applicable provisions of the MLA's, but not jurisdictional disputes or alleged violations of Section 6.1 and 6.4 and similar provisions, shall be considered a grievance and subject to resolution under the following procedures.

**Step 1. Employee Grievances** When any employee subject to the provisions of this Agreement feels aggrieved by an alleged violation of this Agreement, the employee shall, through his local Union business representative or, job steward, within ten (10) working days after the occurrence of the violation, give notice to the work site representative of the involved Contractor stating the provision(s) alleged to have been violated. A business representative of the local Union or the job steward and the work site representative of the involved Contractor shall meet and endeavor to resolve the matter within ten (10) working days after timely notice has been given. If they fail to resolve the matter within the prescribed period, the grieving party may, within ten (10) working days thereafter, pursue Step 2 of this grievance procedure provided the grievance is reduced to writing, setting forth the relevant information, including a short description thereof, the date on which the alleged violation occurred, and the provision(s) of the Agreement alleged to have been violated. Grievances and disputes settled at Step 1 shall be non-precedential except as to the parties directly involved.

**Union or Contractor Grievances** Should the Union(s) or any Contractor have a dispute with the other Party(ies) and, if after conferring within ten (10) working days after the disputing Party knew or should have known of the facts or occurrence giving rise to the dispute, a settlement is not reached within five (5) working days, the dispute shall be reduced to writing

and processed to Step 2 in the same manner as outlined in 1(a) above for the adjustment of an employee complaint.

Step 2. The business manager of the involved local Union or his designee, together with the site representative of the involved Contractor, shall meet within seven (7) working days of the referral of the dispute to this second step to arrive at a satisfactory settlement thereof. If the Parties fail to reach an agreement, the dispute may be appealed in writing in accordance with the provisions of Step 3 within seven (7) calendar days after the initial meeting at Step 2.

Step 3. (a) If the grievance shall have been submitted but not resolved under Step 2, either the Union or Contractor Party may request in writing to the other party to the grievance (with copy (ies) to the other Party (ies)) within seven (7) calendar days after the initial Step 2 meeting, that the grievance be submitted to an arbitrator selected from the agreed upon list below, on a rotational basis in the order listed. Those arbitrators are: (1) Edna Francis; (2) Najeeb Khoury; (3) Sara Adler; (4) David Weinberg; (5) Andrea Dooley; (6) Chris Cameron; and (7) Yuval Miller. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all Parties and the fee and expenses of such arbitrations shall be borne equally by the involved Contractor(s) and the involved Union(s).

(b) Failure of the grieving Party to adhere to the time limits established herein shall render the grievance null and void. The time limits established herein may be extended only by written consent of the Parties involved at the particular step where the extension is agreed upon. The arbitrator shall have the authority to make decisions only on issues presented and shall not have the authority to change, amend, add too, or detract from any of the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) The fees and expenses incurred by the arbitrator, as well as those jointly utilized by the Parties (i.e., conference room, court reporter, etc.) in arbitration, shall be divided equally by the Parties to the arbitration, including Union(s) and Contractor(s) involved.

Section 9.3 Limit on Use of Procedures The procedures contained in this Article shall not be applicable to any alleged violation of Articles 6 or 7, with a single exception that any employee discharged for violation of Section 6.2, or Section 7.3, may resort to the procedures of this Article to determine only if he/she was, in fact, engaged in that violation.

Section 10.4 Notice The City shall be notified by the involved Contractor of all actions at Steps 2 and 3, and further, the City may, in its sole discretion, designate a City staff member to participate fully as a party in all proceedings at such steps.

## ARTICLE 11

### REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

Section 11.1 Compliance with All Laws The Council and all Unions, Contractors, subcontractors and their employed shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, ordinances and regulations including, but not limited to, those relating to safety and health, employment, and applications for employment. All employees shall comply with the safety regulations established by the City or the Contractor. Employees must promptly report any injuries or accidents to a supervisor.

Section 11.2 Monitoring Compliance The Parties agree that the City shall require, and that the Council and Unions may monitor, compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all federal and state laws regulation that, from time to time may apply to Project Work. It shall be the responsibility of the Council to investigate or monitor compliance with these various laws and regulations. The Council may recommend to the City procedures to encourage and enforce compliance with these laws and regulations.

