# Big Rivers Electric Corporation General Services Agreement

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WHEREAS, Contractor desires the opportunity to provide goods and/or services to Big Rivers Electric Corporation from time to time, and Big Rivers Electric Corporation desire the opportunity to engage Contractor to provide such goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the parties intend that this General Services Agreement sets forth the exclusive set of terms and conditions which shall govern the performance of the "Work" (as defined below) by Contractor for the Company should the Company engage Contractor to provide Work.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, the mutual covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties do agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS**

- **1.1 Agreement:** "Agreement" shall mean this General Services Agreement, along with any "Specifications, (as defined below) and/or Purchase Order (as defined below) issued by Company and/or ", etc. any other documentation as may be executed by the parties in accordance with Article 2, and/or other agreed collateral document pursuant to which the Work is to be performed.
- **1.2 Applicable Laws:** "Applicable Laws" shall mean any and all applicable federal, state, or local laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, administrative rules, court orders, permits or executive orders.
- 1.3 Contract Price: "Contract Price" shall mean the aggregate of the particular consideration set forth in one or more Purchase Orders or other Statements of Work or as otherwise agreed upon. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the Contract Price includes all applicable taxes, duties, fees, and assessments of any nature, including without limitation all sales and use taxes, due to any governmental authority with respect to the Work.
- **1.4 Contractor:** "Contractor" shall mean the entity designated as the "Contractor" in the opening paragraph of this Agreement.
- 1.5 Company: "Company" shall mean Big Rivers Electric Corporation
- 1.6 Purchase Order: "Purchase Order" shall mean the numerically controlled, principle contract document that incorporates, by reference, the agreed-to scope of Work and/or Specification; all exhibits of the scope of Work and/or Specification; any mutually agreed-to amendments to the Purchase Order, Work, or Specification; and any mutually agreed-to change orders to the Purchase Order, Work, or Specification. Company may, at its discretion, issue its "Purchase Order Standard Terms and Conditions" (collectively referred to as a "Purchase Order") that may supplement, but in no way or manner ever supersede, this Agreement with respect to any conflicting terms and conditions.
- **Specifications:** "Specifications" shall mean any specifications, instructions, drawings, schedules, a Purchase Order, contracts, scopes of work, and/or statements of work.
- **1.8** Work: "Work" shall include those services and/or goods set forth in this Agreement.
- **Tools and Equipment:** "Tools and Equipment" shall mean any tools, equipment, rigging and other general supplies on the Company's premises where the Work is being performed that is either owned and/or leased by Company or by any of its Affiliates.

## ARTICLE 2 SCOPE; BINDING EFFECT

Unless otherwise agreed in a writing executed by each of the parties which evidences a clear intention to supersede this Agreement, the parties intend that this Agreement apply to all transactions which may occur between the Company on one hand and Contractor on the other hand during the term of this Agreement and which are related to the provision of goods and/or services by Contractor for the benefit of the Company. Neither the Company makes any commitment to Contractor as to the exclusiveness of this relationship or as to the volume, if any, of business the Company will do with Contractor. The parties do, however, anticipate that the parties will agree from time to time for the performance of Work by Contractor. Such agreement for the provision of Work shall be reflected by (a) each of the parties executing a mutually acceptable Statement of Work under this Agreement or (b) Company providing a Purchase Order or other Statement of Work to Contractor and Contractor accepting such Purchase Order or other Statement of Work (including by commencing performance pursuant to such Purchase Order or other Statement of Work). In the event Company provides a Purchase Order or other Statement of Work to Contractor and Contractor commences performance, unless such Purchase Order or other Statement of Work expressly provides otherwise, Contractor hereby agrees to the formation of a binding agreement as described in the Purchase Order or other Statement of Work upon Contractor's commencement of performance, waives any argument that it might otherwise have under Applicable Laws that the Purchase Order should have been

executed by each of the parties to be enforceable and further agrees to not contest the enforceability of such Purchase Order or other Statement of Work on those grounds, and agrees to not contest the admissibility of Company's records related to such Purchase Order or other Statement of Work that are kept in the ordinary course by Company. In addition, in no event shall the terms and conditions of any proposal, Purchase Order or other Statement of Work, acknowledgement, invoice, or other document unilaterally issued by Contractor be binding upon Company without Company's explicit written acceptance thereof. Any Work performed by Contractor without Company's binding commitment for such Work either via a duly executed or accepted Purchase Order or other Statement of Work under this Agreement shall be at Contractor's sole risk and expense, and Company shall have no obligation to pay for any such Work.

