



Bid Number 50-00143667

**Two (2) Year Contract for Maintenance, Inspection and Repair of
Chemical Scales for the Jefferson Parish Water Department**

BID DUE: October 31, 2023 AT 2:00 P.M.

ATTENTION VENDORS!!!

Please review all pages and respond accordingly, complying with all provisions in the technical specifications and Jefferson Parish Instructions for Bidders and General Terms and Conditions. All bids must be received on the Purchasing Department's eProcurement site, www.jeffparishbids.net, by the bid due date and time. Late bids will not be accepted.

**Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department
200 Derbigny Street
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Gretna, LA 70053
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Buyer Phone: 504-364-2690**

Bid Specifications for Bid No. 50-00143667

CHEMICAL SCALES MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION AND REPAIR
SPECIFICATIONS

Two (2) year contract for maintenance, inspection, and repair of chemical scales for Jefferson Parish Department of Public Works-Water.

*****SITE VISIT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED*****

EB Water Plant-3600 Jefferson Hwy.
Mervin Graves 504-838-4398

WB Water Plant-4500 Westbank Expressway
David Mahner 504-349-5085

Chemical scales quarterly maintenance contract inspection for Eastbank and Westbank Plants located at:

Eastbank Water Plant
3600 Jefferson Highway, Bldg. D
Jefferson, LA 70121

Westbank Water Plant
4500 Westbank Expressway
Marrero, LA 70072

This agreement provides a periodic check on the operation efficiency of weighing equipment, with recommendations as to any further service requirements.

Scale inspections will be billed on a flat rate basis per inspection. No additional mileage charges allowed.

Vendor shall be on site within one hour of call out at East and/or West Bank Water Plants due to possible emergencies.

Chlorine & Ammonia Scales

Eastbank Water Plant (9 total)

Chlorine (rear)

Weigh Tronix deck scales, model ZM303-D1
Scale indicator - serial number: 180650991

Rice Lake deck scale, model 420 Plus-2A
Scale indicator - serial number: 1670500039

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Ammonia (rear):

Weigh Tronix tank scale, model ZM303
Scale indicator - serial number: 174960315

Rice Lake tank scale, model 480-Legend Series
Scale indicator - serial number: 0003801

Chlorine (front):

Force Flow scale, model DR120
Scale indicator - serial number: FF18681

Force Flow scale, model DR120
Scale indicator - serial number: FF18680

B-TEK scale, model 25K-FCHD
Scale indicator – serial number: 3437138

Ammonia (front):

Weigh Tronix tank scale, model WI - 110
Scale indicator - serial number: 171650285

Weigh Tronix tank scale, model IND560
Scale indicator - serial number: B428795753

Westbank Water Plant (14 total)

Chlorine:

12 each model number DR 40 Force Flow scales with 3 each Weighting Terminal IND780 scale indicators. Each Wizard 4000 scale indicator handles 4 each of the DR 40 Flow Force scales.

Ammonia:

2 each model number 0958 Mettler Toledo scales with 2 each model number WI-150 Weigh-Tronix scale indicators. Serial numbers for the Weigh-Tronix WI-150 (s) are 1068134-1UY and 1068133-1UY.

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Daytank Scales (Troubleshoot and Repairs)

The daytank scales are listed only for repair service on an as needed basis. The repair material will be billed under Parts or Materials as a third party invoice (with no markups).

Eastbank Water Plant (16 total)

- 9 each -- Avery Weigh Tronix model # DSFS3030A-01 (1,000 lb. scales)
- 1 each -- Avery Weigh Tronix model # DC0S3636-02 (2,000 lb. scale)
- 5 each -- Titan scale, unknown model (500 lb. scales)
- 1 each -- Titan scale, unknown model (1,00 lb. scales)

Westbank Water Plant (4 total)

- 2 each -- Weigh Tronix model # DSFS3030A-01 (1,000 lb. scale)
- 2 each -- Weigh Tronix model # DSLS3636-02 (2,000 lb. scale)

Unforeseen work

Hourly rate per man hour for unforeseen work.

No extra mileage to be charged (must be included in hourly price).

Repair parts or materials that are needed on the job and are not available in Parish stocks at the time of services and are not included in the items to be quoted under the proposal, may be furnished by the Parish and/or by the contractor at his actual face value cost.

The actual face value cost shall cover the manufacturers cost (or suppliers cost) plus shipment cost subject to Parish's approval as a prerequisite. Related invoices shall be submitted to Parish prior to payment. This contract is a labor-intensive contract, therefore, contractors should consider all matters of labor and overhead and build his necessary profit into his prices for repairs.

Supplementary Inspections

Hourly rate per man hour for supplementary service inspections between quarterly inspections.

INVITATION TO BID
THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

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JEFFERSON PARISH

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 9
GRETNA, LA. 70054-0009
504-364-2678

PURCHASING SPECIALIST:
DABRAHAM@jeffparish.net

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED ONLINE VIA WWW.JEFFPARISHBIDS.NET UNTIL 2:00 PM, 10/31/2023 AND PUBLICLY OPENED THEREAFTER IN THE WEST BANK PURCHASING DEPT, SUITE 4400, JEFFERSON PARISH GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING, 200 DERBIGNY STREET, GRETNA, LA 70053. At no charge, bidders are to submit via Jefferson Parish's electronic procurement page by visiting www.jeffparishbids.net to register for this free site. Additional instructions are included in the text box highlighting electronic procurement.

LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

NOTE: ONLY BIDS WRITTEN IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN, AND PROPERLY SIGNED BY A MEMBER OF THE FIRM OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, WILL BE ACCEPTED. PENCIL AND/OR PHOTOSTATIC FIGURES OR SIGNATURES SHALL RESULT IN BID REJECTION. HOWEVER, ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AS DEFINED IN LSA - R.S. 9:2620(8) ARE ACCEPTABLE. SIGNATURE MUST BE A SECURED DIGITAL SIGNATURE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY TO ALL BIDS

All bids submitted are subject to these instructions and general conditions and any special conditions and specifications contained herein, all of which are made part of this bid proposal reference. By submitting a bid, vendor agrees to comply with all provisions of Louisiana Law as well be in compliance with the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Louisiana Code of Ethics, applicable Jefferson Parish ethical standards and Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 136353 and/or Resolution No. 141125 as amended.

Jefferson Parish adheres to the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, R.S. 42:1101, et seq. Vendor/Proposer by this submission, warrants that there are no "conflicts of interest" related to this procurement that would violate applicable Louisiana Law. Violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics may result in rescission of contract, permit or licenses, and the imposition of fines and/or penalties, without contractual liability to the public in accordance with applicable law.

All vendors submitting bids should register as a Jefferson Parish vendor if not already yet registered. Registration forms may be downloaded from <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> and by clicking on Vendor Information. Current W-9 forms with respective Tax Identification numbers and vendor applications may be submitted at any time; however, if your company is not registered and/or a current W-9 form is not on file, vendor registration is mandatory. Vendors may experience a delay in payment if your company is not a registered vendor with Jefferson Parish.

All quotations shall be based on F.O.B. Agency warehouse or job site, anywhere within the Parish as designated by the Purchasing Department. This provision does not apply to public works projects

JEFFERSON PARISH requires all products to be new (current) and all work must be performed according to standard practices for the project. Unless otherwise specified, no aftermarket parts will be accepted. Unless otherwise specified, all workmanship and materials must have at least one (1) year guaranty, in writing, from the date of delivery and/or acceptance of the project. Any deviations or alterations from the specifications must be indicated and/or supporting documentation supplied with bid submission.