Section 11.3 Prevailing Wage Compliance The Council or Union shall refer all complaints regarding any potential prevailing wage violation to the City, who shall process, investigate, and resolve such complaints, consistent with Article 5, Section 5.4. The Council or Union, as appropriate, shall be advised in a timely manner with regard to the facts and resolution, if any, of any complaint. It is understood that this Section does not restrict any individual rights as established under the State Labor Code, including the rights of an individual to file a complaint with the State Labor Commissioner.

Section 11.4 Violations of Law Based upon a finding of violation by the City of a federal and state law, and upon notice to the Contractor that it or its subcontractors is in such violation, the City, in the absence of the Contractor or subcontractor remedying such violation, shall take such action as it is permitted by law or contract to encourage that Contractor to come into compliance, including, but not limited to, assessing fines and penalties and/or removing the offending Contractor from Project Work. Additionally, in accordance with the Agreement between the City and the Contractor, the City may cause the Contractor to remove from Project Work any subcontractor who is in violation of state or federal law.



## ARTICLE 12

### SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF PERSON AND PROPERTY

#### Section 12.1 Safety

(a) It shall be the responsibility of each Contractor to ensure safe working conditions and employee compliance with any safety rules contained herein or established by the District, the Project Labor Coordinator, or the Contractor. It is understood that employees have an individual obligation to use diligent care to perform their work in a safe manner and to protect themselves and the property of the Contractor and the District.

(b) Employees shall be bound by the safety, security, and visitor rules established by the Contractor, the Project Labor Coordinator or the District. These rules will be published and posted. Employee's failure to satisfy their obligations under this Section will subject them to discipline, up to and including discharge.

(c) The Parties adopt the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council Approved Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment D and which shall be the policy and procedure utilized under this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 13

### APPRENTICES

Section 13.1 Importance of Training The Parties recognize the need to maintain continuing support of the programs designed to develop adequate numbers of competent workers in the construction industry, the obligation to capitalize on the availability of the local work force in the area served by the City, and the opportunities to provide continuing work under the construction program. To these ends, the Parties will facilitate, encourage, and assist local residents to commence and progress in Labor/Management Apprenticeship and/or training Programs in the construction industry leading to participation in such apprenticeship programs. The City and the Council will work cooperatively to identify, or establish and maintain, effective programs and procedures for persons interested in entering the construction industry and which

will help prepare them for the formal joint labor/management apprenticeship programs maintained by the signatory Unions.

### Section 13.2 Use of Apprentices

(a) Apprentices used on Projects under this Agreement shall be registered in Joint Labor Management Apprenticeship Programs approved by the State of California. Apprentices may comprise up to thirty percent (30%) of each craft's work force at any time, unless the standards of the applicable joint apprenticeship committee confirmed by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards ("DAS"), establish a lower or higher maximum percentage. Where the standards permit a higher percentage, such percentage shall apply on Project Work. Where the applicable standards establish a lower percentage, the applicable Union will use its best efforts with the Joint Labor Management apprenticeship committee and, if necessary, the DAS to permit up to thirty percent (30%) apprentices on the Project.

(b) The Unions agree to cooperate with the Contractor in furnishing apprentices as requested up to the maximum percentage. The apprentice ratio for each craft shall be in compliance, at a minimum, with the applicable provisions of the Labor Code relating to utilization of apprentices. The City shall encourage such utilization, and, both as to apprentices and the overall supply of experienced workers. The Unions will assure appropriate and maximum utilization of apprentices and the continuing availability of both apprentices and journey persons.

(c) The Parties agree that apprentices will not be dispatched to Contractors working under this Agreement unless there is a journeyman working on the project where the apprentice is to be employed who is qualified to assist and oversee the apprentice's progress through the program in which he is participating.

