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Standard Form of Agreement Between Contractor and Subcontractor

AGREEMENT made as of the _____ day of _____ in the year _____
(In words, indicate day, month and year.)

BETWEEN the Contractor:
(Name, legal status, address and other information)

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

and the Subcontractor:
(Name, legal status, address and other information)

The Contractor has made a contract for construction (hereinafter, the Prime Contract) dated:

with the Owner:
(Name, legal status, address and other information)

for the following Project:
(Name, location and detailed description)

The Prime Contract provides for the furnishing of labor, materials, equipment and services in connection with the construction of the Project. A copy of the Prime Contract, consisting of the Agreement Between Owner and Contractor (from which compensation amounts may be deleted) and the other Contract Documents enumerated therein, has been made available to the Subcontractor.

The Architect for the Project:
(Name, legal status, address and other information)

The Contractor and the Subcontractor agree as follows.

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ARTICLE 1 THE SUBCONTRACT DOCUMENTS

§ 1.1 The Subcontract Documents consist of (1) this Agreement; (2) the Prime Contract, consisting of the Agreement between the Owner and Contractor and the other Contract Documents enumerated therein; (3) Modifications to the Prime Contract, whether issued before or after the execution of this Agreement, in accordance with the provisions of Article 5; (4) other documents listed in Article 15 of this Agreement; and (5) Modifications to this Subcontract issued after execution of this Agreement, in accordance with the provisions of Article 5. These form the Subcontract, and are as fully a part of the Subcontract as if attached to this Agreement or repeated herein.

§ 1.2 The Subcontract Documents form the Subcontract for Construction. The Subcontract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. An enumeration of the Subcontract Documents, other than Modifications to the Prime Contract or Modifications to this Subcontract issued subsequent to the execution of this Agreement, appears in Article 15.

§ 1.3 Except to the extent of a conflict with a specific term or condition contained in the Subcontract Documents, the General Conditions governing this Subcontract shall be the AIA Document A201™–2017, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.

§ 1.4 The Subcontract may be amended or modified only by a Modification to this Subcontract. A Modification to this Subcontract is a written amendment to this Agreement signed by both parties, or as otherwise described in, and in accordance with the provisions of, Article 5.

§ 1.5 The Subcontract Documents shall not be construed to create a contractual relationship of any kind (1) between the Architect and the Subcontractor, (2) between the Owner and the Subcontractor, or (3) between any persons or entities other than the Contractor and Subcontractor.

§ 1.6 The Contractor shall make the Subcontract Documents available to the Subcontractor prior to execution of this Agreement, and thereafter, upon request. The Contractor may charge the Subcontractor for the reasonable cost to reproduce the Subcontract Documents provided to the Subcontractor.

ARTICLE 2 MUTUAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Contractor and Subcontractor shall be mutually bound by the terms of this Agreement and, to the extent that the provisions of AIA Document A201–2017 apply to this Agreement pursuant to Section 1.3 and provisions of the Prime Contract apply to the Work of the Subcontractor, the Contractor shall assume toward the Subcontractor all obligations and responsibilities that the Owner, under such documents, assumes toward the Contractor, and the Subcontractor shall assume toward the Contractor all obligations and responsibilities that the Contractor, under such documents, assumes toward the Owner and the Architect. The Contractor shall have the benefit of all rights, remedies, and redress against the Subcontractor that the Owner, under such documents, has against the Contractor, and the Subcontractor shall have the benefit of all rights, remedies, and redress against the Contractor that the Contractor, under such documents, has against the Owner, insofar as applicable to this Subcontract. Where a provision of such documents is inconsistent with a provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall govern.

ARTICLE 3 CONTRACTOR

§ 3.1 General

§ 3.1.1 The Contractor is the person or entity identified as such in this Agreement and is referred to throughout the Subcontract Documents as if singular in number. The Contractor shall designate in writing a representative who shall have express authority to bind the Contractor with respect to all Project matters requiring the Contractor's approval or authorization. The term "Contractor" means the Contractor or the Contractor's authorized representative.