Bidders should submit all questions in writing via email to the Purchasing Specialist's email address as indicated above, no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening. Bid numbers should be mentioned in all requests. If submitting online, vendors may send questions via the E-Procurement site no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening.

If this bid requires a pre-bid conference (see Additional Requirements section), bidders are advised that such conference will be held to allow bidders the opportunity to identify any discrepancies in the bid specifications and seek further clarification regarding instructions. The Purchasing Department will issue a written response to bidders' questions in the form of an Addendum. Please note that all official communication will be expressed in the form of an addendum.

Visit our website at [HTTP://PURCHASING.JEFFPARISH.NET](http://PURCHASING.JEFFPARISH.NET)

All formal Addenda require written acknowledgement on the bid form by the bidder. Failure to acknowledge any Addendum on the bid form shall cause the bid to be rejected. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award bid to next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

JEFFERSON PARISH will accept one price for each item unless otherwise indicated. Two or more prices for one item will result in bid rejection. Bidders are required to complete, sign and return the bid form and/or complete and return the associated line item pricing forms as indicated. Vendors must not alter the bid forms. Doing so will cause the bid to be rejected.

A corporate resolution or written evidence of the individual signing the bid having such authority must be submitted with the bid. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. For corporate entities, such written evidence may be a printout of the Louisiana Secretary of State's website listing the signatory as an officer. Such printout shall be included with the bid submission. Bids submitted by Owners or Sole Proprietorships must include certification that he or she owns the entity for which the bid is signed. This documentation must be submitted with the bid. Failure to do so will result in bid rejection.

NOTE: A sample corporate resolution can be downloaded from our website <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> or you may provide your own document. A sample certification of sole proprietorship can also be downloaded from our website <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> or you may provide your own document.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

A. AWARD OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award contracts or place orders on a lump sum or individual item basis, or such combination, as shall in its judgment be in the best interest of JEFFERSON PARISH. Every contract or order shall be awarded to the LOWEST RESPONSIVE and RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, taking into consideration the CONFORMITY WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS and the DELIVERY AND/OR COMPLETION DATE. SPLIT AWARDS MADE TO SEVERAL VENDORS WILL ONLY BE GRANTED TO THOSE DEEMED RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE.

All bid prices shall remain valid for 45 days. Jefferson Parish and the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) by mutual written consent may mutually agree to extend the deadline for award by one (1) or more extensions of thirty (30) calendar days.

PROTESTS: Only those vendors that submit bids in response to this solicitation may protest any element of the procurement, in writing to the Director of the Purchasing Department. Written protest must be received within 48 hours of the release of the bid tabulation by the Purchasing Department. After consultation, the Parish Attorney's Office will then respond to protests in writing. (For more information, please see Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 2, Sec. 2-914.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances.)

PREFERENCE: Unless federal funding is directly spent by Jefferson Parish for this purchase, preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, and provisions produced, manufactured or grown in Louisiana, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside the state. "LSA – R.S. 38:2251-2261"

B. USE OF BRAND NAMES AND STOCK NUMBERS: Where brand names and stock numbers are specified, it is for the purpose of establishing certain minimum standards of quality. Bids may be submitted for products of equal quality, provided brand names and stock numbers are specified. Complete product data may be required prior to award.

C. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel all or any part if not shipped promptly. No charges will be allowed for parking or cartage unless specified in quotation. The order must not be filled at a higher price than quoted. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel any contract at anytime and for any reason by issuing a THIRTY (30) day written notice to the contractor.

For good cause and as consideration for executing a contract with Jefferson Parish, vendor conveys, sells, assigns and transfers to Jefferson Parish or its assigns all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, relating to the particular good or services purchased or acquired by Jefferson Parish.

D. PRICES: Jefferson Parish is exempt from paying sales tax under LSA-R.S. 47:301 (8)(c). All prices for purchases by Jefferson Parish of supplies and materials shall be quoted in the unit of measure specified and unless otherwise specified, shall be exclusive of state and local taxes. The price quoted for work shall be stated in figures. In the event there is a difference in unit prices and totals, the unit price shall prevail.

Quantities listed are for bidding purposes only. Actual requirements may be more or less than quantities listed.

Bidders are not to exclude from participation in, deny the benefits of, or subject to discrimination under any program or activity, any person in the United States on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex; nor discriminate on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or on the basis of religion, except that any exemption from such prohibition against discrimination on the basis of religion as provided in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, or Title VI and VII of the Act of April 11, 1968, shall also apply. This assurance includes compliance with the administrative requirements of the Revenue Sharing final handicapped discrimination provisions contained in Section 51.55 (c), (d), (e), and (k)(5) of the Regulations. New construction or renovation projects must comply with Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, as amended, in accordance with the American National Standard Institute's specifications (ANSI A17.1-1961).

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Jefferson Parish and its partners as the recipients of federal funds are fully committed to awarding a contract(s) to firm(s) that will provide high quality services and that are dedicated to diversity and to containing costs. Thus, Jefferson Parish strongly encourages the involvement of minority and/or woman-owned business enterprises (DBE's, including MBE's, WBE's and SBE's) to stimulate participation in procurement and assistance programs.

The purpose and intention of this invitation to bid is to afford all suppliers an equal opportunity to bid on all construction, maintenance, repair, operating supplies and/or equipment listed in this bid proposal. JEFFERSON PARISH WILL ACCEPT ONE BID ONLY FROM EACH VENDOR. Items bid must meet specifications.

Advertised bids will be tabulated and a copy of the tabulation will be forwarded to each responding bidder.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE REGULATIONS JEFFERSON PARISH OFFERS ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT TO ALL VENDORS

This electronic procurement system allows vendors the convenience of reviewing and submitting bids online. This is a secure site and authorized personnel have limited read access only. Bidders are to submit electronically using this free service; while the website accepts various file types, one single PDF file containing all appropriate and required bid documents is preferred. Bidders submitting uploaded images of bid responses are solely responsible for clarity. If uploaded images/documents are not legible, then bidder's submission will be rejected. Please note all requirements contained in this bid package for electronic bid submission.

Please visit our E-Procurement Page at www.jeffparishbids.net to register and view Jefferson Parish solicitations. For more information, please visit the Purchasing Department page at <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net>.

The general specifications for construction projects and the purchase of materials, services and/or supplies are those adopted by the JEFFERSON PARISH Council by Resolution No. 136353 or 141125 as amended. The general conditions adopted by this resolution shall be considered as much a part of this document as if they were written wholly herein. A copy may be obtained from the Office of the Parish Clerk, Suite 6700, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053. You may also obtain a copy by visiting the Purchasing Department webpage at <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> and clicking on Online Forms.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS BID

PLEASE MATCH THE NUMBERS PRINTED IN THIS BOX WITH THE CORRESPONDING INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 15

1. All bidders must attend the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and will be required to sign in and out as evidence of attendance. In accordance with LSA R.S. 38:2212(l), all prospective bidders shall be present at the beginning of the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and shall remain in attendance for the duration of the conference. Any prospective bidder who fails to attend the conference or remain for the duration shall be prohibited from submitting a bid for the project.
2. Attendance to this pre-bid conference is optional. However, failure to attend the pre-bid conference shall not relieve the bidder of responsibility for information discussed at the conference. Furthermore, failure to attend the pre-bid conference and inspection does not relieve the successful bidder from the necessity of furnishing materials or performing any work that may be required to complete the work in accordance with the specification with no additional cost to the owner.
3. Contractor must hold current applicable JEFFERSON PARISH licenses with the Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. Contractor shall obtain any and all permits required by the JEFFERSON PARISH Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. The contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits. All permits must be obtained prior to the start of the project. Contractor must also hold any and all applicable Federal and State licenses. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits and shall obtain them prior to the start of the project.