# ARTICLE 3 CONDITIONS AND RISKS OF WORK; LABOR HARMONY

Unless the applicable Statement of Work expressly provides otherwise, Contractor agrees that before beginning any Work Contractor shall carefully examine all conditions relevant to such Work and its surroundings, and, unless Contractor notifies Company in writing that it will not perform the Work under such conditions, Contractor shall assume the risk of such conditions and shall, regardless of such conditions, the expense, or difficulty of performing the Work, fully complete the Work for the stated Contract Price applicable to such Work without further recourse to Company. Without limiting the foregoing, Contractor specifically recognizes that Company and other parties may be working concurrently at the site. Information on the site of the Work and local conditions at such site furnished by Company in specifications, drawings, or otherwise is made without representation or warranty of any nature by Company, is not guaranteed by Company, and is furnished solely for the convenience of Contractor. All drawings and other documents, if any, required to be submitted to Company for review shall be submitted in accordance with the mutually agreed to schedule, and, if no schedule applies, such drawings or other documents shall be submitted by Contractor without unreasonable delay. No Work affected by such drawings and other documents shall be started until Contractor is authorized to do so by Company. In case of a conflict between or within instructions, specifications, drawings, schedules, Purchase Order(s) and/or other Statements of Work, Company shall resolve such conflict; and Company's resolution shall be binding on Contractor. Contractor agrees that all labor employed by Contractor, its agents, or subcontractors for Work on the premises of Company shall be in harmony with all other labor being used by Company or other contractors working on Company's premises. Contractor agrees to give Company immediate notice of any threatened or actual labor dispute and will provide assistance as determined necessary by Company to resolve any such dispute. Contractor, its agents, or subcontractors shall remove from Company's premises any person objected to by Company in association with the Work.

## **ARTICLE 4 COMPANY CHANGES IN WORK**

The scope of and conditions applicable to the Work shall be subject to changes by Company from time to time. Such changes shall only be enforceable if documented in a writing executed by Company. Except as otherwise specifically set forth in this Agreement, changes in the scope of or conditions applicable to the Work may result in adjustments in the Contract Price and/or the Work schedule in accordance with this Article 4. If Contractor believes that adjustment of the Contract Price or the Work schedule is justified, whether as a result of a change made pursuant to this Article or as a result of any other circumstance, then Contractor shall (a) give Company written notice of its claim within five (5) business days after receipt of notice of such change or the occurrence of such circumstances and (b) shall supply a written statement supporting Contractor's claim within ten (10) business days after receipt of notice of such change or occurrence of such circumstances, which statement shall include Contractor's detailed estimate of the effect on the Contract Price and/or the Work schedule. Contractor agrees to continue performance of the Work during the time any claim hereunder is pending. Company shall not be bound to any adjustments in the Contract Price or the Work schedule unless expressly agreed to by Company in writing. Company will not be liable for, and Contractor waives, any claims of Contractor that Contractor knew or should have known and that were not reported by Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE 5 FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party shall be liable to the other for any damages for any failure to perform or for any delays or interruptions beyond that party's reasonable control in performing any of its obligations under this Agreement due to acts of God, fires, floods, earthquakes, riots, war, acts of terrorism, civil insurrection, acts of the public enemy, or acts or failures to act of civil or military authority, unless the time to perform is expressly guaranteed. Contractor shall advise Company immediately of any anticipated and actual failure, delay, or interruption and the cause and estimated duration of such event. Any such failure, delay, or interruption, even though existing on the date of this Agreement or on the date of the start of the Work, shall require Contractor to within five (5) days submit a recovery plan detailing the manner in which the failure, delay, or interruption shall be remedied and the revised schedule. Contractor shall diligently proceed with the Work notwithstanding the occurrence thereof. This Article shall apply only to the part of the Work directly affected by the particular failure, delay, or interruption, and shall not apply to the Work as a whole or any other unaffected part thereof.

# **ARTICLE 6 CONTRACTOR DELAYS**

Time is an important and material consideration in the performance of this Agreement by Contractor. Contractor agrees to cooperate with Company in scheduling the Work so that the project and other activities at Company's site will progress with a minimum of delays. Company shall not be responsible for compensating Contractor for any costs of overtime or other premium time work unless Company has provided separate prior written authorization for additional compensation to Contractor, and, if Company provides such written authorization, such additional compensation shall be limited to Contractor's actual cost of the

premium portion of wages, craft fringe benefits, and payroll burdens. Contractor shall be liable for all failures, delays, and interruptions in performing any of its obligations under this Agreement which are not (a) caused by Company and reported in accordance with Article 4, (b) excused by Article 5, or (c) directed by Company pursuant to Article 7. Contractor shall, without adjustment to completion date or Contract Price, be obligated to make up time lost by such failures, delays, or interruptions. Company may suspend payments under this Agreement during the period of any such failure, delay, or interruption.

# **ARTICLE 7 COMPANY EXTENSIONS**

Company shall have the right to extend schedules or suspend the Work, in whole or in part, at any time upon written notice to Contractor (except that in an emergency or in the event that Company identifies any safety concerns, Company may require an immediate suspension upon oral or written notice to Contractor). Contractor shall, upon receipt of such notice, immediately suspend or delay the Work. Contractor shall resume any suspended Work when directed by Company. If Contractor follows the requirements of Article 4, a mutually agreed equitable adjustment to the Contract Price or to the schedules for payments and performance of the remaining Work may be made to reflect Company's extension of schedules or suspension of the Work. Contractor shall provide Company all information Company shall request in connection with determining the amount of such equitable adjustment.

