COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

THE PORT OF HUENEME

AND

THE TRI COUNTIES BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL, AFL-CIO

AND

THE SIGNATORY CRAFT COUNCILS AND UNIONS
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PORT OF HUENEME  
COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT

This Community Workforce Agreement (hereinafter, “Agreement”) is entered into by and among the Board of Harbor Commissioners for the Port of Hueneme (the “Port”), the Tri Counties Building & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO (the “Council”), and the signatory Craft Councils and Unions signing this Agreement (hereinafter together with the Council, collectively, the “Unions”). This Agreement establishes the labor relations guidelines and procedures for the Port and for the Contractors and craft employees represented by the Unions and engaged in Project Work. The Port, Council and Unions are hereinafter referred to herein, as the context may require, as “Party” or “Parties.”

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Port anticipates undertaking multiple large expenditures of public funds for public works of improvement projects in furtherance of the Port’s powers and purposes; and

WHEREAS, the successful completion of these public works construction projects is of the utmost importance to the Port and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, the Port desires to assure the completion of these public works construction projects through the utilization of appropriately skilled workers so that such work can be completed in a professional, competent and efficient manner without undue delay or work stoppage; and

WHEREAS, the large numbers of workers needed for such construction work will require workers of various trades and skill levels, including workers affiliated with and/or represented by the Unions; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that by establishing the wage and workforce requirements for such public works construction projects as defined and set forth herein in this Agreement will promote a satisfactory, continuous and harmonious relationship between the Unions and the Port that will promote the efficient and economical completion of such public works construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the Parties believe this Agreement provides the Port the opportunity to establish a partnership with local construction labor community for the benefit of the Port’s planned public works construction projects set forth herein, in order to, promote economical and efficient construction of such work, support the local economy by generating local construction and other related jobs, partner with responsible public works contractors and companies, and provide for the peaceful settlement of any labor disputes, thereby promoting the public interest in the satisfactory completion of such work in a timely and economical manner; and

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

WHEREAS, the Port shall actively administer and enforce the obligations of this Agreement to ensure that the benefits envisioned from it flow to all signatory Parties, the Contractors and crafts persons working under it, and the residents and students of the Port. The Port shall therefore designate a “Community Workforce Coordinator,” either from its own staff or an independent contractor acting on behalf of the Port, to monitor compliance with this Agreement; assist, as the authorized representative of the Port, in developing and implementing the programs referenced herein, all of which are critical to fulfilling the intent and purposes of the Parties and this Agreement; and to otherwise implement and administer this Agreement. For such purposes, each Contractor recognizes the Community Workforce Coordinator, its successors or assigns, as its agent; and together with Port and the Unions, the Community Workforce Coordinator shall be considered a “negotiating party” of this Agreement.

DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms used in this Agreement which are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth below. To the extent of any conflict between the definition of a term in this section and the

A. Apprentice. The term “Apprentice” as used in this Agreement shall mean those employees registered and participating in Joint Labor/Management Apprenticeship Programs that are approved by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California as further described in Article 13 herein.

B. Contractor. The term “Contractor” as used in this Agreement includes any individual, firm, partnership, or corporation, or combination thereof, including joint ventures, which as an Independent Contractor has entered into a contract with the Port with respect to the Project Work, or with another Contractor as a subcontractor of whatever tier utilized by such Contractors for Project Work.

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

D. Letter of Assent. The term “Letter of Assent” as used in this Agreement means the document that each Contractor (of any tier) must sign and submit to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council, before beginning any Project Work, which formally binds them to adhere to all the forms, requirements and conditions of this Agreement, in the letter attached hereto as Attachment A.

E. Project/Project Work. The term “Project” or “Project Work” as used in this Agreement means the Port’s renovation, rehabilitation, upgrade and improvement work and new construction projects described in Section 2.2 of this Agreement and are contracted out by the Port.
F. Master Labor Agreements/MLAs. The terms “Master Labor Agreements” or “MLAs,” as used in this Agreement, means the local collective bargaining agreements of the signatory Unions having jurisdiction over the Project Work and which have signed this Agreement.

G. Subscription Agreement. The term “Subscription Agreement” means the contract between a Contractor and a Union’s Labor/Management Trust Fund(s) that allows the Contractor to make the appropriate fringe benefit contributions in accordance with the terms of MLA.

H. Union and Contractor Commitment. The Union and all Contractors agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement and agree that this Agreement represents the complete understanding of the Parties. No Contractor is or will be required to sign or otherwise become a party to any other collective bargaining agreement with a signatory Union as a condition of performing work within the scope of this Agreement.

I. Availability of Agreement. The Parties agree that this Agreement will be made available to, and will fully apply to, any successful bidder for Project Work, without regard to whether that successful bidder performs work at other sites on either a union or non-union basis. This Agreement shall not apply to any work of any Contractor other than that on Project Work specifically covered by this Agreement.

J. Gender References. The use of masculine or feminine gender or titles in this Agreement should be construed as including both genders and not as gender limitations unless the Agreement clearly requires a different construction. Further, the use of Article titles and/or Section headings are for information only and carry no legal significance.