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4. A LA State Contractor's License will be required in accordance with LSA R.S. 37-2150 et. seq. and such license number will be shown on the outside of the bid electronic envelope. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected. When submitting the bid electronically, the license number must be entered in the appropriate field in the electronic procurement system. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected.
5. It is the bidder's responsibility to visit the job site and evaluate the job before submitting a bid.
6. Job site must be clean and free of all litter and debris daily and upon completion of the contract. Passageways must be kept clean and free of material, equipment, and debris at all times. Flammable material must be removed from the job site daily because storage will not be permitted on the premises. Precaution must be exercised at all times to safeguard the welfare of JEFFERSON PARISH and the general public.
7. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: All awards for public works in excess of \$5,000.00 will be reduced to a formal contract which shall be recorded at the contractor's expense with the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. A price list of recordation costs may be obtained from the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. All awards in excess of \$25,000.00 will require both a performance and a payment bond. Unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications, the performance bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Unless otherwise state in the bid specifications, the payment bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Both bonds shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
8. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A performance bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The performance bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
9. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A payment bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The payment bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
10. All bidders must comply with the requirements stated in the attached "Standard Insurance Requirements" sheet attached to this bid solicitation. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in bid rejection.
11. A bid bond will be required with bid submission in the amount of 5% of the total bid, unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications. All sureties must be in original format (no copies) When submitting a bid online, vendors must submit an electronic bid bond through the respective online clearinghouse bond management system(s) as indicated in the electronic bid solicitation on Central Auction House. No scanned paper copies of any bid bond will be accepted as part of the electronic bid submission.
12. This is a requirements contract to be provided on an as needed basis. JEFFERSON PARISH makes no representations on warranties with regard to minimum guaranteed quantities unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications.
13. Freight charges should be included in total cost when quoting. If not quoted FOB DELIVERED, freight must be quoted as a separate item. Bid may be rejected if not quoted FOB DELIVERED or if freight charges are not indicated on bid form.
14. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS - Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required; This applies to all solicitations for construction, alteration or demolition of public buildings or projects, in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA-RS 38:2212.9, LSA-RS 38:2212.10, LSA-RS 38:2224, and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Conviction Affidavit, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Campaign Contribution Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and E-Verify Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

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15. NON PUBLIC WORK BIDS - Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA – RS 38:2224 and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Collusion Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and Campaign Contribution Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled NON PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

16. The ensuing contract for this bid solicitation may be eligible for FEMA reimbursement and/or Federal funding/reimbursement. As such, the referenced appendix will be applicable accordingly and shall be considered a part of the bid documents. All applicable certifications must be duly completed, signed and submitted as per the appendix instructions. Failure to submit applicable certifications per the appendix instructions will result in bid rejection.

17. For this project, the Contractor shall not pay any state or local sales or use taxes on materials and equipment which are affixed and made part of the immovable property of the project or which is permanently incorporated in the project (hereinafter referred to as "applicable materials and equipment."). All purchases of applicable materials or equipment shall be made by the contractor on behalf of and as the agent of Jefferson Parish (Owner), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. No state and local sales and use taxes are owed on applicable materials and equipment under the provisions of Act 1029 of the 1991 Regular Session - Louisiana Revised Statute 47:301(8)(c). Owner will furnish to contractor a certificate form which certifies that Owner is not required to pay such state or local sales and use taxes, and contractor shall furnish a copy of such certificate to all vendors or suppliers of the applicable materials and equipment, and report to Owner the amount of taxes not incurred.

It shall be the duty of every parish officer, employee, department, agency, special district, board, and commission: and the duty of every contractor, subcontractor, and licensee of the parish, and the duty of every applicant for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, performance review, or hearing pursuant to JPCO 2-155.10(19). By signing this document, every corporation, partnership, or person contracting with PARISH, whether by cooperative endeavor, intergovernmental agreement, bid, proposal, application or solicitation for a parish contract, and every application for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, attests that it understands and will abide by all provisions of JPCO 2-155.10.

All Public Work Projects are required to use the Louisiana Uniform Public Work Bid Form

All prices must be held firm unless an escalation provision is requested in this bid. Jefferson Parish will allow one escalation during the term of the contract, which may not exceed the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics National Index for all Urban Consumers, unadjusted 12 month figure. The most recently published figure issued at the time an adjustment is requested will be used. A request must be made in writing by the vendor, and the escalation will only be applied to purchases made after the request is made.

Are you requesting an escalation provision?

YES _____ NO X

MAXIMUM ESCALATION PERCENTAGE REQUESTED N/A %

INITIAL BID PRICES WILL REMAIN FIRM THROUGH THE DATE OF 12/31/2023

For the purposes of comparison of bids when an escalation provision is requested, Jefferson Parish will apply the maximum escalation percentage quoted by the bidder to the period to which it is applied in the bid. The initial price and the escalation will be used to calculate the total bid price. It will be assumed, for comparison of prices only, that an equal amount of material or labor is purchased each month throughout the entire contract.

DELIVERY: FOB JEFFERSON PARISH

INDICATE DELIVERY DATE ON EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Scheduled Service

LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NO.: (if applicable)

31548

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:

FIRM NAME: G.T. Michelli Company Inc.

ADDRESS: 130 Brookhollow Esplanade

CITY, STATE: Harahan ZIP: 70123

TELEPHONE: (504) 733-9822 FAX: ()

EMAIL ADDRESS: kkornfuhrer@michelli.com

In the event that addenda are issued with this bid, bidders MUST acknowledge all addenda on the bid form. Bidder must acknowledge receipt of an addendum on the bid form by placing the addendum number as indicated. Failure to acknowledge any addendum on the bid form will result in bid rejection.

Acknowledge Receipt of Addenda: NUMBER: _____

NUMBER: _____

NUMBER: _____

NUMBER: _____

TOTAL PRICE OF ALL BID ITEMS: \$ 46,820.00

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: 

Kevin Kornfuhrer

Printed Name

TITLE: Account Manager

SIGNING INDICATES YOU HAVE READ AND COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS.

NOTE: All bids should be returned with the BID NUMBER and BID OPENING DATE indicated on the outside of the envelope submitted to the Purchasing Department.