# ARTICLE 8 INSPECTING, TESTING, AUDITING, AND USE OF TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:

- **Right of Inspecting and Testing:** Company reserves the right, but shall not be obligated, to appoint representatives to follow the progress of the Work with authority to suspend any Work not in compliance with this Agreement. The appointment or absence of an appointment, of such representatives by Company shall not have any effect on warranties. Acceptance or approval by Company's representative shall not be deemed to constitute final acceptance by Company, nor shall Company's inspection relieve Contractor of responsibility for proper performance of the Work. Inspection by Company's representative shall not be deemed to be supervision or direction by Company of Contractor, its agents, servants, or employees, but shall be only for the purpose of attempting to ensure that the Work complies with this Agreement. In the event Contractor fails to provide Company with reasonable facilities and access for inspection when advised, and if in the opinion of Company, it becomes necessary to dismantle the Work for such inspection, then Contractor shall bear the expenses of such dismantling and reassembly.
- **Right of Auditing:** Contractor shall maintain complete records relating to any cost-based (i.e., Work not covered by firm prices) components of the Work billed under this Agreement or relating to the quantity of units billed under any unit price provisions of this Agreement (all the foregoing hereinafter referred to as "Records") for a minimum of five years following the latest of performance of, delivery to Company of, or payment by Company for, such Work or units. All such Records shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and reproduction during normal working hours, by Company or its authorized representatives to the extent necessary to adequately permit evaluation and verification of any invoices, payments, time sheets, or claims based on Contractor's actual costs incurred in the performance or delivery of Work under this Agreement. For the purpose of evaluating or verifying such actual or claimed costs, Company or its authorized representative shall have access to said Records at any time, including any time after final payment by Company to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. All non-public information obtained in the course of such audits shall be held in confidence except pursuant to judicial and administrative order. Company or its authorized representative shall have access, during normal working hours, to all necessary Contractor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this Article. Company shall give Contractor reasonable notice of intended audits. The rights of Company set forth in this paragraph shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- Use of Tools and Equipment: Company, in its sole discretion, may allow Contractor to use Company's Tools and Equipment for the Work and related activities at designated Company locations. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Company and its Affiliates, including their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents, members and employees (each an "Indemnified Party"), from and against any and all claims, damages, losses or liabilities arising out of, relating to, or in connection with, the use of Company's Tools and Equipment by Contractor, its agents, servants, employees or subcontractors, and will reimburse each Indemnified Party for all expenses (including attorney's fees and expenses) as they are incurred in connection with investigating, preparing or pursuing or defending any action, claim, suit or investigation or proceeding related to, arising out of, or in connection with, the use of Company's Tools and Equipment by Contractor, its agents, servants, employees or subcontractors, whether or not threatened or pending and whether or not any Indemnified Party is a party. Contractor, on behalf of itself or its agents, affiliates, officers and directors, and all of their predecessors, successors, assigns, heirs, executors and administrators, hereby irrevocably release, discharge, waive, relinquish and covenant not to sue, directly, derivatively or otherwise, Company and/or its Affiliates and each of their respective directors, officers, shareholders, members, partners (general or limited), employees and agents (including, without limitation, its financial advisors, counsel, proxy solicitors, information agents, depositories, consultants and public relations representatives) and all of their predecessors, successors, assigns, heirs, executors or administrators, and all persons acting in concert with any such person, with respect to any and all matters, actions causes of action (whether actually asserted or not), suits, damages, claims, or liabilities whatsoever, at law, equity or otherwise, arising out of, relating to, or in connection with the use of Company's Tools and Equipment by Contractor, its agents, servants, employees or subcontractors. Company shall in no event be liable for any claim whatsoever by or through Contractor, its employees, agents and/or subcontractors or by any third party, for any inoperability or failure of the Tools and Equipment to perform as designed or intended, whether such claim is based in warranty, contract, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise and whether for direct, incidental, consequential, special, exemplary or other damages. Contractor shall ensure that its employees, agents, subcontractors or servants shall inspect, exercise the appropriate level of care in

the use, maintenance and repair of the Tools and Equipment, so as to minimize the incidence of casualties and injuries occurring in connection therewith.

# ARTICLE 9 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS; SAFETY; DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING

- 9.1 Applicable Laws and Safety: Contractor agrees to protect its own and its subcontractors' employees and be responsible for their Work until Company's acceptance of the entire project and to protect Company's facilities, property, employees, and third parties from damage or injury. Contractor shall at all times be solely responsible for complying with all Applicable Laws and facility rules, including without limitation those relating to health and safety, in connection with the Work and for obtaining (but only as approved by Company) all permits and approvals necessary to perform the Work. Without limiting the foregoing, Contractor agrees to strictly abide by and observe all standards of the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) which are applicable to the Work being performed now or in the future, as well as Company's Contractor Code of Business Conduct and Company's Contractor/Subcontractor Safety Policy which are both hereby incorporated by reference (Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of such Company's Contractor Code of Business Conduct and Company's Contractor/Subcontractor Safety Policy) and any other rules and regulations of the Company, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. Contractor also agrees to be bound to any amendments and/or modifications that may be issued in the future by Company from time to time, with respect to Company's Contractor Code of Business Conduct and/or any of its related policies which are the subject of this Article 9. Contractor shall maintain the Work site in a safe and orderly condition at all times. Company shall have the right but not the obligation to review Contractor's compliance with safety and cleanup measures. In the event Contractor fails to keep the work area clean, Company shall have the right to perform such cleanup on behalf of, at the risk of and at the expense of Contractor. In the event Contractor subcontracts any of the Work, Contractor shall notify Company in writing of the identity of the subcontractor before utilizing the subcontractor. Contractor shall require all of its subcontractors to complete the safety and health questionnaire and checklists provided by Company and shall provide a copy of such documents to Company upon request. Contractor shall conduct, and require its subcontractors to conduct, safety audits and job briefings during performance of the Work. In the event a subcontractor has no procedure for conducting safety audits and job briefings, Contractor shall include the subcontractor in its safety audits and job briefings. All safety audits shall be documented in writing by the Contractor and its subcontractors. Contractor shall provide documentation of any and all audits identifying safety deficiencies and concerns and corrective action taken as a result of such audits to Company semi-monthly.
- 9.2 Hazards and Training: Contractor shall furnish adequate numbers of trained, qualified, and experienced personnel and appropriate safety and other equipment in first-class condition, suitable for performance of the Work. Such personnel shall be skilled and properly trained to perform the Work and recognize all hazards associated with the Work. Without limiting the foregoing, Contractor shall participate in any safety orientation or other of Company's familiarization initiatives related to safety and shall strictly comply with any monitoring initiatives as determined by Company. Contractor shall accept all equipment, structures, and property of Company as found and acknowledges it has inspected the property, has determined the hazards incident to working thereon or thereabouts, and has adopted suitable precautions and methods for the protection and safety of its employees and the property.
- 9.3 **Drug and Alcohol:** No person will perform any of the Work while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. No alcohol may be consumed within four (4) hours of the start of any person's performance of the Work or anytime during the workday. A person will be deemed under the influence of alcohol if a level of 0.02 percent blood alcohol or greater is found. In addition to the requirements of the drug testing program, as set forth in Company's rules and regulations, all persons who will perform any of the Work will be subject to drug and alcohol testing under either of the following circumstances: (i) where the person's performance either contributed to an accident or cannot be completely discounted as a contributing factor to an accident which involves off-site medical treatment of any person; and (ii) where Company determines in its sole discretion that there is reasonable cause to believe such person is using drugs or alcohol or may otherwise be unfit for duty. Such persons will not be permitted to perform any Work until the test results are established. Contractor shall be solely responsible for administering and conducting drug and alcohol testing, as set forth herein, at Contractor's sole expense. As applicable and in addition to any other requirements under this Agreement, Contractor shall develop and strictly comply with any and all drug testing requirements as required by Applicable Laws.
- **Drug and Alcohol Testing:** Contractor's employees working on-site shall be required to complete a negative drug and alcohol pre-test within seven (7) days before reporting to work on-site at Big Rivers. The Contractor shall conduct random drug and alcohol testing on ten percent (10%) of their on-site workforce assigned to Big Rivers within thirty (30) days of the start of Work. The Contractor shall subsequently test ten percent (10%) of their on-site workforce assigned to Big Rivers on an on-going monthly basis for the duration of the contract or outage. Big Rivers reserves the right to audit the Contractor's compliance with these requirements. Testing costs are the responsibility of the Contractor. Testing should be conducted using a licensed health care facility or FDA-approved testing device consisting of, at a minimum, a 10 panel drug test (including Amphetamines, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Cannabinoids, Cocaine, Methaqualone, Opiate, Phencyclidine, Methadone, and Propoxyphene) suitable for on-site testing and under the supervision of a certified Medical Review Officer. The Contractor is responsible for all testing and administrative costs associated with the random drug and alcohol testing requirement however, it is anticipated that any employee's time away from the job for random testing will occur during regularly scheduled work hours paid by Big Rivers. The confidentiality of individual test results for your employees should be maintained according to all applicable regulations. Big Rivers will randomly audit contractor testing programs to ensure requirements are met.
- 9.5 Office of Compliance: The Company has an Office of Compliance. Should Contractor have actual knowledge of violations

of any of the herein stated policies of conduct in this Article 9, or have a reasonable basis to believe that such violations will occur in the future, whether by its own employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors, or by another vendor and/or supplier of the Company and its employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors, or by any employee, agent and/or representative of Company, Contractor has an affirmative obligation to immediately report any such known, perceived and/or anticipated violations to the Company's Office.