§ 3.1.2 The Contractor shall render decisions in a timely manner and in accordance with the Contractor's construction schedule.

§ 3.2 Services Provided by the Contractor

§ 3.2.1 The Contractor shall cooperate with the Subcontractor in scheduling and performing the Contractor's Work to avoid conflicts or interference in the Subcontractor's Work and shall review, and expedite written responses to, submittals made by the Subcontractor in accordance with Section 4.2.3 and Article 5. Promptly after execution of this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide the Subcontractor with copies of the Contractor's construction schedule and schedule of submittals, together with such additional scheduling details as will enable the Subcontractor to plan and perform the Subcontractor's Work properly. The Contractor shall promptly notify the Subcontractor of subsequent changes in the construction and submittal schedules and additional scheduling details.

§ 3.2.2 The Contractor shall provide suitable areas for storage of the Subcontractor's materials and equipment during the course of the Work. Except as previously agreed upon, additional costs to the Subcontractor resulting from relocation of such storage areas at the direction of the Contractor shall be reimbursed by the Contractor.

§ 3.3 Communications

§ 3.3.1 The Contractor shall promptly make available to the Subcontractor information, including information received from the Owner, that affects the performance of this Subcontract and that becomes available to the Contractor subsequent to execution of this Subcontract.

§ 3.3.2 The Contractor shall not give instructions or orders directly to the Subcontractor's employees or to the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors or suppliers unless such persons are designated as authorized representatives of the Subcontractor.

§ 3.3.3 The Contractor shall permit the Subcontractor to request information directly from the Architect regarding the percentages of completion and the amount certified on account of Work done by the Subcontractor.

§ 3.3.4 If hazardous materials or substances are being used on the site by the Contractor, a subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them (other than the Subcontractor), and they are a type of hazardous material or substance of which an employer is required by law to notify its employees, the Contractor shall, prior to delivery to the Project site or exposure of the Subcontractor's employees to such material or substance, give notice of the chemical composition thereof to the Subcontractor in sufficient detail and time to permit the Subcontractor's compliance with such laws.

§ 3.3.5 The Contractor shall promptly notify the Subcontractor of any fault or defect in the Work under this Subcontract or nonconformity with the Subcontract Documents.

§ 3.3.6 The Contractor shall furnish to the Subcontractor within 30 days after receipt of a written request, or earlier if so required by law, information necessary and relevant for the Subcontractor to evaluate, give notice of or enforce mechanic's lien rights. Such information shall include a correct statement of the record legal title to the property, usually referred to as the site, on which the Project is located and the Owner's interest therein. If the Contractor does not have such information, the Contractor shall request the information from the Owner in accordance with Article 2 of AIA Document A201-2017 and promptly furnish the information received from the Owner to the Subcontractor.

§ 3.3.7 If the Contractor asserts a Claim against, or defends a Claim by, the Owner that relates to the Work of the Subcontractor, the Contractor shall promptly make available to the Subcontractor all information relating to the portion of the Claim that relates to the Work of the Subcontractor.

§ 3.4 Claims by the Contractor

§ 3.4.1 Liquidated damages, if provided for in the Prime Contract, shall be assessed against the Subcontractor only to the extent caused by the Subcontractor or any person or entity for whose acts the Subcontractor may be liable, and in no case for delays or causes arising outside the scope of this Subcontract.

§ 3.4.2 The Contractor's Claims for the costs of services or materials provided due to the Subcontractor's failure to execute the Work shall require

- .1 seven days' notice prior to the Contractor's providing services or materials, except in an emergency; and
- .2 written compilations to the Subcontractor of services and materials provided by the Contractor and charges for such services and materials no later than the fifteenth day of the month following the Contractor's providing such services or materials.