INVITATION TO BID FROM JEFFERSON PARISH - continued

BID NO.: 50-00143667

SEALED BID

ITEM NUMBER	QUANTITY	U/M	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT PRICE QUOTED	TOTALS
1	8.00	QTR	<p>Two (2) Year Contract for Maintenance, Inspection and Repair of Chemical Scales for the Jefferson Parish Water Department</p> <p>0001 CHEMICAL SCALES QUARTERLY PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT</p> <p>INSPECTION FOR THE EAST BANK WATER PLANT, 3600 JEFFERSON HIGHWAY, BLDG D, JEFFERSON, LA 70121</p> <p>WATER DEPT.- EB/WB WATER PLANTS- MERVIN/DAVID</p> <p>ONLY THE SCALES THAT ARE LISTED ON SPECIFICATIONS ARE INLCUDED IN THIS BID. ANY OTHERS ON THE PREMISES ARE NOT INCLUDED WITH THIS BID.</p> <p>***SITE VISIT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED***</p> <p>EB WATER PLANT-3600 JEFFERSON HWY. MERVIN GRAVES 504-838-4398</p> <p>WB WATER PLANT-4500 WESTBANK EXPRESSWAY DAVID MAHNER 504-349-5085</p> <p>SEE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS ***</p>	<p>\$ 795.00</p>	<p>\$ 6,360.00</p>
2	8.00	QTR	<p>0002 CHEMICAL SCALES QUARTERLY PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT</p> <p>INSPECTION FOR THE CHEMICAL SCALES FOR THE WEST BANK WATER PLANT, 4500 WESTBANK EXPRESSWAY, MARRERO, LA 70072</p>	<p>\$ 820.00</p>	<p>\$ 6,560.00</p>
3	100.00	HR	<p>0003 DAYTANK SCALES-HOURLY RATE-TROUBLE-SHOOT AND REPAIR ONLY (ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS)</p>	<p>\$ 113.00</p>	<p>\$ 11,300.00</p>
4	100.00	HR	<p>0004 UNFORSEEN WORK HOURLY RATE PER MAN HOUR FOR UNFORESEEN WORK</p>	<p>\$ 113.00</p>	<p>\$ 11,300.00</p>
5	100.00	HR	<p>0005 SUPPLEMENTARY INSPECTIONS HOURLY RATE PER MAN HOUR FOR SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICE INSPECTIONS BETWEEN QUARTERLY INSPECTIONS.</p>	<p>\$ 113.00</p>	<p>\$ 11,300.00</p>
6	1.00	ONLY	<p>9999 PURCHASE OF PARTS OR MATERIALS FOR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE OF CHEMICAL</p>	<p>\$ _XXXX_</p>	<p>\$ _XXXX_</p>

INVITATION TO BID FROM JEFFERSON PARISH - continued

BID NO.: 50-00143667

SEALED BID

ITEM NUMBER	QUANTITY	U/M	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT PRICE QUOTED	TOTALS
			<p>SCALES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT, WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF BID ITEMS.</p> <p>THIS IS A NON-BIDDABLE ITEM. THIS ITEM IS FOR PARTS NEEDED TO COMPLETE A REPAIR UP TO \$5,000.00 PER JOB WITH THE APPROVAL FROM THE REQUESTING DEPARTMENT.</p> <p>INVOICES SHALL BE SUBMITTED AT COST ONLY (WITH NO MARKUP)</p>		

CORPORATE RESOLUTION

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
G.T. Mitchell, Co Inc
INCORPORATED.

AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF G.T. Mitchell, Co Inc
INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON 8/25/23,
A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT
WAS:

RESOLVED THAT Kevin Kornfuhrer, BE AND IS HEREBY
APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGNATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-
FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON
BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS
AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF JEFFERSON OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES,
DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE
EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS, BONDS, SURETIES,
CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES
ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS
CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTING
EACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-
FACT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE
A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN
EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE
DATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF SAID CORPORATION, AND
THE SAME HAS NOT BEEN REVOKED OR
RESCINDED.

Asa R. Murrell
SECRETARY-TREASURER

8/29/23
DATE

Non-Public Works Bid Affidavit Instructions

- **Affidavit is supplied as a courtesy to Affiants, but it is the responsibility of the affiant to insure the affidavit they submit to Jefferson Parish complies, in both form and content, with federal, state and parish laws.**
- **Affidavit must be signed by an authorized representative of the entity or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affidavit must be notarized or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Notary must sign name, print name, and include bar/notary number, or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affiant MUST select either A or B when required or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affiants who select choice A must include an attachment or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **If both choice A and B are selected, the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affidavit marked N/A will not be accepted.**
- **It is the responsibility of the Affiant to submit a new affidavit if any additional campaign contributions are made after the affidavit is executed but prior to the time the council acts on the matter.**

Instruction sheet may be omitted when submitting the affidavit

Non-Public Works Bid

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF Louisiana

PARISH/COUNTY OF Jefferson

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared: Kevin Kornfuhrer
_____, (Affiant) who after being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that
he/she is the fully authorized Representative of G.T. Michelli Co., Inc (Entity),
the party who submitted a bid in response to Bid Number 50-00143667, to the Parish of
Jefferson.

Affiant further said:

Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all campaign contributions, including the date and amount of each contribution, made to current or former elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson by Entity, Affiant, and/or officers, directors and owners, including employees, owning 25% or more of the Entity during the two-year period immediately preceding the date of this affidavit or the current term of the elected official, whichever is greater. Further, Entity, Affiant, and/or Entity Owners have not made any contributions to or in support of current or former members of the Jefferson Parish Council or the Jefferson Parish President through or in the name of another person or legal entity, either directly or indirectly.

Choice B X there are **NO** campaign contributions made which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Debt Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant.

Choice B X There are **NO** debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

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That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

Kevin Kornfuhrer
Signature of Affiant

Kevin Kornfuhrer
Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE 30th DAY OF October, 2023.

Marc Lorelli
Notary Public

Marc Lorelli
Printed Name of Notary

126048
Notary/Bar Roll Number



My commission expires at least.

Marc Lorelli
Louisiana Notary ID# 126048
Parish of Jefferson with
Statewide Authority
My Commission Is for Life

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDDING PURPOSES

All required insurance under this bid shall conform to Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 113646 or No. 113647, as applicable. Contractors may not commence any work under any ensuing contract unless and until all required insurance and associated evidentiary requirements thereto have been met, along with any additional specifications contained in the **Invitation to Bid**. Except as where otherwise precluded by law, the Parish Attorney or his designee, with the concurrence of the Director of Risk Management or his designee, may agree on a case-by-case basis, to deviate from Jefferson Parish's standard insurance requirements, as provided in this Section. Vendors requesting deviation therefrom shall submit such requests in writing, along with compelling substantiation, to the Purchasing Department prior to the bid's due date. Any changes to the insurance requirements will be reflected in the bid specifications and addenda. Prior to contract execution and at all times thereafter during the term of such contract, contractors must provide and continuously maintain all coverages as required by the foregoing Resolutions, and the contract documents. Failure to do so shall be grounds for suspension, discontinuation or termination of the contract.

For bidding purposes, bidders must submit with bid submission a current (valid) insurance certificate evidencing the required coverages. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. The current insurance certificate will be used for proof of insurance at time of evaluation. Thereafter, and prior to contract execution, the low bidder will be required to provide final insurance certificates to the Parish which shall name **the Jefferson Parish, its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council** as additional insureds regarding negligence by the contractor for the Commercial General Liability and the Comprehensive Automobile Liability policies. Additionally, said certificates should reflect the name of the Parish Department receiving goods and services and reference the respective Jefferson Parish bid number.