# ARTICLE 10 STATUS OF CONTRACTOR

Company does not reserve any right to control the methods or manner of performance of the Work by

Contractor. Contractor, in performing the Work, shall not act as an agent or employee of Company, but shall be and act as an independent contractor and shall be free to perform the Work by such methods and in such manner as Contractor may choose, doing everything necessary to perform such Work properly and safely and having supervision over and responsibility for the safety and actions of its employees and the suitability of its equipment. Contractor's employees and subcontractors shall not be deemed to be employees of Company. Contractor agrees that if any portion of Contractor's Work is subcontracted, all such subcontractors shall be bound by and observe the conditions of this Agreement to the same extent as required of Contractor. In such event, Company strongly encourages the use of Minority Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, as defined under federal law and as certified by a certifying agency that Company recognizes as proper.

## ARTICLE 11 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

To the extent applicable, Contractor shall comply with all of the following provisions, which are incorporated herein by reference: (i) Equal Opportunity regulations set forth in 41 CFR § 60-1.4(a) and (c), prohibiting employment discrimination against any employee or applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin; (ii) Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act regulations set forth in 41 CFR § 60-250.4 relating to the employment and advancement of disabled veterans and Vietnam era veterans; (iii) Rehabilitation Act regulations set forth in 41 CFR § 60-741.4 relating to the employment and advancement of qualified disabled employees and applicants for employment; (iv) the clause known as "Utilization of Small Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned and Controlled by Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individuals" set forth in 15 USC § 637(d)(3); and (v) the subcontracting plan requirement set forth in 15 USC § 637(d).

## ARTICLE 12 INDEMNITY BY CONTRACTOR

12.1 Indemnity: Contractor shall be responsible for and shall defend, indemnify, and save harmless Big Rivers Electric Corporation from any and all damage, loss, claim, demand, suit, liability, fine, penalty, or forfeiture of every kind and nature, including, but not limited to, costs and expenses, including professional fees and court costs of defending against the same and payment of any settlement or judgment therefor, by reason of:

- a. injuries or deaths to persons,
- b. damages to or destruction of real, personal, or intangible properties,
- c. violations of any other rights asserted against Big Rivers Electric Corporation, including patents, trademarks, trade names, copyrights, contract rights, and easements, or
- d. violations of governmental laws, regulations or orders whether suffered directly by Big Rivers Electric Corporation itself, or indirectly by reason of claims, demands or suits against it, resulting or alleged to have resulted from acts or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents, business invitees, or other representatives or from their presence on the premises of Big Rivers Electric Corporation, either solely or in occurrence with any alleged joint negligence of Big Rivers Electric Corporation.

Big Rivers Electric Corporation shall be liable for its sole negligence and to the extent of its concurrent negligence. Indemnification of Big Rivers Electric Corporation includes its officers, employees, and agents.

#### **ARTICLE 13 ENVIRONMENTAL**

13.1 Control: As required under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200) and certain other Applicable Laws, Contractor or its subcontractors shall provide Material Safety Data Sheets ("MSDS") covering any hazardous substances and materials furnished under or otherwise associated with the Work under this Agreement. Contractor and its subcontractors shall provide Company with either copies of the applicable MSDS or copies of a document certifying that no MSDS are required under any Applicable Laws in effect at the worksite. No asbestos or lead containing materials shall be incorporated into any Work performed by Contractor or otherwise left on the Work site without the prior written approval of Company. Contractor and its subcontractors shall be solely responsible for determining if any chemical or material furnished, used, applied, or stored or Work performed under this Agreement is subject to any Applicable Laws.

- **Labeling:** Contractor and its subcontractors shall label hazardous substances and materials and train their employees in the safe usage and handling of such substances and materials as required under any Applicable Laws.
- 13.3 Releases: Contractor and its subcontractors shall be solely responsible for the management of any petroleum or hazardous substances and materials brought onto the Work site and shall prevent the release of petroleum or hazardous substances and materials into the environment. All petroleum or hazardous substances and materials shall be handled and stored according to Contractor's written Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan or Best Management Practices Plan as defined under the provisions of the Clean Water Act, as amended, if either such Plan must be maintained pursuant to Applicable Laws. Contractor shall provide secondary containment for the storage of petroleum or hazardous substances and materials. The prompt and proper

clean-up of any spills, leaks, or other releases of petroleum or hazardous substances and materials resulting from the performance of the Work under this Agreement and the proper disposal of any residues shall be Contractor's sole responsibility, but Contractor shall give Company immediate notice of any such spills, leaks, or other releases. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the storage, removal, and disposal of any excess or unused quantities of chemicals and materials which Contractor causes to be brought to the Work site.

13.4 Generated Wastes: Unless Company and Contractor expressly agree otherwise in writing,

Contractor and its subcontractors shall be solely responsible for any wastes generated in the course of the Work, and Contractor shall handle, store, and dispose of such wastes in accordance with any Applicable Laws.