§ 3.5 Contractor's Remedies

If the Subcontractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with this Agreement and fails within five working days after receipt of notice from the Contractor to commence and continue correction of such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the Contractor may, without prejudice to other remedies the Contractor may have, remedy such default or neglect and withhold, in accordance with Section 11.1.7.2, the reasonable cost thereof from current or future payments due the Subcontractor. If payments due to the Subcontractor are not sufficient to cover such amounts, the Subcontractor shall pay the difference to the Contractor.

ARTICLE 4 SUBCONTRACTOR

§ 4.1 General

The Subcontractor is the person or entity identified as such in this Agreement and is referred to throughout the Subcontract Documents as if singular in number. The Subcontractor shall be lawfully licensed, if required in the jurisdiction where the Project is located. The Subcontractor shall designate in writing a representative who shall have express authority to act on the Subcontractor's behalf with respect to the Project. The term "Subcontractor" means the Subcontractor or the Subcontractor's authorized representative.

§ 4.2 Execution and Progress of the Work

§ 4.2.1 For all Work the Subcontractor intends to subcontract, the Subcontractor shall enter into written agreements with Sub-subcontractors performing portions of the Work of this Subcontract by which the Subcontractor and the Sub-subcontractor are mutually bound, to the extent of the Work to be performed by the Sub-subcontractor, assuming toward each other all obligations and responsibilities that the Contractor and Subcontractor assume toward each other and having the benefit of all rights, remedies and redress each against the other that the Contractor and Subcontractor have by virtue of the provisions of this Agreement.

§ 4.2.2 The Subcontractor shall supervise and direct the Subcontractor's Work, and shall cooperate with the Contractor in scheduling and performing the Subcontractor's Work to avoid conflict, delay in, or interference with the Work of the Contractor, other subcontractors, the Owner, or Separate Contractors.

§ 4.2.3 Submittals

§ 4.2.3.1 The Subcontractor shall submit Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals required by the Subcontract Documents with reasonable promptness and in such sequence as to cause no delay in the Work or in the activities of the Contractor or other subcontractors.

§ 4.2.3.2 By submitting Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals, the Subcontractor represents to the Contractor that the Subcontractor has (1) reviewed and approved them; (2) determined and verified materials, field measurements, and field construction criteria related thereto, or will do so; and (3) checked and coordinated the information contained within such submittals with the requirements of the Work and of the Subcontract Documents.

§ 4.2.4 The Subcontractor shall furnish to the Contractor periodic progress reports on the Work of this Subcontract as mutually agreed, including information on the status of materials and equipment that may be in the course of preparation, manufacture, or transit.

§ 4.2.5 The Subcontractor agrees that the Contractor and the Architect each have the authority to reject Work of the Subcontractor that does not conform to the Prime Contract. The Architect's decisions on matters relating to aesthetic effect shall be final and binding on the Subcontractor if consistent with the intent expressed in the Prime Contract.

§ 4.2.6 The Subcontractor shall pay for all materials, equipment, and labor used in connection with the performance of this Subcontract through the period covered by previous payments received from the Contractor, and shall furnish satisfactory evidence, when requested by the Contractor, to verify compliance with the above requirements.

§ 4.2.7 The Subcontractor shall take necessary precautions to properly protect the work of the Contractor, Separate Contractors, and other subcontractors from damage caused by operations under this Subcontract.

§ 4.2.8 The Subcontractor shall cooperate with the Contractor, other subcontractors, the Owner, and Separate Contractors whose work might affect the Subcontractor's Work. The Subcontractor shall participate in the preparation of coordinated drawings in areas of congestion, if required by the Prime Contract, specifically noting and advising the Contractor of potential conflicts between the Work of the Subcontractor and that of the Contractor, other subcontractors, the Owner, or Separate Contractors.

§ 4.3 Permits, Fees, Notices, and Compliance with Laws

§ 4.3.1 The Subcontractor shall give notices and comply with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities bearing on performance of the Work of this Subcontract. The Subcontractor shall secure and pay for permits, fees, licenses, and inspections by government agencies necessary for proper execution and completion of the Subcontractor's Work, the furnishing of which is required of the Contractor by the Prime Contract.