(d) All apprentices shall work under the direct supervision of a journeyman from the trade in which the apprentice is indentured. A journeyman shall be defined as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 8 [apprenticeship] section 205, which defines a journeyman as a person who has either completed an accredited apprenticeship in his or her craft, or has completed the equivalent of an apprenticeship in length and content of work experience and all other requirements in the craft which has workers classified as journeyman in the apprenticeable occupation. Should a question arise as to a journeyman's qualification under this subsection, the Contractor shall provide adequate proof evidencing the worker's qualification as a journeyman to the Council.

## **ARTICLE 14**

### **PRE-JOB CONFERENCES**

Each Primary Contractor which is awarded a Construction Contract by the City for Project Work shall conduct a Pre-Job conference with the appropriate affected Union(s) prior to commencing work. All Contractors who have been awarded contracts by the Primary Contractor shall attend the Pre-Job conference. The Council and the Project Labor Coordinator shall be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish. All work assignments shall be disclosed by the Primary Contractor and all Contractors at the Pre-Job conference in accordance with industry practice. Should there be Project Work that was not previously discussed at the pre-job conference, or additional project work be added, the contractors performing such work will conduct a separate pre-job conference for such newly included work. Should there be any formal jurisdictional dispute raised under Article 8, the Project Labor Coordinator shall be promptly notified. Primary Contractor shall have available at the Pre-Job conference the plans and drawing for the work to be performed on the Project.

## **ARTICLE 15**

### **WORK OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM**

Section 15.1 The Parties to this Agreement support the development of increased numbers of skilled construction workers from among the Area Residents residing within the geographic area serviced by the City, to meet the labor needs of the Project, specifically, and the requirements of the local construction industry generally. Towards that end the Parties agree to cooperate respecting the establishment of a work opportunities program for these Area Residents, the primary goals of which shall be to maximize construction work opportunities for traditionally underrepresented members of the community. In furtherance of the foregoing, the Unions specifically agree to:

a) Encourage the referral and utilization, to the extent permitted by law and hiring hall practices, of qualified Area Residents as journeymen, and apprentices on the Project and entrance into such qualified apprenticeship and training programs as may be operated by signatory Unions; and

b) Assist Area Residents in contacting pre-apprenticeship programs that utilize the Building Trades multi-craft core curriculum (MC3) and the Apprenticeship Training Committees for the crafts and trades they are interested in. The Unions shall assist Area Residents who are seeking Union jobs on the Project and Union membership in assessing their work experience and giving them credit for provable past experience in their relevant craft or trade, including experience gained working for non-union Contractors. The Unions shall put on their rolls qualified bona fide Area Residents for work on this Project; and

c) Support local events and programs designed to recruit and develop adequate numbers of qualified workers in the construction industry.

## ARTICLE 16

### SAVINGS AND SEPARABILITY

Section 16.1 Savings Clause It is not the intention of the City, Contractor, or the Union parties to violate any laws governing the subject matter of this Agreement. The Parties hereto agree that in the event any provision of this Agreement is finally held or determined to be illegal or void as being in contravention of any applicable law or regulation, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless the part or parts so found to be void are wholly inseparable from the remaining portions of this Agreement. Further, the Parties agree that if and when any provision(s) of this Agreement is finally held or determined to be illegal or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Parties will promptly enter into negotiations concerning the substantive effect of such decision for the purposes of achieving conformity with the requirements of any applicable laws and the intent of the Parties hereto. If the legality of this Agreement is challenged and any form of injunctive relief is granted by any court, suspending temporarily or permanently the implementation of this Agreement, then the Parties agree that all Project Work that would otherwise be covered by this Agreement should be continued to be bid and constructed without application of this Agreement so that there is no delay or interference with the ongoing planning, bidding and construction of any Project Work.

Section 16.2 Effect of Injunctions or Other Court Orders The Parties recognize the right of the City to withdraw, at its absolute discretion, the utilization of the Agreement as part of any bid specification should a Court of competent jurisdiction issue any order, or any applicable statute which could result, temporarily or permanently in delay of the bidding, awarding and/or construction on the Project. Notwithstanding such an action by the City, or such court order or statutory provision, the Parties agree that the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect on covered Project Work to the maximum extent legally possible.