13.5 Survival: The obligations set forth in this Article shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 14 INSURANCE**

- **14.1 Contractor's Insurance Obligation:** Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require any subcontractor to provide and maintain the following insurance (and, except with regard to Workers' Compensation), naming Company as additional insured and waiving rights of subrogation against Company and Company's insurance carrier(s)), and shall submit evidence of such coverage to Company prior to the start of the Work. Seller's liability shall not be limited to its insurance coverage.
- **14.2 Insurance:** Seller shall furnish certificates of insurance, in the name of the Big Rivers Electric Corporation, evidencing insurance coverage of the following types of minimum amounts:
  - a. Workman's compensation and employer's liability insurance covering all employees who perform any of the obligations under the contract or Purchase Order, in the amounts required by law. If any employer or employee is not subject to the workers compensation laws of the governing state, then insurance shall be obtained voluntarily to provide coverage to the same extent as though the employer or employee were subject to such laws.
  - b. Comprehensive general liability insurance covering all operation under the contract or Purchase Order: bodily injury \$1,000,000 each occurrence and aggregate; property damage \$1,000,000 each occurrence and aggregate. A combined single limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage liability is acceptable. The insurance may be in a policy or policies of insurance. A primary policy and an excess policy including the umbrella or catastrophe form is acceptable. Coverage should include contractual liability, broad form property damage liability, owner's and contractor's protective (independent contractor's) liability, products and completed operations hazard, explosion, collapse, and underground property damage hazard.
  - c. Automotive liability insurance on all motor vehicles used in conjunction with the contract or Purchase Order, whether owned, non-owned, or hired; bodily injury \$1,000,000 each person and \$1,000,000 each occurrence; property damage \$1,000,000 each occurrence. A combined single limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage liability is acceptable. The insurance may be in a policy or policies of insurance. A primary policy and an excess policy including the umbrella or catastrophe form is acceptable.

Certificates evidencing the insurance coverage's must be furnished before the commencement of work. If any work to be performed under this contract or Purchase Order is sublet, the contractor will be required to furnish proof of insurance from all subcontractors evidencing equal to or better coverage.

- **Quality of Insurance Coverage:** The above policies to be provided by Contractor shall be written by insurance companies which are both licensed to do business in the state where the Work will be performed and either satisfactory to Company or having a Best Rating of not less than A-. These policies shall not be materially changed or canceled except with thirty (30) days written notice to Company from Contractor and the insurance carrier. Evidence of coverage, notification of cancellation or other changes shall be mailed to: Attn: Supply Chain, Big Rivers Electric Corporation, 710 W. 2nd St, Owensboro, KY 42301.
- **14.4 Implication of Insurance:** Company reserves the right to request and receive a summary of coverage of any of the above policies or endorsements; however, Company shall not be obligated to review any of Contractor's certificates of insurance, insurance policies, or endorsements, or to advise Contractor of any deficiencies in such documents. Any receipt of such documents or their review by Company shall not relieve Contractor from or be deemed a waiver of Company's rights to insist on strict fulfillment of Contractor's obligations under this Agreement.
- **Other Notices:** Contractor shall provide notice of any accidents or claims at the Work site to Company's Manager, Risk Management at Big Rivers Electric Corporation, 710 W. 2nd St., Owensboro, KY 42301 and Company's site authorized representative.

## **ARTICLE 15 WARRANTIES**

Contractor warrants that:

- a. the Work will conform to any applicable Specification / Statement of Work; and any materials supplied in connection therewith shall be new, unused, and free from defect;
- b. the Work will be suitable for the purposes specified by Company and will conform to each statement, representation, and description made by Contractor to Company;
- c. the Work is not and shall not be subject to any encumbrance, lien, security interest, patent, copyright or trademark claims, infringements, or other defects in title; and
- d. any labor or services performed pursuant to this Agreement shall be performed in a competent, diligent, and timely manner in accordance with the highest professionally accepted standards.
  - Contractor shall respond in writing to any warranty claim by Company within five (5) business days of the delivery of notice

#### ARTICLE 16 OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY; PATENTS

- **16.1 Ownership:** All inventions, discoveries, processes, methods, designs, drawings, blueprints, information, software, works of authorship and know-how, or the like, whether or not patentable or copyrightable (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), which Contractor conceives, develops, or begins to develop, either alone or in conjunction with Company or others, in connection with the Work, shall be "work made for hire" and the sole and exclusive property of Company. Upon request, Contractor shall promptly execute all applications, assignments, and other documents that Company shall deem necessary to apply for and obtain letters patent of the United States and/or copyright registration for the Intellectual Property and in order to evidence Company's sole ownership thereof.
- Royalties and License Fees: Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees which may be payable on account of the Work or any part thereof. In case any part of the Work is held in any suit to constitute infringement and its use is enjoined, Contractor within a reasonable time shall, at the election of Company and in addition to Contractor's obligations under Article 12, either (a) secure for Company the perpetual right to continue the use of such part of the Work by procuring for Company a royalty-free license or such other permission as will enable Contractor to secure the suspension of any injunction, or (b) replace at Contractor's own expense such part of the Work with a non-infringing part or modify it so that it becomes non-infringing (in either case with changes in functionality that are acceptable to Company).