JEFFERSON PARISH REQUIRED STANDARD INSURANCE

WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

As required by Louisiana State Statute, exception; Employer's Liability, Section B shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence when Work is to be over water and involves maritime exposures to cover all employees not covered under the State Worker's Compensation Act, otherwise this limit shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

Note: If your company is not required by law to carry workmen's compensation insurance, i.e. not a Louisiana company, sole employee of the company, then bidders must request a workmen's compensation insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being

rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

Shall provide limits not less than the following: \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

Bodily injury liability \$1,000,000.00 each person; \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Note: This category may be omitted if bidders do not/will not utilize company vehicles for the project or do not possess company vehicles. Bidder must request an automobile insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

DEDUCTIBLES - The Parish Attorney with concurrence of the Director of Risk Management have waived the deductible section of the Terms and Conditions for all Invitations to Bid, until further notice.

UMBRELLA LIABILITY COVERAGE

An umbrella policy or excess may be used to meet minimum requirements.

FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS:

The following are required if selected below. Such insurance is due upon contract execution.

OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY

To be for the same limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage liability established for commercial general liability.

BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE

The contractor shall maintain Builder's Risk Insurance at his own expense to insure both the owner (Parish of Jefferson) and contractor as their interest may appear.



ADDITIONAL REMARKS SCHEDULE

AGENCY Eustis Insurance & Benefits,		NAMED INSURED G. T. Michelli Company, Inc. 130 Brookhollow Harahan LA 70123	
POLICY NUMBER		EFFECTIVE DATE:	
CARRIER	NAIC CODE		

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

**THIS ADDITIONAL REMARKS FORM IS A SCHEDULE TO ACORD FORM,
FORM NUMBER: 25 FORM TITLE: CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Additional Insured form #GIC0029 edition 04/98 applies to the Automobile Liability policy.
Waiver of subrogation form #CA0444 edition 10/13 applies to the Automobile Liability policy.
Primary & Non Contributory Automobile Liability form CA0449 edition 11/16.

Waiver of subrogation form #WC000313 edition 04/84 applies to the Workers Compensation policy.

Additional Insured form #GIC030447 edition 12/20 applies to the Excess Liability policy.
Waiver of subrogation form #GIC030448 edition 12/20 applies to the Excess Liability policy.
Primary & Non-Contributory Excess Liability form #CG2001GIC030432 edition 08/16.

The General Liability policy includes a blanket additional insured endorsement to the certificate holder only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such status.

The General Liability policy contains an endorsement with "Primary and NonContributory" wording that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The General Liability policy contains a blanket waiver of subrogation endorsement that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The Automobile Liability policy contains language that provides additional insured status to the certificate holder only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such status.

The Automobile liability policy includes waiver of subrogation wording that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The Automobile Liability policy contains an endorsement with "Primary and NonContributory" wording that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The Worker's Compensation policy includes a waiver of subrogation endorsement that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The Gray Excess Liability policy includes a blanket additional insured endorsement to the certificate holder only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such status.

The Gray Excess Liability policy contains an endorsement with "Primary and NonContributory" wording that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

The Gray Excess Liability policy contains a blanket waiver of subrogation endorsement that may apply only when there is a written contract between the named insured and the certificate holder that requires such wording.

Notice of Cancellation form #GIC00018 edition 06/12 applies to the General Liability, Auto Liability, & Workers Compensation policies.

The Gray Insurance A.M. Best's Rating is: A-VIII
The Travelers Property & Casualty Company of America A.M. Best's Rating is: A++XV

Coverage is afforded to all jobs/locations in the USA, Puerto Rico & Canada.

This certificate of insurance neither affirmatively nor negatively alters, amends, or extends the coverage afforded by Policy Number EX2T15369A issued by Travelers Property & Casualty Company of America. & Policy Numbers XSAL-100084; XSGL100077; GXS100142; XSWC-100075 issued by The Gray Insurance Company.

THE GRAY INSURANCE COMPANY

The below coverages apply if the corresponding policy number is indicated on the previous page.

A. Commercial General Liability

General Liability Policy Includes:

Blanket Waiver of Subrogation when required by written contract.

Blanket Additional Insured when required by written contract.

Primary Insurance Wording Included when required by written contract.

Broad Form Property Damage Liability including Explosion, Collapse and Underground (XCU).

Premises/Operations

Products/Completed Operations

Contractual Liability

Sudden and Accidental Pollution Liability

Occurrence Form

Personal Injury

"In Rem" Endorsement

Cross Liability

Severability of Interests Provision

"Action Over" Claims

Independent Contractors coverage for work sublet

Vessel Liability - Watercraft exclusion has been modified by the vessels endorsement on scheduled equipment.

General Aggregate applies per project or equivalent.

B. Automobile Liability Policy Includes:

Blanket Waiver of Subrogation when required by written contract.

Blanket Additional Insured when required by written contract.

C. Workers Compensation Policy Includes:

Blanket Waiver of Subrogation when required by written contract.

U.S. Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Compensation Act Coverage

Outer Continental Shelf Land Act

Jones Act (including Transportation, Wages, Maintenance, and Cure),

Death on the High Seas Act & General Maritime Law.

Maritime Employers Liability Limit: \$1,000,000

Voluntary Compensation Endorsement

Other States Insurance

Alternate Employer/Borrowed Servant Endorsement

"In Rem" Endorsement

Gulf of Mexico Territorial Extension

D. Excess Liability Policy Includes:

Coverage is excess of the Auto Liability, General Liability, Employers Liability, & Maritime Employers Liability policies

Blanket Waiver of Subrogation when required by written contract.

Blanket Additional Insured when required by written contract.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED - BLANKET

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. Section II – Who is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured:

Any person or organization whom you are required to add as an additional insured on this policy under a written contract or written agreement, subject to the following provisions.

- a. Such person or organization is an additional insured only to the extent such coverage is required by written contract or written agreement and only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
 - (1) Your acts or omissions; or
 - (2) The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf, in the performance of your ongoing operations or "your work" as included in the "products-completed operations hazard", which is the subject of the written contract or written agreement;
 - b. Such person or organization is an additional insured only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" to:
 - (1) Your "employee", or
 - (2) An employee of a subcontractor acting on your behalf, but only to the extent:
 - (a) Coverage for "bodily injury" to your "employee" or an employee of subcontractors acting on your behalf, regardless of whose fault caused such injury, is required by written contract or written agreement' and
 - (b) Such "bodily injury" arises in the performance of your ongoing operations or "your work" as included in the "products-completed operations hazard", which is the subject of the written contract or written agreement; and
 - c. Such person or organization is an additional insured for their sole acts or omissions and only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" if:
 - (1) Coverage for sole acts or omissions of such additional insured is required by written contract or written agreement; and
 - (2) Such "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" results from:
 - (a) Your ongoing operations; or
 - (b) "Your work" completed as included in the "products-completed operations hazard", performed for the additional insured.
- However, the insurance afforded to such additional insured.
- (i) Only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
 - (ii) Will not be broader than that which you are required by the written contract or written agreement to provide for such additional insured.

- B. Solely with respect to the insurance afforded to the additional insureds indicated in Paragraph A. of this endorsement, the following additional exclusion applies:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury", or "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render any professional architectural, engineering or surveying services including:

1. The preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
2. Supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage", or the offense which caused the "personal and advertising injury", involved the rendering of or the failure to render any professional architectural, engineering, or surveying services.