K. Incorporation of Recitals and Definitions. The above Recitals and Definitions are a part of the terms of this Agreement and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED BETWEEN AND AMONG THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1
INTENT AND PURPOSE

Section 1.1 Identification and Retention of Skilled Labor and Employment of Port Residents: The construction and capital improvement work scheduled to be performed by the Port will require large numbers of craft personnel and other supporting workers. The parties understand and intend to use the opportunities provided by the extensive amount of work to be covered by this Agreement to identify and promote, through cooperative efforts, programs and procedures (which may include, for example, programs to prepare persons for entrance into formal apprenticeship programs, or outreach programs to the community describing opportunities available as a result of the Project), the interest and involvement of Port residents in the construction industry; assist them in entering the construction trades, and through utilization of
the Joint Labor/Management sponsored apprenticeship programs, provide training opportunities for those Port residents and other individuals wishing to pursue a career in construction. Further, with assistance of the Community Workforce Coordinator, the Port, the Contractors, the Unions and their affiliated regional and national organizations, will work jointly to develop and implement procedures promptly for the identification of craft needs, the scheduling of work to facilitate the utilization of available craft workers, and to secure the services of craft workers in sufficient numbers to meet the high demands of the Project Work to be undertaken.

Section 1.2 Encouragement of Local and Small Business: The Project will provide many opportunities for local and small business enterprises to participate as contractors or suppliers, and the parties therefore agree that they will cooperate with all efforts of the Port, the Community Workforce Coordinator, and other organizations retained by the Port for the purpose of encouraging and assisting the participation of local and small businesses in Project Work. The parties shall ensure that the provisions of this Agreement do not inadvertently establish impediments to the participation of local and small businesses, and residents of the Port and agree to negotiate, in good faith, in attempting to reach agreement on amendment(s) necessary to this Agreement to remove such impediments.

Section 1.3 Project Cooperation: The parties recognize that the construction to take place under this Agreement involves unique and special circumstances which dictate the need for the parties to develop specific procedures to promote high quality, rapid and uninterrupted construction methods, and practices. The smooth operation and successful and timely completion of the work is vitally important to the Port. The parties therefore agree that maximum cooperation among all parties involved is required; and that with construction work of this magnitude, with multiple contractors and crafts performing work on multiple sites of over an extended period of time, all parties agree to work in a spirit of harmony and cooperation, and with an overriding commitment to maintain the continuity of Project Work.

Section 1.4 Peaceful Resolution of All Disputes: In recognition of the special needs of the Project and to maintain a spirit of harmony, labor-management peace and stability during the term of this Community Workforce Agreement, the parties agree to establish effective and binding methods for the settlement of all misunderstandings, disputes and grievances; and in recognition of such methods and procedures, the unions agree not to engage in any strike, slowdowns or interruptions or disruption of Project Work, and the contractors agree not to engage in and/or promote any lockout, or any other action impairing or impeding the Project Work.

Section 1.5 Binding Agreement on Parties and Inclusion of Port Residents and Businesses: By executing this Agreement, the Port, Council, Unions and Contractors agree to be bound by each and all of the provisions of this Agreement, and pledge that they will work together to adopt, develop, and implement processes and procedures which are inclusive of the residents and businesses of the Port.
ARTICLE 2
SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

Section 2.1 General: This Agreement shall only apply to work which is contracted out by the Port deemed a contract covered by this Agreement or executing craft work under an Agreement upon such a Contract. This Agreement shall apply and is limited to all of the Port’s Project Work, as specified in Section 2.2 of this Article, performed by those Contractor(s) of whatever tier that have contracts awarded for such work, for the development of the Port’s facilities which, jointly, constitute the Project, and have been designated by the Port for construction or rehabilitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each contract subject to this Agreement shall be procured and awarded in accordance with applicable law and the Port’s standard procedures, and the Port has the absolute right to combine, consolidate, or cancel contracts or portions thereof in its sole discretion.

Section 2.2 Specific: The Project is defined and limited to:

2.2.1 All construction, abatement, demolition, renovation, rehabilitation, upgrade and improvement work and new construction projects to be performed pursuant to or under a contract with the Port, and all subcontracts flowing from these contracts, where the engineer’s estimate prepared by the Port for the cost of the public works construction contract(s) to be procured for the project in question exceeds $250,000.; and

2.2.2 The Parties understand that the Port may at any time, and at its sole discretion, determine to build segments of the Project under this Agreement which were not currently proposed, or to modify or not to build any one or more particular segments proposed to be covered. It is understood by the Parties that the Port may at any time, and at its sole discretion, add additional projects under this Agreement not otherwise covered by this Agreement.

Section 2.3 Exclusions: Items specifically excluded from the Scope of this Agreement include the following:

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

2.3.2 Equipment and machinery operated by the Port;

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

2.3.4 All employees of the Port, Community Workforce Coordinator and his Labor Compliance team, design and engineering teams (including, but not limited to architects
engineers and master planners), information technology professionals/consultants (i.e. software programming, etc.), or any other consultants for the Port (including, but not limited to, project managers and construction managers and their employees not engaged in Project Work) and their sub-consultants, and other employees of professional service organizations, not performing manual labor within the scope of this Agreement; provided, however, that it is understood and agreed that Building/Construction Inspector and Field Soils and Materials Testers (Inspectors) are a covered craft under the CWA. This inclusion applies to the scope of work defined in the State of California Wage Determination for said Craft. Every Inspector performing under the Wage classification of Building/Construction Inspector and Field Soils and Material Testers under a professional services agreement of a construction contract shall be bound to all applicable requirements of the CWA. Project Work as defined by this Agreement shall be performed pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement regardless of the manner in which the work was awarded;

2.3.5 Any work performed on or near or leading to or into a site of work covered by this Agreement and undertaken by state, county, city or other governmental bodies, or their Contractors; or by public utilities, or their Contractors; and/or by the Port or its Contractors (for work for which is not within the scope of this Agreement);