## ARTICLE 17

### WAIVER

A waiver of or a failure to assert any provisions of this Agreement by any or all of the Parties hereto shall not constitute a waiver of such provision for the future. Any such waiver shall not constitute a modification of the Agreement or change in the terms and conditions of the

Agreement and shall not relieve, excuse or release any of the Parties from any of their rights, duties or obligations hereunder.

## **ARTICLE 18**

### **AMENDMENTS**

The provisions of this Agreement can be renegotiated, supplemented, rescinded, or otherwise altered only by mutual agreement in writing, hereafter signed by the negotiating Parties hereto.

## **ARTICLE 19**

### **DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT**

#### **Section 19.1 Duration**

(a) This Agreement shall be effective from the date signed by all Parties for all contracts that are executed after the Effective Date of this Agreement, and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years with three one-year renewals upon mutual written agreement of the Parties, unless either Party provides written notice of its intent to terminate, sent no later than sixty (60) days prior to the termination date or successor termination date; provided, however, that this Agreement may be extended by mutual written agreement of the Parties. Any covered Project awarded during the term of this Agreement shall continue to be covered hereunder, until completion of the Project, notwithstanding the expiration date of this Agreement.

(b) This Agreement may be extended by mutual consent of the City and the signatory Unions for such further periods as the Parties shall agree to.

#### **Section 19.2 Turnover and Final Acceptance of Completed Work**

(a) Construction of any phase, portion, section, or segment of Project Work shall be deemed complete when such phase, portion, section, or segment has been turned over to the City by the Contractor and the City has accepted such phase, portion, section, or segment. As areas and systems of the Project are inspected and construction-tested and/or approved and accepted by the City or third parties with the approval of the City, the Agreement shall have no further

force or effect on such items or areas, except when the Contractor is directed by the City to engage and repairs or modifications required by its contract(s) with the City.

(b) Notice of each final acceptance received by the Contractor will be provided to the Council with the description of what portion, segment, etc. has been accepted. Final acceptance may be subject to a “punch” list, and in such case, the Agreement will continue to apply to each such item on the list until it is completed to the satisfaction of the City and Notice of Completion is issued by the City or its representative to the Contractor. At the request of the Union, complete information describing any “punch” list work, as well as any additional work required of a Contractor at the direction of the City pursuant to (a) above, involving otherwise turned-over and completed facilities which have been accepted by the City, will be available from the Project Labor Coordinator.

IN WITNESS whereof the Parties have caused this Project Labor Agreement to be executed as of the date and year above stated.

CITY OF POMONA

LOS ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTIES  
BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION  
TRADES COUNCIL

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Anita Gutierrez

City Manager

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Ernesto Medrano

Executive Secretary

LOS ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION  
TRADES COUNCIL CRAFT UNIONS AND DISTRICT COUNCILS

Asbestos Heat & Frost Insulators (Local 5)	_____
Boilermakers (Local 92)	_____
Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers (Local 4)	_____
Cement Masons (Local 600)	_____
Electricians (Local 11)	_____
Elevator Constructors (Local 18)	_____
Gunitite Workers (Local 345)	_____
Iron Workers (Reinforced – Local 416)	_____
Iron Workers (Structural – Local 433)	_____
District Council of Laborers	_____
Laborers (Local 300)	_____
Laborers (Local 1184)	_____
Operating Engineers (Local 12)	_____
Operating Engineers (Local 12)	_____
Operating Engineers (Local 12)	_____
Painters & Allied Trades DC 36	_____
Pipe Trades (Local 250)	_____
Pipe Trades (Local 345)	_____
Pipe Trades (Plumbers Local 78)	_____
Pipe Trades (Sprinkler Fitters Local 709)	_____
Plasterers (Local 200)	_____
Plaster Tenders Local (1414)	_____

Roofers & Waterproofers (Local 36)

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Sheet Metal Workers (Local 105)

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Teamsters (Local 986)

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Western States Regional Council of Carpenters

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## ATTACHMENT A – LETTER OF ASSENT

To be signed by all contractors awarded work covered by the Project Labor Agreement prior to commencing work.