# ARTICLE 17 RELEASE OF LIENS

Contractor hereby releases for itself and its successors in interest, and for all subcontractors and their successors in interest, any and all claim or right of mechanics or any other type lien upon Company's or any other party's property, the Work, or any part thereof as a result of performing the Work. Contractor shall execute and deliver to Company such documents as may be required by Applicable Laws to make this release effective and shall give all required notices to subcontractors with respect to ensuring the effectiveness of the foregoing release against those parties. Contractor shall secure the removal of any lien that Contractor has agreed to release in this Article within five (5) working days of receipt of written notice from Company to remove such lien. If not timely removed, Company may remove the lien and charge all costs and expenses to Contractor, including without limitation costs of bonding off such lien.

## ARTICLE 18 ASSIGNMENT OF AGREEMENT; SUBCONTRACTING

Upon prior written notice given to Company, Contractor shall not, by operation of law or otherwise, assign and/or subcontract any part of the Work or this Agreement without Company's prior written approval. Such approval, if given by Company, shall not relieve Contractor from full responsibility for the fulfillment of any and all obligations under this Agreement. Under any and all circumstances, any permitted assignee of Contractor, whether or not such assignee shall be a division, subsidiary and/or affiliate entity of Contractor, shall also be fully bound by the terms of this Agreement and, furthermore, upon request by Company, each of Contractor and its permitted assignee shall provide sufficient financial information, as determined by Company in its sole discretion, necessary to validate such assignee's credit worthiness and ability to perform under this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 19 INVOICES AND EFFECT OF PAYMENTS

- 19.1 Invoices: Within a reasonable period of time following the end of each calendar month or other agreed period, Contractor shall submit an invoice to Company that complies with this Article. Payments shall be made within thirty (30) days of Company's receipt of Contractor's proper invoice, and, in the event that Company's payment is overdue, Contractor shall promptly provide Company with a notice that such payment is overdue. Contractor's invoices shall designate the Company location which is the responsible party. Such invoices shall reference the contract / Purchase Order number and shall also show labor, material, taxes paid (including without limitation sales and use taxes, duties, fees, and other assessments imposed by governmental authorities), freight, and all other charges (including without limitation equipment rental) as separate items. All invoices shall be submitted with supporting documentation and in acceptable form and quality to Company's authorized representative. Should Company dispute any invoice for any reason, payment on such invoice shall be made within thirty (30) days of the dispute resolution. Payment of the invoice shall not release Contractor from any of its obligations hereunder, including but not limited to its warranty and indemnity obligations. Invoices shall not be delivered with goods, unless expressly authorized by the Company, but all correspondence and packages related to this Agreement shall reference the Purchase Order / contract number assigned by Company.
- 19.2 Surcharges: All charges must be pre-approved and referenced within the purchase order or contract. Unapproved charges will not be accepted and will cause the invoice to be rejected and returned. This includes, but is not limited to, surcharges, packing charges, core charges, deposits, and/or any other added costs.
- 19.3 Taxes: Do not bill Kentucky Sales Tax: Taxes: Do not bill Kentucky Sales Tax: Blanket Direct Pay Authorization Permit maintained under 103 KAR 31:030, Permit # 108814, for the various company locations. Company will determine its tax obligation and pay the tax directly to the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Revenue. Example applications of the permit are as follows:
  - a. Contractor: A contractor discussed in this section is defined as an entity that does not maintain a retail or resale certificate and does not have the ability to collect sales or use tax. The permit has no "pass-through" rights to Contractor's suppliers. Any sales or use tax requirements held by the Contractor shall be paid by the Contractor as part of the Contact. A Contractor shall list the work provided on the invoice as a single cost. The permit is non-applicable in this case.

- b. Contractor/Retailer or Retailer: A contractor/retailer or retailer discussed in this section is defined as an entity that maintains a retail or resale certificate or has the ability to collect sales or use tax. Tax obligations due to materials provided to Big Rivers under the contract shall not be included on the invoice. Big Rivers will pay its tax obligation directly to the Commonwealth of Kentucky under KAR 31:030 by Permit #108814. A contractor/retailer shall list amounts for materials and labor/services separately on the invoice.
- **19.4 Billing of Additional Work:** All claims for payments of additions to the Purchase Order / Contract Price shall be shown on separate Contractor's invoices and must refer to the specific change order or written authorization issued by Company as a condition to being considered for payment.
- 19.5 Effect of Payments/Offset: No payments shall be considered as evidence of the performance of or acceptance of the Work, either in whole or in part, and all payments are subject to deduction for loss, damage, costs, or expenses for which Contractor may be liable under any Purchase Order or set-off hereunder. Company, without waiver or limitation of any rights or remedies of Company, shall be entitled from time to time to deduct from any and all amounts owing by Company to Contractor in connection with this Agreement or any other contract with Company any and all amounts owed by Contractor to Company in connection with this Agreement or any other contract with Company.
- **19.6 Evidence of Payment to Subcontractors:** Contractor shall, if requested by Company, furnish Company with a certificate showing names of Contractor's suppliers and subcontractors hereunder, and certifying to Company that said suppliers and subcontractors have been paid in full.

#### **ARTICLE 20 ROUTING OF SHIPMENTS**

Company shall have the option of specifying the routing of shipments. If freight is included in the Contract Price, and such specified routing increases Contractor's shipping costs, Contractor shall immediately so notify Company, and should Company still specify the more expensive routing, then Company shall reimburse Contractor for the increase actually incurred thereby.