- C. Solely with respect to this endorsement, the following is added to the **Duties in The Event Of Occurrence, Offense, Claim Or Suit** Condition of Section IV – **Commercial General Liability Conditions**:

The additional insured must see to it that:

- (1) We are notified as soon as practicable of an "occurrence" or offense that may result in a claim;
- (2) We receive written notice of a claim or "suit" as soon as practicable; and
- (3) A request for defense and indemnity of the claim or "suit" will promptly be brought against any policy issued by another insurer under which the additional insured may be an insured in any capacity. This provision does not apply to insurance on which the additional insured is a Named Insured if the written contract or written agreement requires that this coverage be primary and non-contributory.

- D. Solely with respect to this endorsement:

1. The following is added to the **Other Insurance** Condition of Section IV – **Commercial General Liability Conditions**:

Primary and Noncontributory Insurance

This insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an additional insured provided that:

- (1) The additional insured is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and
- (2) You are required by written contract or written agreement that this insurance be primary and not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the additional insured.

2. The following paragraph is added to Paragraph 4.b. **Excess Insurance** of the **Other Insurance** Condition of Section IV - – **Commercial General Liability Conditions**:

This insurance is excess over:

Any of the other insurance, whether primary, excess, contingent or on any other basis, available to an additional insured, in which the additional insured on our policy is also covered as an additional insured on another policy providing coverage for the same "occurrence", offense, claim or "suit". This provision does not apply to any policy in which the additional insured is Named Insured on such other policy and where our policy is required by a written contract or written agreement to provide coverage to the additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis.

- E. This endorsement does not apply to an additional insured which has been added to this policy by an endorsement showing the additional insured in a Schedule of additional insureds, and which endorsement applies specially to that identified additional insured.

F. Solely with respect to the insurance afforded to the additional insureds under this endorsement, the following is added to Section III – **Limits of Insurance**:

The most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- a. Required by the written contract or written agreement referenced in Paragraph **A.** of this endorsement;
or
- b. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations, whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

All other terms, conditions, provisions and exclusions of this policy remain the same.

Policy Number: XSAL-100084

BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE

ADDITIONAL INSURED - DESIGNATED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE

SCHEDULE

NAME OF PERSON OR ORGANIZATION:

When required by written contract, any person, firm or organization.

WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule as an insured but only with respect to liability arising out of your operations of "autos".

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

**WAIVER OF TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY
AGAINST OTHERS TO US (WAIVER OF SUBROGATION)**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

AUTO DEALERS COVERAGE FORM
BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM
MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

This endorsement changes the policy effective on the inception date of the policy unless another date is indicated below.

Named Insured:
Endorsement Effective Date:

SCHEDULE

Name(s) Of Person(s) Or Organization(s):
When required by written contract, any person, firm or organization.
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

The Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us condition does not apply to the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only to the extent that subrogation is waived prior to the "accident" or the "loss" under a contract with that person or organization.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY – OTHER INSURANCE CONDITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The following is added to the **Other Insurance** Condition and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

Primary And Noncontributory Insurance

This insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an additional insured under your policy provided that:

(1) The additional insured is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and

(2) You have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the additional insured.

Policy Number: XSGL-100077

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

WAIVER OF TRANSFER RIGHTS OF RECOVERY AGAINST OTHERS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART.
OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Name of Person or Organization:

If required by written contract, any person, firm or organization.

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

We waive any right of recovery we may have against the person or organization shown in the Schedule because of payments we make for injury or damage arising out of "your work" done under a contract with that person or organization. The waiver applies only to the person or organization shown in the Schedule.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY- OTHER INSURANCE CONDITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

AUTO DEALERS COVERAGE FORM
BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM
MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

- A. The following is added to the Other Insurance Condition in the Business Auto Coverage Form and the Other Insurance- Primary And Excess Insurance Provisions in the Motor Carrier Coverage Form and supersedes any provision to the contrary:
- This Coverage Form's Covered Autos Liability Coverage is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an "insured" under your policy provided that:
1. Such "insured" is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and
 2. You have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution *from* any other insurance available to such "insured".
- B. The following is added to the Other Insurance Condition in the Auto Dealers Coverage Form and supersedes any provision to the contrary:
- This Coverage Form's Covered Autos Liability Coverage and General Liability Coverages are primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an "insured" under your policy provided that:
1. Such "insured" is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and
 2. You have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to such "insured".

Policy Number: XSWC-100075 (Louisiana),

GWC-100143 (Arkansas), GWC-100144 (States) AL, MS, TN

WAIVER OF OUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM OTHERS ENDORSEMENT

We have the right to recover our payments from anyone liable for an injury covered by this policy. We will not enforce our right against the person or organization named in the Schedule. (This agreement applies only to the extent that you perform work under a written contract that requires you to obtain this agreement from us.)

This agreement shall not operate directly or indirectly to benefit any one not named in the Schedule.

Schedule

When required by written contract, any person, firm or organization.

Policy Number (s) XSGL-100077, XSAL-100084, XSWC-100075 (Louisiana),

GWC-100143 (Arkansas), GWC-100144 (States) AL, MS, TN

CERTIFICATE HOLDER WRITTEN NOTICE CANCELLATION ENDORSEMENT

In the event of cancellation by the Company THIRTY (30) days written notice will be given to the scheduled certificate holders. This notice in no way changes the notice of cancellation that is required to be given to the insured by any state law:

Schedule

Any person, organization or company as required by written contract.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL EXCESS LIABILITY

The following is added to **1. Insuring Agreement** under **Section I - Coverages**:

Any additional insured under any policy of "underlying insurance" will automatically be an additional insured under this insurance. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance required by the contract, less any amounts payable by any "underlying insurance".

Additional insured coverage provided by this insurance will not be broader than coverage provided by the "underlying insurance".

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

WAIVER OF SUBROGATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL EXCESS LIABILITY

- A. It is agreed the following is added to Section III – Conditions:

Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in **SECTION III – CONDITIONS** paragraph 6. **Other Insurance** of this policy, we waive rights of recovery we may have because of payments we make for injury or damage arising out of your work performed under a written contract requiring such waiver with that person or organization and included in the premises/operations and products-completed operations hazard. However, our rights may only be waived prior to the "incident" giving rise to the injury or damage for which we make payment under this policy.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY – OTHER INSURANCE CONDITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

EXCESS LIABILITY

The following is added to the **Other Insurance** Condition and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

Primary And Noncontributory Insurance

This insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an additional insured under your policy provided that:

- (1) The additional insured is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and

- (2) You have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the additional insured.

EXCESS (FOLLOWING FORM) LIABILITY INSURANCE

THIS POLICY PROVIDES FOLLOWING FORM COVERAGE AND WILL BE CLAIMS-MADE WHEN FOLLOWING CLAIMS-MADE "CONTROLLING UNDERLYING INSURANCE". PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE FORM CAREFULLY.

Various provisions in this insurance restrict coverage. Read the entire contract carefully to determine rights, duties and what is and is not covered.

Throughout this insurance the words "you" and "your" refer to the Named Insured shown in the Declarations and any other person or organization qualifying as a Named Insured under this policy. The words "we", "us" and "our" refer to the Company providing this insurance.

The word "insured" means any person or organization qualifying as such under Section II - Who Is An Insured.

Other words and phrases that appear in quotation marks have special meaning. Refer to Section V - Definitions.