2.3.6 Off-site maintenance of leased equipment and on-site supervision of such work;

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

2.3.8 Non-construction support services contracted by the Port, Community Workforce Coordinator, or Contractor in connection with this Project;

2.3.9 Off-site laboratory work for testing;

2.3.10 Warranty and service work, including work by employees of a manufacturer or vendor that is not deemed to be covered work under this CWA and which is necessary to maintain such manufacturer’s or vendor’s warranties or guaranties; If a warranty on the manufacturer’s specialty or technical equipment or systems purchased by the Owner requires that the installation of such specialty or technical equipment or system be performed by the manufacturer’s own personnel or a contractor certified by the manufacturer, and there are no Union signatory contractors certified or authorized by the manufacturer to install and/or perform such work, then such installation shall not be covered under this Agreement. The Prime Contractor shall notify the Unions at the pre-job conference of the use of this provision and shall provide copies of the written warranty that require that the work be performed by the manufacturer’s own personnel or a contractor certified by the manufacturer, to the affected Union. When the warranty does not require installation by the manufacturer’s own personnel or a
contractor certified by the manufacturer, the Unions agree to perform and install such work under the supervision and direction of the manufacturer’s representative; and

2.3.11 The CWA shall be limited to the contracts set forth in this Agreement which are awarded by the Port on or after the Effective Date, and is not intended to, and shall not govern, any construction contracts entered into prior to the Effective Date of this CWA, or after the expiration or termination of the CWA. In addition, in the event the Port does not receive bona fide bids on otherwise covered Project work subject to this Agreement on or before the deadline for receiving such bids from at least two (2) Responsive and Responsible Contractors or the lowest responsive and responsible bid received is in excess of twenty-five percent (25%) of the engineer’s estimate, the Port reserves the right to reject all bids and re-advertise such contract(s) with or without the application of this CWA.

Section 2.4 Awarding of Contracts:

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

2.4.2 It is agreed that all Contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier, who have been awarded contracts for work covered by this Agreement, shall be required to accept and be bound to the terms and conditions of this Community Workforce Agreement, and shall evidence their acceptance by the execution of the Letter of Assent set forth in Attachment “A” hereto, prior to the commencement of work. At the time that any Contractor enters into a subcontract with any subcontractor of any tier providing for the performance on the construction contract, the Contractor shall provide a copy of this Agreement to said subcontractor and shall require the subcontractor, as a part of accepting the award of a construction subcontract, to agree in writing in the form of a Letter of Assent to be bound by each and every provision of this Agreement prior to the commencement of work on the Project. No Contractor or subcontractor shall commence Project Work without having first provided a copy of the Letter of Assent as executed by it to the Community Workforce Coordinator and to the Council forty-eight (48) hours before the commencement of Project Work, or within forty-eight (48) hours after the award of Project Work to that Contractor (or subcontractor), whichever occurs later.

Section 2.5 Coverage Exception: This Agreement shall not apply if the Port receives funding or assistance from any Federal, State, local or other public entity for the Construction Contract if a requirement, condition or other term of receiving that funding or assistance, at the time of the awarding of the contract, is that the Port not require, bidders, contractors, subcontractors or other persons or entities to enter into an agreement with one or more labor organizations such as this Agreement or enter into an agreement that contains any of the terms set forth herein in this Agreement. The Port agrees that it will act in good faith to make every effort to establish the enforcement of this Agreement with any governmental agency or granting authority.

Section 2.6 Master Labor Agreements:
2.6.1 The provisions of this Agreement, including the Master Labor Agreements (hereinafter “MLAs”), as such may be changed from time-to-time and which are incorporated herein by reference, shall apply to the work covered by this Agreement. This Agreement is not intended to supersede the MLAs between any of the Employers performing construction work on the Project and a Union signatory thereto except to the extent the provisions of this Agreement are inconsistent with such MLAs, in which event the provisions of this Agreement shall apply. However, such does not apply to work performed under the National Cooling Tower Agreement, the National Stack Agreement, the National Transit Division Agreement (NTD), work within the jurisdiction of the International Union of Elevator Constructors, and all instrument calibration and loop checking work performed under the terms of the UA/IBEW Joint National Agreement for Instrument and Control Systems Technicians except that Articles dealing with Work Stoppages and Lock-Outs, Work Assignments and Jurisdictional Disputes, and Settlement of Grievances and Disputes shall apply to such work. Where a subject is covered by the provisions of a MLA and not covered by this Agreement, the provisions of the MLA shall apply. It is specifically agreed that no later agreement shall be deemed to have precedence over this Agreement unless signed by all Parties signatory hereto who are then currently employed or represented at the Project. Any dispute as to the applicable source between this Agreement and any MLA for determining the wages, hours of working conditions of employees on this Project shall be resolved under the procedures established in Article 9.

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

Section 2.7 Binding Signatories Only: This Agreement shall only be binding on the signatory Parties hereto, and shall not apply to the parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, or other ventures of any such Party.
Section 2.8 Other Port Work: This Agreement shall be limited to the construction work within the Scope of this Agreement including, specifically, site preparation and related demolition work, and new construction and major rehabilitation work referenced in Section 2.2 above. Nothing contained herein shall be interpreted to prohibit, restrict, or interfere with the performance of any other operation, work or function not covered by this Agreement, which may be performed by Port employees or contracted for by the Port for its own account, on its property or in and around a Project site.

Section 2.9 Separate Liability: It is understood that the liability of the Contractor(s) and the liability of the separate Unions under this Agreement shall be several and not joint. The Unions agree that this Agreement does not have the effect of creating any joint employment status between or among the Port or Community Workforce Coordinator and/or any Contractor.