§ 4.3.2 The Subcontractor shall comply with Federal, state, and local tax laws; social security acts; unemployment compensation acts; and workers' compensation acts, insofar as applicable to the performance of this Subcontract.

§ 4.4 Safety Precautions and Procedures

§ 4.4.1 The Subcontractor shall take reasonable safety precautions with respect to performance of this Subcontract. The Subcontractor shall comply with safety measures initiated by the Contractor and with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities, for the safety of persons and property, in accordance with the requirements of the Prime Contract. The Subcontractor shall notify the Contractor within three days of an injury to an employee or agent of the Subcontractor which occurred at the site.

§ 4.4.2 If hazardous materials or substances are being used on the site by the Subcontractor, the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, and they are a type of hazardous material or substance of which an employer is required by law to notify its employees, the Subcontractor shall, prior to delivery to the Project site or exposure of the Contractor, other subcontractors, and other employers on the site to such material or substance, give notice of the chemical composition thereof to the Contractor in sufficient detail and time to permit compliance with the laws by the Contractor, other subcontractors, and other employers on the site.

§ 4.4.3 If reasonable precautions will be inadequate to prevent foreseeable bodily injury or death to persons resulting from a hazardous material or substance, including but not limited to asbestos or polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB),

encountered on the site by the Subcontractor, the Subcontractor shall, upon recognizing the condition, immediately stop Work in the affected area and promptly report the condition to the Contractor in writing. When the material or substance has been rendered harmless, the Subcontractor's Work in the affected area shall resume upon written agreement of the Contractor and Subcontractor. The Subcontract Time shall be extended appropriately and the Subcontract Sum shall be increased in the amount of the Subcontractor's reasonable additional costs of demobilization, delay, and remobilization, which adjustments shall be accomplished as provided in Article 5 of this Agreement.

§ 4.4.4 To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Subcontractor, the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors, and agents and employees of any of them from and against claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the Work in the affected area if in fact the material or substance presents the risk of bodily injury or death as described in Section 4.4.3 and has not been rendered harmless, provided that such claim, damage, loss, or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself) except to the extent that such damage, loss, or expense is due to the fault or negligence of the party seeking indemnity.

§ 4.4.5 The Subcontractor shall reimburse the Contractor for the cost and expense the Contractor incurs (1) for remediation of a hazardous material or substance brought to the site and negligently handled by the Subcontractor or (2) where the Subcontractor fails to perform its obligations under Section 4.4.3, except to the extent that the cost and expense are due to the Contractor's fault or negligence.

§ 4.5 Cleaning Up

§ 4.5.1 The Subcontractor shall keep the premises and surrounding area free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by operations performed under this Subcontract. The Subcontractor shall not be held responsible for conditions caused by other contractors or subcontractors.

§ 4.5.2 As provided under Section 3.4.2, if the Subcontractor fails to clean up as provided in the Subcontract Documents, the Contractor may charge the Subcontractor for the Subcontractor's appropriate share of cleanup costs.

§ 4.6 Warranty

§ 4.6.1 The Subcontractor warrants to the Owner, Architect, and Contractor that materials and equipment furnished under this Subcontract will be of good quality and new unless the Subcontract Documents require or permit otherwise. The Subcontractor further warrants that the Work will conform to the requirements of the Subcontract Documents and will be free from defects, except for those inherent in the quality of the Work the Subcontract Documents require or permit. Work, materials, or equipment not conforming to these requirements may be considered defective. The Subcontractor's warranty excludes remedy for damage or defect caused by abuse, alterations to the Work not executed by the Subcontractor, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or normal wear and tear under normal usage. If required by the Architect and Contractor, the Subcontractor shall provide satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment furnished or to be furnished.