[Contractor's Letterhead]

City of Pomona

1234 address

City, state, zip code

Attn: \_\_\_\_\_

Re: Project Labor Agreement - Letter of Assent

To whom it may concern:

This is to confirm that [name of company] agrees to be party to and bound by the City of Pomona Project Labor Agreement effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, as such Agreement may, from time to time, be amended by the negotiating parties or interpreted pursuant to its terms. Such obligation to be a party and bound by this Agreement shall extend to all work covered by the agreement undertaken by this Company on the project and this Company shall require all of its contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier to be similarly bound for all work within the scope of the Agreement by signing and furnishing to you an identical letter of assent prior to their commencement of work.

Sincerely.

[Name of Construction Company]

By: [\_\_\_\_\_] Name and Title of Authorized Executive

Contractor's State License No: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Pomona

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

[Copies of this letter must be submitted to the City and to the Council.]

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **LOCAL RESIDENT ZIP CODES**

#### **(TIER 1)**

##### **CITY OF POMONA ZIP CODES**

91750	91768	91765
91769	91766	91789
91767		

#### **(TIER 2)**

##### **ZIP CODES WITHIN 15 MILES OF POMONA CITY HALL**

91763	92821	92822
91710	92887	
91724	91730	91791
91773	92880	91785
91788	92870	91792
91711	92811	91723
91758	90632	92823
91709	92835	91708
91786	91741	91748
91762	91722	91729
91761	91784	90633
91743	91744	92885
92871	92886	91747
91701	91764	91749
91706	91793	91740

91790

91702

(TIER 3) 50-mile radius

THE REMAINING ZIP CODES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

90002	90046	90073
90003	90047	90074
90004	90048	90075
90005	90049	90076
90008	90050	90077
90009	90051	90078
90010	90052	90080
90016	90053	90081
90018	90054	90082
90019	90055	90083
90020	90056	90084
90024	90059	90086
90025	90060	90087
90028	90061	90088
90030	90062	90091
90034	90064	90093
90035	90066	90094
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90038	90068	90096
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91106	90670	91801
91107	90706	91803
91108	90723	92833
91202	91001	93543
91203	91006	93544
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90033	91207	93563
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90040	91745	93590
90041	91745	93591
90042	90079	93599



## ATTACHMENT C

### CITY OF POMONA CRAFT REQUEST FORM

**TO THE CONTRACTOR:** Please complete and submit this form to the applicable union to request craft workers that fulfill the hiring requirements for this project. After submitting your request, please call the Local to verify receipt and substantiate their capacity to furnish workers as specified below. Please keep copies for your records.

The City of Pomona Project Labor Agreement establishes a goal that 30% of all of the labor and craft positions shall be from Veterans and individuals who have successfully completed the Building Trades Multi-Craft Core Curriculum Pre-Apprenticeship Program, regardless of where they reside, and qualified area residents residing: first, in those first tier zip codes which overlap with the City of Pomona, as reflected on the list of U.S. Postal Service zip codes in Attachment B, second, in those second tier zip codes within a (15) mile radius from City Hall, as reflected in Attachment B, and third, in those third tier zip codes within the remainder of the County of Los Angeles, as reflected in Attachment B. For dispatch purposes, these employees shall be referred to as “Local Residents.”

**TO THE UNION:** Please complete the “Union Use Only” section on the next page and fax this form back to the requesting Contractor. Be sure to retain a copy of this form for your records.

#### CONTRACTOR USE ONLY

**To:** Union Local # \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax#** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cc: Project Labor Coordinator**

**From:** Company: \_\_\_\_\_ **Issued By:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE PROVIDE ME WITH THE FOLLOWING UNION CRAFT WORKERS.

Craft Classification ( i.e., plumber, painter, etc.)	Journeyman or Apprentice	Local Resident or General Dispatch	Number of workers needed	Report Date	Report Time

<b>TOTAL WORKERS REQUESTED = _____</b>					

Please have worker(s) report to the following work address indicated below:

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Site: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Report to: \_\_\_\_\_ On-site Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ On-site Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment or Special Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

**UNION USE ONLY**

Date dispatch request received:
Dispatch received by:
Classification of worker requested:
Classification of worker dispatched:

Name:		
Date worker was dispatched:		
Is the worker referred a: (check all that apply)		
JOURNEYMAN	Yes _____	No _____
APPRENTICE	Yes _____	No _____
LOCAL RESIDENT	Yes _____	No _____
GENERAL DISPATCH FROM OUT OF WORK LIST	Yes _____	No _____

**WORKER REFERRED**

[This form is not intended to replace a Local Union's Dispatch or Referral Form  
normally given to the employee when being dispatched to the jobsite.]

## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **LOS ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL**

#### **APPROVED**

#### **DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY**

(rev. December 2019)

The Parties recognize the problems which drug and alcohol abuse have created in the construction industry and the need to develop drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs. Accordingly, the Parties agree that in order to enhance the safety of the workplace and to maintain a drug and alcohol-free work environment, individual Employers may require applicants or employees to undergo drug and alcohol testing.

1. It is understood that the use, possession, transfer or sale of illegal drugs, narcotics, or other unlawful substances, as well as being under the influence of alcohol and the possession or consuming alcohol is absolutely prohibited while employees are on the Employer's job premises or while working on any jobsite in connection with work performed under the Project Labor Agreement ("PLA").

2. No Employer may implement a drug testing program which does not conform in all respects to the provisions of this Policy.

3. No Employer may implement drug testing at any jobsite unless written notice is given to the Union setting forth the location of the jobsite, a description of the project under construction, and the name and telephone number of the Project Supervisor. Said notice shall be addressed to the office of each Union signing the PLA. Said notice shall be sent by email or by registered mail before the implementation of drug testing. Failure to give such notice shall make any drug testing engaged in by the Employer a violation of the PLA, and the Employer may not implement any form of drug testing at such jobsite for the following six months.

4. An Employer who elects to implement drug testing pursuant to this Agreement shall require all employees on the Project to be tested. With respect to individuals who become employed on the Project subsequent to the proper implementation of a valid drug testing program, such test shall be administered upon the commencement of employment on the project, whether by referral from a Union Dispatch Office, transfer from another project, or another method. Individuals who were employed on the project prior to

the proper implementation of a valid drug testing program may only be subjected to testing for the reasons set forth in paragraphs 5(g)(1) through 5(g)(3) and paragraphs 6(a) through 6(e) of this Policy. Refusal to undergo such testing shall be considered sufficient grounds to deny employment on the project.

5. The following procedure shall apply to all drug testing:

a. The Employer may request urine samples only. The applicant or employee shall not be observed when the urine specimen is given. An applicant or employee, at his or her sole option, shall, upon request, receive a blood test in lieu of a urine test. No employee of the Employer shall draw blood from a bargaining unit employee, touch or handle urine specimens, or in any way become involved in the chain of custody of urine or blood specimens. A Union Business Representative, subject to the approval of the individual applicant or employee, shall be permitted to accompany the applicant or employee to the collection facility to observe the collection, bottling, and sealing of the specimen.

b. An employer may request an applicant to perform an alcohol breathalyzer test, at a certified laboratory only and cutoff levels shall be those mandated by applicable state or federal law.

c. The testing shall be done by a laboratory approved by the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), which is chosen by the Employer and the Union.

d. An initial test shall be performed using the Enzyme Multiplied Immunoassay Technique (EMIT). In the event a question or positive result arises from the initial test, a confirmation test must be utilized before action can be taken against the applicant or employee. The confirmation test will be by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS). Cutoff levels for both the initial test and confirmation test will be those established by SAMHSA. Should these SAMHSA levels be changed during the course of this Agreement or new testing procedures are approved, then these new regulations will be deemed as part of this existing Agreement. Confirmed positive samples will be retained by the testing laboratory in secured long-term frozen storage for a minimum of one year. Handling and transportation of each sample must be documented through strict chain of custody procedures.

e. In the event of a confirmed positive test result the applicant or employee may request, within forty-eight (48) hours, a sample of his/her specimen from the testing laboratory for purposes of a second test to be performed at a second laboratory, designated by the Union and approved by SAMHSA. The retest must be performed within ten (10) days of the request. Chain of custody for this sample shall be maintained by the Employer between the original testing laboratory and the Union's designated laboratory. Retesting shall be performed at the applicant's or employee's expense. In the event of conflicting test results the Employer may require a third test.

f. If, as a result of the above testing procedure, it is determined that an applicant or employee has tested positive, this shall be considered sufficient grounds to deny the applicant or employee his/her employment on the project.

g. No individual who tests negative for drugs pursuant to the above procedure and becomes employed on the project shall again be subjected to drug testing with the following exceptions:

1. Employees who are involved in industrial accidents resulting in damage to plant, property or equipment or injury to him/her or others may be tested for drug or alcohol pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove.