Section 2.10 Completed Project Work: As areas of Project Work are accepted by the Port, this Agreement shall have no further force or effect on such items or areas except where the Contractor is directed by the Port or its representatives to engage in repairs, modification, checkout and/or warranties functions required by its contract(s) with the Port.

ARTICLE 3
UNION RECOGNITION AND EMPLOYMENT

Section 3.1 Recognition: The Contractor recognizes the Council and the Unions as the exclusive bargaining representative for the employees engaged in Project Work.

Section 3.2 Contractor Selection of Employees: The Contractor shall have the right to determine the competency of all employees, the duties of such employees within their craft jurisdiction, and shall have the sole responsibility for selecting employees to be laid off. The Contractor shall also have the right to reject any applicant referred by a Union for any reason, subject to any reporting pay required under the appropriate MLA; provided, however, that such right is exercised in good faith and not for the purpose of avoiding the Contractor’s commitment to employ appropriately qualified and skilled workers through the procedures endorsed in this Agreement.

Section 3.3 Referral Procedures:

3.3.1 For signatory Unions now having a job referral system contained in a MLA, the Contractor agrees to comply with such system and it shall be used exclusively by such Contractor, except as modified by this Agreement. Such job referral system will be operated in a nondiscriminatory manner and in full compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations which require equal employment opportunities and non-discrimination. All of the foregoing hiring procedures, including related practices affecting apprenticeship, shall be operated so as to consider the goals of the Port to encourage employment of Port residents and utilization of small local businesses on the Project, and to facilitate the ability of all Contractors to meet their employment needs.
3.3.2 The Unions will exert their best efforts to recruit and refer sufficient numbers of skilled craft workers to fulfill the labor requirements of the Contractor, including specific employment obligations to which the Contractor may be legally and/or contractually obligated; and to refer apprentices as requested to develop a larger, skilled workforce. The Unions will work with their affiliated regional and national unions, and jointly with the Community Workforce Coordinator and others designated by the Port, to identify and refer competent craft persons as needed for Project Work, and to identify and hire individuals, particularly residents of the Port, for entrance into Joint Labor/Management apprenticeship programs, or to participation in other identified programs and procedures to assist individuals in qualifying and becoming eligible for such apprenticeship programs, all maintained to increase the available supply of skilled craft personnel for Project Work and future construction work to be undertaken by the Port.

3.3.3 The Union shall not knowingly refer an employee currently employed by a Contractor on Project Work to any other Contractor.

Section 3.4 Non-Discrimination in Referral, Employment, and Contracting: The Unions and Contractors agree that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in hiring and dispatching on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, national origin, age, membership in a labor organization, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, or disability. Further, it is recognized that the Port has certain policies, programs, and goals for the utilization of local small business enterprises. The Parties shall jointly endeavor to assure that these commitments are fully met, and that any provisions of this Agreement which may appear to interfere within a local and small business enterprises successfully bidding for work within the scope of this Agreement shall be carefully reviewed, and adjustments made as may be appropriate and agreed upon among the Parties, to ensure full compliance with the spirit and letter of the Port’s policies and commitment to its goals for the significant utilization of local and small businesses as direct Contractors or suppliers for Project Work.

Section 3.5 Employment of Port Area Residents:

3.5.1 The Unions and Employers agree that, to the maximum extent allowed by law, and as long as they possess the requisite skills and qualifications, the Unions will exert their best efforts to refer and/or recruit sufficient numbers of skilled craft “Local Residents” as defined herein, to fulfill the requirements of the Employers. In recognition of the fact that the Port and the communities surrounding Project Work will be impacted by the construction of the Project, the parties agree to support the hiring of workers from the residents of these surrounding areas (“Area Residents”), as well as Veterans. Towards that end, the Unions agree that they will exert their best efforts to encourage and provide referrals and utilization of qualified workers:

3.5.1.1 First, Area Residents residing in those first-tier zip codes which cover the City of Oxnard and the City of Port Hueneme, as reflected on the attached list of zip codes as reflected on Attachment “B”, as well as Veterans, regardless of where the veterans reside;

3.5.1.2 If the Unions cannot provide the Employers in the attainment of a sufficient number of qualified workers from paragraph 3.5.1.1, above, the Unions will exert their
best efforts to then recruit and identify for referral qualified workers residing within the County of Ventura.

3.5.1.3 If the Unions still have not provided the Employers in the attainment of a sufficient number of qualified workers from paragraphs 3.5.1.1 and 3.5.1.2, above, the Unions will then exert their best efforts to recruit and identify for referral qualified workers residing within Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

3.5.1.4 Qualified workers residing within any of these three (3) areas described above, as well as Veterans, regardless of where they reside, shall be referred to as Local Residents.

3.5.2 A goal of 30% of all of the construction labor hours worked on the Project shall be from Local Residents. To facilitate the dispatch of Local Residents, Contractors will be required to utilize the Craft Employee Request Form whenever they are requesting the referral of any employee from a Union referral list for any Project Work, a sample of which is attached as Attachment “C.”

3.5.3 The Community Workforce Coordinator shall work with the Unions and Contractors in the administration of this Local Resident participation goal; and the Contractors and Unions shall cooperate by maintaining adequate records to demonstrate to the Community Workforce Coordinator that such priorities and goals have been pursued.