§ 4.6.2 All material, equipment, or other special warranties required by the Subcontract Documents shall be issued in the name of the Owner, or shall be transferable to the Owner, and shall commence in accordance with the Subcontract Documents.

§ 4.7 Indemnification

§ 4.7.1 To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Subcontractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, Contractor, Architect, Architect's consultants, and agents and employees of any of them from and against claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the Subcontractor's Work under this Subcontract, provided that any such claim, damage, loss, or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), but only to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Subcontractor, the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to a party or person described in this Section 4.7.

§ 4.7.2 In claims against any person or entity indemnified under this Section 4.7 by an employee of the Subcontractor, the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Section 4.7.1 shall not be limited by a limitation on the amount or

type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Subcontractor, or the Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractors under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

§ 4.8 Remedies for Nonpayment

If the Contractor does not pay the Subcontractor through no fault of the Subcontractor, within seven days from the time payment should be made as provided in this Agreement, the Subcontractor may, without prejudice to any other available remedies, upon seven additional days' notice to the Contractor, stop the Work of this Subcontract until payment of the amount owing has been received. The Subcontract Sum shall, by appropriate Modification, be increased by the amount of the Subcontractor's reasonable costs of demobilization, delay, and remobilization.

§ 4.9 Professional Services Provided by Subcontractor

§ 4.9.1 The Subcontractor shall not be required to provide professional services that constitute the practice of architecture or engineering unless such services are specifically required by the Subcontract Documents or unless the Subcontractor is required to provide such services in order to carry out the Subcontractor's responsibilities for its own construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures. The Subcontractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable law.

§ 4.9.2 If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials, or equipment are specifically required of the Subcontractor by the Subcontract Documents, the Contractor will provide all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy to the extent the Contractor has received such performance and design criteria from the Owner and Architect under the terms of the Prime Contract.

§ 4.9.3 If professional design services or certifications by a design professional are required because of means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures required by the Contractor and related to the Work of the Subcontractor, the Contractor will provide all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy.

§ 4.9.4 The Subcontractor shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy, and completeness of the performance and design criteria received from the Contractor under this Section 4.9.

§ 4.9.5 The Subcontractor shall cause the professional services performed under this Section 4.9 to be provided by a properly licensed design professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, Shop Drawings, and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop drawings and other submittals related to the Work designed by such design professional shall bear the professional's written approval when submitted to the Contractor. The Contractor shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy, and completeness of the services, certifications, and approvals performed or provided by the design professionals, provided the Contractor has provided to the Subcontractor all performance and design criteria required by this Section 4.9.

ARTICLE 5 CHANGES IN THE WORK

§ 5.1 The Owner may make changes in the Work by issuing Modifications to the Prime Contract. Upon receipt of a Modification to the Prime Contract issued subsequent to the execution of this Agreement, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Subcontractor of such Modification. Unless otherwise directed by the Contractor, the Subcontractor shall not thereafter order materials or perform Work that would be inconsistent with the changes made by the Modification to the Prime Contract.

§ 5.2 The Subcontractor may be ordered in writing by the Contractor, without invalidating this Subcontract, to make changes in the Work within the general scope of this Subcontract consisting of additions, deletions, or other revisions, including those required by Modifications to the Prime Contract issued subsequent to the execution of this Agreement, with the Subcontract Sum and the Subcontract Time adjusted accordingly. The Subcontractor, prior to the commencement of such changed or revised Work, shall submit promptly to the Contractor written copies of a Claim for adjustment to the Subcontract Sum and Subcontract Time for such revised Work in a manner consistent with requirements of the Subcontract Documents.

§ 5.3 The Subcontractor shall make all Claims promptly to the Contractor for additional cost, extensions of time and damages for delays, or other causes in accordance with the Subcontract Documents. A Claim which will affect or become part of a Claim which the Contractor is required to make under the Prime Contract within a specified time period or in a specified manner shall be made in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to satisfy the requirements of the Prime Contract. Such Claims shall be received by the Contractor not less than two working days preceding the time

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