2. The Employer may test employees following thirty (30) days advance written notice to the employee(s) to be tested and to the applicable Union. Notice to the applicable Union shall be as set forth in paragraph 3 above and such testing shall be pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove.

3. The Employer may test an employee where the Employer has reasonable cause to believe that the employee is impaired from performing his/her job. Reasonable cause shall be defined as being aberrant or unusual behavior, the type of which is a recognized and accepted symptom of impairment (i.e., slurred speech, unusual lack of muscular coordination, etc.). Such behavior must be actually observed by at least two persons, one of whom shall be a supervisor who has been trained to recognize the symptoms of drug abuse or impairment and the other of whom shall be the Job Steward. If the Job Steward is unavailable or there is no Job Steward on the project the other person shall be a member of the applicable Union's bargaining unit. Testing shall be pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove. Employees who are tested pursuant to the exceptions set forth in this paragraph and who test positive will be removed from the Employer's payroll.

h. Applicants or employees who do not test positive shall be paid for all time lost while undergoing drug testing. Payment shall be at the applicable wage and benefit rates set forth in the applicable Union's Master Labor Agreement. Applicants who have been dispatched from the Union and who are not put to work pending the results of a test will be paid waiting time until such time as they are put to work. It is understood that an applicant must pass the test as a condition of employment. Applicants who are put to work pending the results of a test will be considered probationary employees.

6. The Employers will be allowed to conduct periodic jobsite drug testing on the Project under the following conditions:



- a. The entire jobsite must be tested, including any employee or subcontractor's employee who worked on that project three (3) working days before or after the date of the test;
- b. Jobsite testing cannot commence sooner than fifteen (15) days after start of the work on the project;
- c. Prior to start of periodic testing, a Business Representative will be allowed to conduct an educational period on company time to explain periodic jobsite testing program to affected employees;
- d. Testing shall be conducted by a SAMHSA certified laboratory, pursuant to the provisions set forth in paragraph 5 hereinabove.
- e. Only two (2) periodic tests may be performed in a twelve (12) month period.

It is understood that the unsafe use of prescribed medication, or where the use of prescribed medication impairs the employee's ability to perform work, is a basis for the Employer to remove the employee from the jobsite.

Any grievance or dispute which may arise out of the application of this Agreement shall be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedures set forth in the PLA.

7. The establishment or operation of this Policy shall not curtail any right of any employee found in any law, rule or regulation. Should any part of this Agreement be found unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction or a public agency having jurisdiction over the parties, the remaining portions of the Agreement shall be unaffected, and the parties shall enter negotiations to replace the affected provision.

8. Present employees, if tested positive, shall have the prerogative for rehabilitation program at the employee's expense. When such program has been successfully completed the Employer shall not discriminate in any way against the employee. If work for which the employee is qualified exists, he/she shall be reinstated.

9. The Employer agrees that results of urine and blood tests performed hereunder will be considered medical records held confidential to the extent permitted or required by law. Such records shall not be released to any persons or entities other than designated Employer representatives and the applicable Union.

Such release to the applicable Union shall only be allowed upon the signing of a written release and the information contained therein shall not be used to discourage the employment of the individual applicant or employee on any subsequent occasion.

10. Employer shall indemnify and hold the Union harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, or liabilities that may arise out of the application of this Agreement and/or any program permitted hereunder.

11. Employees who seek voluntary assistance for substance abuse may not be disciplined for seeking such assistance. Requests from employees for such assistance shall remain confidential and shall not be revealed to other employees or management personnel without the employee's consent. Employees enrolled in substance abuse programs will be subject to all Employer rules, regulations and job performance standards with the understanding that an employee enrolled in such a program is receiving treatment for an illness.