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

Section 3.6 Core Employees:

3.6.1 Except as otherwise provided in a Master Labor Agreement to which the Contractor is signatory, Contractors may employ, as needed, first, a member of his core workforce, then an employee through a referral from the appropriate Union hiring hall, then a second core employee, then a second employee through the referral system, and so on until a maximum of three (3) core employees are employed, thereafter, all additional employees in the affected trade or craft shall be requisitioned from the craft hiring hall in accordance with Section 3.3.1. In the laying off of employees, the number of core employees shall not exceed one-half plus one of the work-force for an Employer with six (6) or fewer employees, assuming the remaining employees are qualified to undertake the work available. This provision applies only to Contractors who are not directly signatory to a current Master Labor Agreement for the craft worker in its employ and is not intended to limit the transfer provisions of the Master Labor Agreement of any trade. As part of this process, and in order to facilitate the contract administration procedures, as well as appropriate fringe benefit fund coverage, all Contractors shall require their core employees and any other persons employed other than through the referral process, to register with the appropriate Union hiring hall, if any, prior to their first day of employment at a Project site.
3.6.2 The core work force is comprised of those employees whose names appeared on the Contractor’s active payroll for sixty (60) of the one hundred (100) working days immediately before award of Project Work to the Contractor; who possess any license required by state or federal law for the Project Work to be performed; who have the ability to safely perform the basic functions of the applicable trade; who have worked at least two-thousand (2,000) hours in the construction craft in which they are employed, during the prior four (4) years; and who are Local Residents.

3.6.3 Prior to each Contractor performing any work on the Project, each Contractor shall provide a list of his core employees to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council. Failure to do so will prohibit the Contractor from using any core employees. Upon request by any Party to this Agreement, the Contractor hiring any core employee shall provide satisfactory proof (i.e., payroll records, quarterly tax records, driver’s license, voter registration, postal address and such other documentation) evidencing the core employee’s qualification as a core employee to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council.

Section 3.7 Helmets to Hardhats: The Employers and the Unions recognize a desire to facilitate the entry into the building and construction trades of veterans who are interested in careers in the building and construction industry. The employers and Unions agree to utilize the services of the Center for Military Recruitment, Assessment and Veterans Employment (hereinafter “Center”) and the Center’s “Helmets to Hardhats” program to serve as a resource for preliminary orientation, assessment of construction aptitude, referral to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, counseling and mentoring, support network, employment opportunities and other needs as identified by the Parties. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “Eligible Veteran” shall have the same meaning as the term “veteran” as defined under Title 5, Section 2108(1) of the United States Code as the same may be amended or re-codified from time to time. It shall be the responsibility of each qualified Port resident to provide the Unions with proof of his/her status as an Eligible Veteran.

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

Section 3.8 Time for Referral: If any Union’s registration and referral system does not fulfill the requirements for specific classifications requested by any Contractor within forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), that Contractor may use employment sources other than the Union registration and referral services and may employ applicants meeting such standards from any other available source. The Contractors shall inform the Union of any applicants hired from other sources within forty-eight (48) hours of such applicant being hired, and such applicants shall register with the appropriate hiring hall, if any, prior to commencing work on the Project.

Section 3.9 Lack of Referral Procedure: If a signatory Union does not have a job referral system as set forth in Section 3.3 above, the Contractors shall give the Union equal opportunity
to refer applicants. The Contractors shall notify the Union of employees so hired, as set forth in Section 3.5.

Section 3.10 Union Membership: No employee covered by this Agreement shall be required to join any Union as a condition of being employed, or remaining employed, for the completion of Project Work; provided, however, that any employee who is a member of the referring Union at the time of referral shall maintain that membership in good standing while employed under this Agreement. All employees shall, however, he required to comply with the union security provisions of the applicable MLA, for the period during which they are performing on-site Project Work to the extent, as permitted by law, of rendering payment of an amount equal to the applicable monthly window and working dues uniformly required for membership in the Union.

Section 3.11 Individual Seniority: Except as provided in Section 4.3, individual seniority shall not be recognized or applied to employees working on the Project; provided, however, that group and/or classification seniority in a Union’s MLA, as of the effective date of this Agreement shall be recognized for purposes of layoffs.

Section 3.12 Foremen: The selection and number of craft foreman and/or general foreman shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. All foremen shall take orders exclusively from the designated Contractor representatives. Craft foreman shall be designated as working foreman at the request of the Contractors.

ARTICLE 4
UNION ACCESS AND STEWARDS

Section 4.1 Access to Project Sites: Authorized representatives of the Union shall have reasonable access to Project Work, provided that they do not interfere with the work of employees and further provided that such representatives fully comply with posted visitor, security, and safety rules and other standard Port procedures.

Section 4.2 Stewards:

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

4.2.2 In addition to his/her work as an employee, the steward should have the right to receive, but not to solicit, complaints or grievances and to discuss and assist in the adjustment of the same with the employee’s appropriate supervisor. Each steward should be concerned only with the employees of the steward’s Contractor and, if applicable, subcontractor(s), and not with the employees of any other Contractor. A Contractor will not discriminate against the steward in the proper performance of his/her Union duties.
4.2.3 When a Contractor has multiple, non-contiguous work locations at one site, the Contractor may request, and the Union shall appoint such additional working stewards as the Contractor requests to provide independent coverage of one or more such locations. In such cases, a steward may not service more than one work location without the approval of the Contractor.

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

Section 4.3 Steward Layoff/Discharge: The relevant Contractor agrees to notify the appropriate Union twenty-four (24) hours before the layoff of a steward, except in the case of disciplinary discharge for just cause. If the steward is protected against such layoff by the provisions of the applicable MLA, such provisions shall be recognized when the steward possesses the necessary qualifications to perform the remaining work. In any case in which the steward is discharged or disciplined for just cause, the appropriate Union will be notified immediately by the Contractor, and such discharge or discipline shall not become final (subject to any later filed grievance) until twenty-four (24) hours after such notice has been given.