SECTION I - EXCESS (FOLLOWING FORM) LIABILITY COVERAGE

1. INSURING AGREEMENT

- a. We will pay on behalf of the insured those sums, in excess of the "applicable underlying limit", that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages to which this insurance applies, provided that the "controlling underlying insurance" would apply to such damages but for the exhaustion of its applicable limits of insurance. If a sublimit is specified in any "underlying insurance", this insurance does not apply to damages that are in excess of that sublimit unless such sublimit is shown for that "underlying insurance" in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance or the Schedule Of Controlling Underlying Insurance in the Declarations.
- b. This insurance is subject to:
 - (1) The same terms, conditions, agreements, exclusions and definitions as the "controlling underlying insurance", except with respect to any provisions to the contrary contained in this insurance; and
 - (2) Any additional exclusions not contained in the "controlling underlying insurance" that are contained in any other "underlying insurance".
- c. For the purposes of Paragraph a. above, the applicable limit of insurance stated for the policies of "underlying insurance" in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance or the Schedule Of Controlling Underlying Insurance in the Declarations can

only be reduced or exhausted by the following payments:

- (1) Payments of judgments or settlements for damages that are covered by such "underlying insurance". However, if such "underlying insurance" has a policy period which differs from the policy period of this Excess (Following Form) Liability Insurance Policy, none of such payments can be for damages that would not be covered by this Excess (Following Form) Liability Insurance Policy because of its different policy period; or
- (2) "Medical expenses" incurred for bodily injury caused by an accident that takes place during the policy period of this Excess (Following Form) Liability Insurance Policy.

If the applicable limit of insurance stated for the policies of "underlying insurance" in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance or the Schedule Of Controlling Underlying Insurance in the Declarations are reduced or exhausted by other payments, this insurance is not invalidated. However, in the event of a loss, we will pay only to the extent that we would have paid had such limit not been reduced or exhausted by such other payments.

2. DEFENSE OF CLAIMS OR SUITS

- a. We will have no duty to defend any claim or "suit" regardless of whether the claim or "suit" is for damages to which this insurance applies.
- b. We will have the right but not the duty to associate in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claims

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or "suits" for damages to which this insurance is likely to apply.

- c. We may investigate and settle any claim or "suit" at our discretion.
- d. We will pay, with respect to any claim or "suit" for which we associate in the defense of the claim or "suit" or for which we pay our part of a judgment:

- (1) All expenses we incur.
- (2) The cost of appeal bonds and bonds to release attachments, but only for bond amounts within the "applicable limit of insurance". We do not have to furnish these bonds.
- (3) Prejudgment interest awarded against the insured on that part of the judgment we pay. If we make an offer to pay the "applicable limit of insurance", we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer.

These payments will not reduce the "applicable limit of insurance".

3. EXCLUSIONS

In addition to the exclusions contained in any "underlying insurance", the following exclusions apply to this insurance:

a. Asbestos

- (1) Damages arising out of the actual or alleged presence or actual, alleged or threatened dispersal of asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos, provided that the damages are caused or contributed to by the hazardous properties of asbestos.
- (2) Damages arising out of the actual or alleged presence or actual, alleged or threatened dispersal of any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste, and that is part of any claim or "suit" which also alleges any damages described in Paragraph (1) of this exclusion.
- (3) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
 - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat,

detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos; or

- (b) Claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos.

b. Employment-Related Practices

Damages because of injury to:

- (1) A person arising out of any:
 - (a) Refusal to employ that person;
 - (b) Termination of that person's employment; or
 - (c) Employment-related practices, policy, act or omission, such as coercion, demotion, evaluation, reassignment, discipline, failure to promote or advance, harassment, humiliation, discrimination, libel, slander, violation of the person's right of privacy, malicious prosecution or false arrest, detention or imprisonment, applied to or directed at that person, regardless of whether such practice, policy, act or omission occurs, is applied or is committed before, during or after the time of that person's employment; or
- (2) The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that person as a consequence of injury to that person as described in Paragraph (1) (a), (b) or (c) of this exclusion.

This exclusion applies:

- (1) Whether the insured may be held liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and
- (2) To any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

c. ERISA, COBRA and Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under:

- (1) The Employees Retirement Income Security Act Of 1974 (ERISA);

- (2) The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA); or
- (3) Any similar common or statutory law of any jurisdiction;

including any amendments to such laws.

d. War

Damages arising out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war; or
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

SECTION II - WHO IS AN INSURED

Any person or organization qualifying as an insured under the "controlling underlying insurance" is an insured under this policy.

If you have agreed to provide insurance for that person or organization in a written contract or agreement:

- 1. The limits of insurance afforded to such person or organization will be:
 - a. The amount by which the minimum limits of insurance you agreed to provide such person or organization in such written contract or agreement exceed the total limits of insurance of all applicable "underlying insurance"; or
 - b. The Limits of Insurance of this policy shown in the Declarations;
 whichever is less; and
- 2. Coverage under this policy does not apply to such person or organization if the minimum limits of insurance you agreed to provide such person or organization in such written contract or agreement are wholly within the total limits of insurance of all applicable "underlying insurance".

SECTION III - LIMITS OF INSURANCE

- 1. The Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations and the rules below fix the most we will pay regardless of the number of:

- a. Insureds;
- b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
- c. Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".

- 2. The Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for all damages covered under this policy, except:

- a. Damages because of injury or damage included in the "auto hazard"; or
- b. Damages because of injury or damage for which insurance is provided under any Aircraft Liability coverage included as "controlling underlying insurance" to which no aggregate limit applies.

If a policy of "underlying insurance" that is immediately underlying this policy applies a separate products-completed operations aggregate limit in that same policy, a separate Aggregate Limit will apply to all damages covered under this policy that would have been subject to such products-completed operations aggregate limit in that policy of "underlying insurance".

- 3. Subject to Paragraph 2. above, the Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for all damages covered under this policy arising out of any one "event" to which the applicable "controlling underlying insurance" applies a limit of insurance that is separate from the aggregate limit of insurance under that insurance.
- 4. The limits of this insurance apply separately to each consecutive annual period and to any remaining period of less than 12 months. The policy period begins with the effective date shown in the Declarations. If the policy period is extended after issuance for an additional period of less than 12 months, the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period.

SECTION IV - CONDITIONS

1. APPEALS

- a. If the insured or the insured's "underlying insurer" elects not to appeal a judgment which exceeds the "applicable underlying limit", we may do so.
- b. If we appeal such a judgment, we will pay all costs of the appeal. These sums are in addition to the "applicable limit of insurance". In no event will our liability exceed the "applicable limit of insurance".

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2. BANKRUPTCY

Bankruptcy or insolvency of the insured or of the insured's estate will not relieve us of our obligations under this insurance.

In the event of bankruptcy or insolvency of any "underlying insurer", this insurance will not replace such bankrupt or insolvent "underlying insurer's" policy, and this insurance will apply as if such "underlying insurer" not become bankrupt or insolvent.

3. CANCELLATION

- a. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations may cancel this insurance by mailing or delivering to us advance written notice of cancellation.
- b. We may cancel this insurance by mailing or delivering to such first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
 - (1) 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for nonpayment of premium; or
 - (2) 30 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.
- c. We will mail or deliver our notice to such first Named Insured's last mailing address known to us.
- d. Notice of cancellation will state the effective date of cancellation. The policy period will end on that date.
- e. If this insurance is cancelled, we will send such first Named Insured any premium refund due. The refund will be pro rata. The cancellation will be effective even if we have not made or offered a refund.
- f. If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

4. CHANGES

This policy contains all the agreements between you and us concerning the insurance afforded. No change can be made in terms of this insurance except with our consent. The terms of this insurance can be amended or waived only by endorsement issued by us and made a part of this insurance.