12. The parties agree to develop and implement a drug abuse prevention and testing program for all apprentices entering the industry.

13. This Memorandum of Understanding shall constitute the only Agreement in effect between the parties concerning drug and alcohol abuse, prevention and testing. Any modifications thereto must be accomplished pursuant to collective bargaining negotiations between the parties.

## APPENDIX A: SPECIMEN REPORTING CRITERIA

Initial Test Analyte	Initial Test Cutoff 1	Confirmatory Test Analyte	Confirmatory Test Cutoff Concentration
Marijuana metabolites (THCA) <sup>2</sup>	50 ng/ml 3	THCA	15 ng/ml
Cocaine metabolite (Benzoyllecgonine)	150 ng/ml 3	Benzoyllecgonine	100 ng/ml
Codeine/ Morphine	2000 ng/ml	Codeine Morphine	2000 ng/ml 2000 ng/ml
Hydrocodone/ Hydromorphone	300 ng/ml	Hydrocodone Hydromorphone	100 ng/ml 100 ng/ml
Alcohol	0.02%	Ethanol	0.02%
Oxycodone/ Oxymorphone	100 ng/ml	Oxycodone Oxymorphone	100 ng/ml 100 ng/ml
6-Acetylmorphine	10 ng/ml	6-Acetylmorphine	10 ng/ml
Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml	Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml
Amphetamine/ Methamphetamine	500 ng/ml	Amphetamine Methamphetamine	250 ng/ml 250 ng/ml

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<sup>1</sup> For grouped analytes (i.e., two or more analytes that are in the same drug class and have the same initial test cutoff):

**Immunoassay:** The test must be calibrated with one analyte from the group identified as the target analyte. The cross-reactivity of the immunoassay to the other analyte(s) within the group must be 80 percent or greater; if not, separate immunoassays must be used for the analytes within the group.

**Alternate technology:** Either one analyte or all analytes from the group must be used for calibration, depending on the technology. At least one analyte within the group must have a concentration equal to or greater than the initial test cutoff or, alternatively, the sum of the analytes present (i.e., equal to or greater than the laboratory's validated limit of quantification) must be equal to or greater than the initial test cutoff.

<sup>2</sup> An immunoassay must be calibrated with the target analyte, 9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9- carboxylic acid (THCA).

<sup>3</sup> **Alternate technology (THCA and benzoyllecgonine):** The confirmatory test cutoff must be used for an alternate technology initial test that is specific for the target analyte (i.e., 15 ng/ml for THCA, 100 ng/ ml for benzoyllecgonine).

MDMA4/MDA5	500 ng/ml	MDMA MDA	250 ng/ml 250 ng/ml
Initial Test Analyte	Initial Test Cutoff	Confirmatory Test Analyte	Confirmatory Test Cutoff Concentration
Barbiturates	300 ng/ml	Barbiturates	200 ng/ml
Benzodiazepines	300 ng/ml	Benzodiazepines	300 ng/ml
Methadone	300 ng/ml	Methadone	100 ng/ml
Methaqualone	300 ng/ml	Methaqualone	300 ng/ml
Propoxyphene	300 ng/ml	Propoxyphene	100 ng/ml

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<sup>4</sup> Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA)

<sup>5</sup> Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)

## **TESTING POLICY FOR DRUG ABUSE**

It is hereby agreed between the parties hereto that an Employer who has otherwise properly implemented drug testing, as set forth in the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse, shall have the right to offer an applicant or employee a "quick" drug screening test. This "quick" screen test shall consist either of the "ICUP" urine screen or similar test or an oral screen test. The applicant or employee shall have the absolute right to select either of the two "quick" screen tests, or to reject both and request a full drug test.

An applicant or employee who selects one of the "quick" screen tests, and who passes the test, shall be put to work immediately. An applicant or employee who fails the "quick" screen test, or who rejects the "quick" screen tests, shall be tested pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse. The sample used for the "quick" screen test shall be discarded immediately upon conclusion of the test. An applicant or employee shall not be deprived of any rights granted to them by the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse as a result of any occurrence related to the "quick" screen test.

**ATTACHMENT E**  
**PROJECTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS AGREEMENT**