Section 4.4 Employees on Non-Project Work: On work where the personnel of the Port may be working in close proximity to the construction activities covered by this Agreement, the Union agrees that the Union representatives, stewards, and individual workers will not interfere with the Port personnel, or with personnel employed by the any other employer not a Party to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 5
WAGES AND BENEFITS

Section 5.1 Wages: All employees covered by this Agreement shall be classified in accordance with work performed and paid by the Contractors the hourly wage rates for those classifications in compliance with the applicable prevailing wage rate determination established pursuant to applicable law. If a prevailing wage rate increases under law, the Contractor shall pay that rate as of its effective date under the law as applicable. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement does not relieve Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the Master Labor Agreements from paying all wages set forth in such Agreements.

Section 5.2 Benefits:

5.2.1 Contractors shall pay contributions to the established employee benefit funds in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA, and make all employee authorized deductions in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA; provided, however, that such contributions shall not exceed the contribution amounts set forth in the applicable prevailing wage determination. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the Master Labor Agreements are required to make all contributions set forth in those Master Labor Agreements without reference to the forgoing. Bona fide benefit plans with joint trustees or authorized employee deduction programs established or negotiated under the
applicable MLA, or by the Parties to this Agreement during the life of this Agreement may be added.

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

5.2.3 Each Contractor and subcontractor is required to certify to the Community Workforce Coordinator that it has paid all benefit contributions due and owing to the appropriate Trust(s) prior to the receipt of its final payment and/or retention. Further, upon timely notification by a Union to the Community Workforce Coordinator, the Community Workforce Coordinator shall work with any prime Contractor or subcontractor who is delinquent in payments to assure that proper benefit contributions are made, to the extent of requesting the Port or the prime Contractor to withhold payments otherwise due such Contractor, until such contributions have been made or otherwise guaranteed.

Section 5.3 Wage Premiums: Wage premiums, including but not limited to pay based on height of work, hazard pay, scaffold pay, and special skills shall not be applicable to work under this Agreement, except to the extent provided for in any applicable prevailing wage determination.

Section 5.4 Compliance with Prevailing Wage Laws: The Parties agree that the Community Workforce Coordinator shall monitor the compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all applicable federal and state prevailing wage laws and regulations, and that such monitoring shall include Contractors engaged in what would otherwise be Project Work but for the exceptions to Agreement coverage in Section 2.2. All complaints regarding possible prevailing wage violations shall be referred to the Community Workforce Coordinator for processing, investigation, and resolution, and if not resolved within thirty (30) calendar days, may be referred by any party to the state labor commissioner.

ARTICLE 6
WORK STOPPAGES AND LOCK-OUTS

Section 6.1 No Work Stoppages or Disruptive Activity: The Council and the Unions agree that neither they, and each of them, nor their respective officers or agents or representatives, shall incite or encourage, condone or participate in any strike, walk-out, slow-down, picketing, observing picket lines or other activity of any nature or kind whatsoever, for any cause or dispute whatsoever with respect to or in any way related to Project Work, or which interferes with or otherwise disrupts Project Work, or with respect to or related to the Port or Contractors or subcontractors, including, but not limited to economic strikes, unfair labor practice strikes, safety strikes, sympathy strikes and jurisdictional strikes whether or not the underlying dispute is subject to arbitration. Any such actions by the Council, or Unions, or their members, agents, representatives or the employees they represent shall constitute a violation of this Agreement.
The Council and the Union shall take all steps necessary within their ability to obtain compliance with this.

Section 6.2 Employee Violations: The Contractor may discharge any employee violating Section 6.1 above and any such employee will not be eligible for rehire under this Agreement.

Section 6.3 Standing to Enforce: The Port, the Community Workforce Coordinator, or any Contractor affected by an alleged violation of Section 6.1 shall have standing and the right to enforce the obligations established therein.

Section 6.4 Expiration of MLAs: If the MLA, or any local, regional, and other applicable collective bargaining agreements expire during the term of the Project, the Union(s) agree that there shall be no work disruption of any kind as described in Section 6.1 above as a result of the expiration of any such agreement(s) having application on this Project and/or failure of the involved Parties to that agreement to reach a new contract. Terms and conditions of employment established and set at the time of bid shall remain established and set. Otherwise to the extent that such agreement does expire and the Parties to that agreement have failed to reach concurrence on a new contract, work will continue on the Project on one of the following two (2) options, both of which will be offered by the Unions involved to the Contractors affected:

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

6.4.2 Each of the Unions with a contract expiring must offer to continue working on the Project under all the terms of the expiring contract, including the wage rates and employer contribution rates to the employee benefit funds, if the Contractor affected by that expiring contract agrees to the following retroactive provisions: if a new MLA, local, regional or other applicable labor agreement for the industry having application at the Project is ratified and signed during the term of this Agreement and if such new labor agreement provides for retroactive wage increases, then each affected Contractor shall pay to its employees who performed work covered by this Agreement at the Project during the hiatus between the effective dates of such expired and new labor agreements, an amount equal to any such retroactive wage increase established by such new labor agreement, retroactive to whatever date is provided by the new labor agreement for such increase to go into effect, for each employee’s hours worked on the Project during the retroactive period. All Parties agree that such affected Contractors shall be solely responsible for any retroactive payment to its employees.