5. DUTIES REGARDING AN EVENT, CLAIM OR SUIT

- a. You must see to it that we are notified promptly of an "event" which may result in a claim under this insurance. Notice should include:

- (1) How, when and where the "event" took place; and

- (2) The names and addresses of any persons or organizations sustaining injury, damage or loss, and the names and addresses of any witnesses.

- b. If a claim is made or "suit" is brought against any insured which may result in a claim against this insurance, you must see to it that we receive prompt written notice of the claim or "suit".

- c. The insured must:

- (1) Cooperate with the "underlying insurers";

- (2) Comply with the terms of the "controlling underlying insurance"; and

- (3) Pursue all rights of contribution or indemnity against any person or organization who may be liable to the insured because of the injury, damage or loss for which insurance is provided under this policy or any policy of "underlying insurance".

- d. If we associate in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim or "suit", the insured must cooperate with us.

6. EXAMINATION OF YOUR BOOKS AND RECORDS

We may examine and audit your books and records as they relate to this insurance:

- a. At any time during the policy period;

- b. Up to three years after the end of the policy period; and

- c. Within one year after final settlement of all claims under this insurance.

7. INSPECTIONS AND SURVEYS

We have the right but are not obligated to:

- a. Make inspections and surveys at any time;

- b. Give you reports on the conditions we find; and

- c. Recommend changes.

Any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations relate only to insurability and the premiums to be charged. We do not make safety inspections. We do not undertake to perform the duty of any person or organization to provide

for the health or safety of workers or the public. We do not warrant that conditions:

- a. Are safe or healthful; or
- b. Comply with laws, regulations, codes or standards.

8. LEGAL ACTION AGAINST US

No person or organization has a right under this insurance:

- a. To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or
- b. To sue us on this insurance unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.

A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured. We will not be liable for damages that:

- a. Are not payable under the terms of this insurance; or
- b. Are in excess of the "applicable limit of insurance".

An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, by the insured and by the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

9. MAINTENANCE OF UNDERLYING INSURANCE

The insurance afforded by each policy of "underlying insurance" will be maintained for the full policy period of this Excess (Following Form) Liability Insurance Policy. This provision does not apply to the reduction or exhaustion of the aggregate limit or limits of such "underlying insurance" solely by payments as permitted in paragraph 1.c. of Section I - Excess Liability Coverage. As such policies expire, you will renew them at limits and with coverage at least equal to the expiring limits of insurance. If you fail to comply with the above requirements, this insurance is not invalidated. However, in the event of a loss, we will pay only to the extent that we would have paid had you complied with the above requirements.

The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations must give us a written notice of any change in the "underlying insurance" as respects:

- a. Coverage;
- b. Limits of insurance;
- c. Termination of any coverage; or
- d. Exhaustion of aggregate limits.

If you are unable to recover from any "underlying insurer" because you fail to comply with any term or condition of your "underlying insurance", this insurance is not invalidated. However, we will pay for any loss only to the extent that we would have paid had you complied with that term or condition in that "underlying insurance".

10. OTHER INSURANCE

This insurance is excess over any valid and collectible other insurance whether such other insurance is stated to be primary, contributing, excess, contingent or otherwise. This provision does not apply to a policy bought specifically to apply as excess of this insurance or as quota share with this insurance.

As used anywhere in this policy, other insurance:

- a. Means insurance, or the funding of losses, that is provided by, through or on behalf of:
 - (1) Another insurance company;
 - (2) Us or any of our affiliated insurance companies;
 - (3) Any risk retention group;
 - (4) Any self-insurance method or program, including any failure to buy insurance, or decision to not buy insurance, for any reason, in which case the insured will be deemed to be the provider of other insurance; or
 - (5) Any similar risk transfer or risk management method.
- b. Does not include any "underlying insurance".

11. OUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM OTHERS

If we make a payment under this insurance, the insured will assist us and the "underlying insurer" in recovering what we paid by using the insured's rights of recovery. Reimbursement will be made in the following order:

- a. First, to any person or organization (including us or the insured) who has paid any amount in excess of the applicable limit of insurance";
- b. Next, to us; and
- c. Then, to any person or organization (including the insured and the "underlying insurer") that is entitled to claim the remainder, if any.

Expenses incurred in the process of recovery will be divided among all

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persons or organizations receiving amounts recovered according to the ratio of their respective recoveries.

12. PREMIUM

- a. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations is responsible for the payment of all premiums and will be the payee for any return premiums.
- b. If the premium is a flat charge, it is not subject to adjustment except as provided in Paragraph d. below.
- c. If the premium is other than a flat charge, it is an advance premium only. The earned premium will be computed at the end of the policy period, or at the end of each year of the policy period if the policy period is two years or longer, at the rate shown in the Declarations, subject to the Minimum Premium.
- d. Additional premium may become payable when coverage is provided for additional insureds under the provisions of Section II - Who Is An Insured.

13. PREMIUM AUDIT

If this policy is auditable:

- a. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations must keep records of the information we need for premium computation, and send us copies at such times as we may request.
- b. At the close of each audit period, we will compute the earned premium for that period.
- c. Audit premiums are due and payable on notice to such first Named Insured.
- d. If the sum of the advance and audit premiums paid for the policy period is greater than the earned premium, we will return the excess to such first Named Insured, subject to the Minimum Premium.

14. REPRESENTATIONS

By accepting this insurance, you agree:

- a. The statements in the Declarations and any subsequent notice relating to "underlying insurance" are accurate and complete;
- b. Those statements are based upon representations you made to us; and
- c. We have issued this insurance in reliance upon your representations.

15. SEPARATION OF INSUREDS

Except with respect to the Limits of Insurance, and any rights or duties specifically assigned in this policy to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations, this insurance applies:

- a. As if each Named Insured were the only Named Insured; and
- b. Separately to each insured against whom claim is made or "suit" is brought.

16. TRANSFER OF YOUR RIGHTS AND DUTIES UNDER THIS INSURANCE

Your rights and duties under this insurance may not be transferred without our written consent except in the case of death of an individual Named Insured.

If you die, your rights and duties will be transferred to your legal representative but only while acting within the scope of duties as your legal representative. Until your legal representative is appointed, anyone having proper temporary custody of your property will have your rights and duties but only with respect to that property.

17. WHEN LOSS IS PAYABLE

If we are liable under this insurance, we will pay for injury, damage or loss after:

- a. The insured's liability is established by:
 - (1) A court decision; or
 - (2) A written agreement between the claimant, the insured, any "underlying insurer" and us; and
- b. The amount of the "applicable underlying limit" is paid by or on behalf of the insured.

18. WHEN WE ARE PROHIBITED FROM PAYING DAMAGES ON BEHALF OF AN INSURED

If the laws or regulations of a country or jurisdiction prohibit us from paying, on behalf of an insured, amounts that the insured is legally obligated to pay as damages to which this insurance applies, the insured may pay such damages with our consent.

If the insured gives us proof of such payments, we will repay the insured for such damages. But we will only repay the insured for such damages until we have used up the "applicable limit of insurance" in the payment of judgments or settlements.