#### **ARTICLE 21 TERM AND TERMINATION**

- **21.1 Term:** This Agreement shall commence on the date set forth above and shall survive in full force and effect until terminated as set forth below. A termination under this Article 21 based on certain Work shall only apply to the Statement of Work that covers such Work. Any Statements of Work that do not relate to such Work shall not be affected by such a termination.
- 21.2 Termination for Contractor's Breach: If the Work to be done under this Agreement shall be abandoned by Contractor, if this Agreement or any portion thereof shall be assigned by operation of law or otherwise, if the Work or any portion thereof is sublet by Contractor without the permission of Company, if Contractor is placed in bankruptcy, or if a receiver be appointed for its properties, if Contractor shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, if at any time the necessary progress of Work is not being maintained, or if Contractor is violating any of the conditions or agreements of this Agreement, or has executed this Agreement in bad faith, Company may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have as a result thereof, notify Contractor to discontinue any or all of the Work and terminate this Agreement in whole or part. In the event that Section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code or some successor law gives Contractor as debtor-in-possession the right to either accept or reject this Agreement, then Contractor agrees to file an appropriate motion with the Bankruptcy Court to either accept or reject this Agreement within twenty (20) days of the entry of the Order for Relief in the bankruptcy proceeding. Contractor and Company acknowledge and agree that said twenty (20) day period is reasonable under the circumstances. Contractor and Company also agree that if Company has not received notice that Contractor has filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court to accept or reject this Agreement within said twenty (20) day period, then Company may file a motion with the Bankruptcy Court asking that this Agreement be accepted or rejected, and Contractor shall not oppose such motion.
- **21.3 Effect of Termination for Contractor's Breach:** From the effective date of such termination notice, Contractor shall vacate the site, whereupon Company shall have the right but not the obligation to take possession of the Work wherever located, and Contractor shall cooperate with Company and cause Contractor's subcontractors to cooperate with Company so that Company can effect such possession. In obtaining replacement services, Company shall not be required to request multiple bids or obtain the lowest figures for completing the Work and may make such expenditures as shall best accomplish such completion and are reasonable given the circumstances. The expenses of completing the Work in excess of the unpaid portion of the Contract Price, together with any damages suffered by Company, shall be paid by Contractor, and Company shall have the right to set off such amounts from amounts due to Contractor.
- 21.4 Termination for Company's Convenience: Company may terminate this Agreement or one or more Statements of Work in whole or in part for its own convenience by thirty (30) days written notice at any time. In such event, Company shall pay Contractor all direct labor and material costs incurred on the Work that is subject to such Termination prior to such notice, plus any reasonable unavoidable cancellation costs which Contractor may incur as a result of such termination, plus indirect costs or overhead on the portion of the Work completed, computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles less salvage value. As an alternative to salvage value reduction, Company shall have the right in its sole discretion to take possession of all or part of the Work.

## **ARTICLE 22 PUBLICITY**

Contractor shall not issue news releases, publicize, or issue advertising pertaining to the Work or this Agreement without first obtaining the written approval of Company.

#### ARTICLE 23 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

All information relating to the Work or the business of Company, including, but not limited to, drawings and specifications relating to the Work, and customer information, shall be held in confidence by Contractor and shall not be used by Contractor for any purpose other than for the performance of the Work or as authorized in writing by Company. In the event that the Contractor assigns the work to one or more subcontractors, a signed confidentiality agreement between the Contractor and each subcontractor(s) will be provided to the Company prior to the provision of any information described in the immediately preceding sentence or the performance of any Work by the subcontractor. All drawings, specifications, or documents furnished by Company to Contractor or developed in connection with the Work shall either be destroyed or returned to Company (including any copies thereof) upon request at any time.

#### **ARTICLE 24 MISCELLANEOUS**

Date

- **24.1 Waiver:** No waiver by Company of any provision herein or of a breach of any provision shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of any other provision.
- **Headings:** The headings of Articles, Sections, paragraphs, and other parts of this Agreement are for convenience only and do not define, limit, or construe the contents thereof.
- **Severability:** If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid under law, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or provisions hereof which are otherwise valid.
- **State Law Governing Agreement:** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.
- **24.5 Enforcement of Rights:** Company shall have the right to recover from Contractor all expenses, including but not limited to fees for and expenses of inside or outside counsel hired by Company, arising out of Contractor's breach of this Agreement or any other action by Company to enforce or defend Company's rights hereunder.
- **No Third Party Beneficiaries:** Except for Contractor and Company, there are no intended third party beneficiaries of this Agreement and none may rely on this Agreement in making a claim against Company.
- Notices: All notices and communications respecting this Agreement shall be in writing, shall be identified by the contract number, and shall be addressed as follows (which address either party may change upon five (5) days prior notice to the other party).

	To Company:	To Contractor:
	Big Rivers Electric Corp.	
	Attn: Supply Chain	
	710 W. 2nd Street	
	Owensboro, KY 42301	
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