6.4.3 Some Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the terms of the interim agreement option offered under paragraph 6.4.1, above and other Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the retroactivity option offered under paragraph
6.4.2, above. To decide between the two options, Contractors will be given one week after the particular labor agreement has expired or one week after the Union has personally delivered to the Contractors in writing its specific offer of terms of the interim agreement pursuant to paragraph (a) above, whichever is the later date. If the Contractor fails to timely select one of the two options, the Contractor shall be deemed to have selected the retroactivity option offered under paragraph 6.4.2, above.

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

Section 6.6   Best Efforts to End Violations:

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

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

Section 6.7   Expedited Enforcement Procedure: Any party, including the Port, which is an intended beneficiary of this Article, or the Community Workforce Coordinator, may institute the following procedures, in lieu of or in addition to any other action at law or equity, when a breach of Section 6.1, 6.5 or Section 7.3 is alleged.

6.7.1 The party invoking this procedure shall notify the arbitrator, who has been selected by the negotiating Parties pursuant to this Agreement. If the arbitrator is unavailable at any time, the party invoking this procedure shall notify one of the alternates selected by the Parties, in that order on an alternating basis. Notice to the arbitrator shall be by the most expeditious means available, with notices to the Parties alleged to be in violation, and to the Council if it is a Union alleged to be in violation. For purposes of this Article, written notice may be given by telegram, facsimile, hand-delivery or overnight mail and will be deemed effective upon receipt.

6.7.2 Upon receipt of said notice, the arbitrator named above or his/her alternate shall sit and hold a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours if it is contended that the violation still
exists, but not sooner than twenty-four (24) hours after notice has been dispatched to the Council of the involved Union(s) and/or Contractor.

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE 7

WORK ASSIGNMENTS AND JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES

Section 7.1 Assignment of Work: The assignment of Project Work will be solely the responsibility of the Employer performing the work involved; and such work assignments will be in accordance with the Plan for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes in the Construction Industry (the “Plan”) or any successor Plan.
Section 7.2  The Plan: All jurisdictional disputes on this Project between or among the building and construction trades Unions and the Employers parties to this Agreement, shall be settled and adjusted according to the present Plan established by the Building and Construction Trades Department or any other plan or method of procedure that may be adopted in the future by the Building and Construction Trades Department. Decisions rendered shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Employers and Unions parties to this Agreement.

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

Section 7.3  No Work Disruption Over Jurisdiction: All jurisdictional disputes shall be resolved without the occurrence of any strike, work stoppage, or slow-down of any nature, and the Employer’s assignment shall be adhered to until the dispute is resolved. Individuals violating this section shall be subject to immediate discharge.

Section 7.4  Pre-Job Conferences: As provided in Article 14, each Employer will conduct a pre-job conference with the Council prior to commencing work. The Primary Employer and the Owner will be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish. Pre-job conferences for different Employers may be held together.

Section 7.5  Resolution of Jurisdictional Disputes: If any actual or threatened strike, sympathy strike, work stoppage, slow down, picketing, hand-billing or otherwise advising the public that a labor dispute exists, or interference with the progress of Project Work by reason of a jurisdictional dispute or disputes occurs, the Parties shall exhaust the expedited procedures set forth in the Plan, if such procedures are in the plan then currently in effect, or otherwise as in Article 6 above.

ARTICLE 8
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Section 8.1  Contractor and Port Rights: The Port and the Contractor retains the full and exclusive authority for the management of its operations, as set forth in this Article, unless expressly limited or required by the other Articles of this Agreement or an MLA. In addition to the following and other rights of the Contractors enumerated in this Agreement, the Contractors expressly reserve their management rights and all the rights conferred upon them by law. The Contractor’s rights include, but are not limited to, the right to:

8.1.1  Plan, direct and control operations of all work;
8.1.2 Hire, promote, transfer and layoff their own employees, respectively, as deemed appropriate to satisfy work and/or skill requirements;

8.1.3 Promulgate and require all employees to observe reasonable job rules and security and safety regulations;

8.1.4 Discharge, suspend or discipline their own employees for just cause;

8.1.5 Utilize, in accordance with Port approval, any work methods, procedures or techniques, and select, use and install any types or kinds of materials, apparatus or equipment, regardless of source of manufacture or construction; assign and schedule work at their discretion; and

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

Section 8.2 Specific Port Rights: In addition to the following and other rights of the Port enumerated in this Agreement, the Port expressly reserves its management rights and all the rights conferred on it by law and the contracts ultimately awarded to the Contractors by the Port. The Port’s rights (and those of the Community Workforce Coordinator on its behalf) include but are not limited to the right to:

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

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

8.2.3 At its sole option, terminate, delay and/or suspend any and all portions of the Project Work at any time; prohibit some or all work on certain days or during certain hours of the day to accommodate the ongoing operations of the Port’s facilities and/or to mitigate the effect of ongoing Project Work on businesses and residents in the neighborhood of the Project site; and/or require such other operational or schedule changes it deems necessary, in its sole judgment, to effectively maintain its primary mission and remain a good neighbor to those in the area of its facilities. (In order to permit the Contractors and Unions to make appropriate scheduling plans, the Port will provide the Community Workforce Coordinator, and the affected Contractor(s) and Un.on(s) with reasonable notice of any changes it requires pursuant to this section; provided, however, that if notice is not provided in time to advise employees not to report for work, show-up pay shall be due pursuant to the provision of Article 6, Section 6.6);

8.2.4 Approve any work methods, procedures and techniques used by Contractors whether or not these methods, procedures or techniques are part of industry practices or customs; and
8.2.5 Investigate and process complaints, through its Community Workforce Coordinator, in the matter set forth in Articles 6 and 9.

Section 8.3 Use of Materials: There should be no limitations or restriction by Union upon a Contractor’s choice of materials or design, nor, regardless of source or location, upon the full use and utilization, of equipment, machinery, packaging, precast, prefabricated, prefinished, or preassembled materials, tools or other labor saving devices, subject to the application of the State Public Contracts and Labor Codes as required by law in reference to offsite construction. Generally, the onsite installation or application of such items shall be performed by the craft having jurisdiction over such work. The Port and its Community Workforce Coordinator shall advise all Contractors of, and enforce as appropriate, the off-site application of the prevailing wage law as it affects Project Work.

Section 8.4 Special Equipment, Warranties and Guarantees:

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

8.4.2 If any disagreement between the Contractor and the Unions concerning the methods of implementation or installation of any equipment, or device or item, or method of work, arises, or whether a particular part or pre-assembled item is a standardized or catalog part or item, the work will proceed as directed by the Contractor and the Parties shall immediately consult over the matter. If the disagreement is not resolved, the affected Union(s) shall have the right to proceed through the procedures set forth in Article 9.

ARTICLE 9
SETTLEMENT OF GRIEVANCES AND DISPUTES

Section 9.1 Cooperation and Harmony on Site:

9.1.1 This Agreement is intended to establish and foster continued close cooperation between management and labor. The Council shall assign a representative to this Project for the purpose of assisting the Unions, and working with the Community Workforce Coordinator, together with the Contractors, to complete the construction of the Project economically, efficiency, continuously and without any interruption, delays or work stoppages.

9.1.2 The Community Workforce Coordinator, the Contractors, Unions, and employees collectively and individually, realize the importance to all Parties of maintaining continuous and uninterrupted performance Project Work, and agree to resolve disputes in accordance with the grievance provisions set forth in this Article or, as appropriate, those of Article 6 or 7.
9.1.3 The Community Workforce Coordinator shall oversee the processing of grievances under this Article and Articles 7, including the scheduling and arrangements of facilities for meetings, selection of the arbitrator from the agreed-upon panel to hear the case, and any other administrative matters necessary to facilitate the timely resolution of any dispute; provided, however, it is the responsibility of the principal parties to any pending grievance to insure the time limits and deadlines are met.

Section 9.2 Processing Grievances: Any questions arising out of and during the term of this Agreement involving its interpretation and application, which includes applicable provisions of the MLAs, but not jurisdictional disputes or alleged violations of Section 6.1 and 6.5 and similar provisions, shall be considered a grievance and subject to resolution under the following procedures.

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

Union or Contractor Grievances: Should the Union(s) or any Contractor have a dispute with the other Party(ies) and, if after conferring within ten (10) working days after the disputing Party knew or should have known of the facts or occurrence giving rise to the dispute, a settlement is not reached within five (5) working days, the dispute shall be reduced to writing and processed to Step 2 in the same manner as outlined in 1(a) above for the adjustment of an employee complaint.

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

Step 3. (a) If the grievance shall have been submitted but not resolved under Step 2, either the Union or Contractor Party may request in writing to the Community Workforce Coordinator (with copy (ies) to the other Party (ies)) within seven (7) calendar days after the initial Step 2 meeting, that the grievance be submitted to an arbitrator selected from the mutually agreed upon list developed by the Joint Committee described in Article 15 below, on a rotational
basis. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all Parties and the fee and expenses of such arbitrations shall be borne equally by the involved Contractor(s) and the involved Union(s).

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

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

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

Section 9.4 Notice: The Community Workforce Coordinator (and the Port, in the case of any grievance regarding the Scope of this Agreement) shall be notified by the involved Contractor of all actions at Steps 2 and 3, and further, the Community Workforce Coordinator shall, upon its own request, be permitted to participate fully as a party in all proceedings at such steps.

ARTICLE 10
REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

Section 10.1 Compliance with All Laws: The Council and all Unions, Contractors, subcontractors and their employed shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, ordinances and regulations including, but not limited to, those relating to safety and health, employment and applications for employment. All employees shall comply with the safety regulations established by the Port, the Community Workforce Coordinator or the Contractor. Employees must promptly report any injuries or accidents to a supervisor.

Section 10.2 Monitoring Compliance: The Parties agree that the Port shall require, and that the Community Workforce Coordinator and Council shall monitor, compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all federal and state laws regulation that, from time to time may apply to Project Work. It shall be the responsibility of both the Council and the Community Workforce Coordinator (on behalf of the Port) to investigate or monitor compliance with these various laws and regulations. The Council may recommend to the Community Workforce Coordinator and/or the Port procedures to encourage and enforce compliance with these laws and regulations.

Section 10.3 Prevailing Wage Compliance: The Council or Union shall refer all complaints regarding any potential prevailing wage violation to the Community Workforce Coordinator, who shall process, investigate and resolve such complaints or else report them to the State Labor
Commissioner, consistent with Article 5, Section 5.4. The Council or Union, as appropriate, shall be advised in a timely manner with regard to the facts and resolution, if any, of any complaint. It is understood that this Section does not restrict any individual rights as established under the State Labor Code, including the rights of an individual to file a complaint with the State Labor Commissioner or to file a grievance for such violation under the grievance procedure set forth in this Agreement.

Section 10.4 Violations of Law: Based upon a finding of violation by the Port of a federal and state law, and upon notice to the Contractor that it or its subcontractors are in such violation, the Port, in the absence of the Contractor or subcontractor remedying such violation, shall take such action as it is permitted by law or contract to encourage that Contractor to come into compliance, including, but not limited to, assessing fines and penalties, and/or removing the offending Contractor from Project Work. Additionally, in accordance with the Agreement between the Port and the Contractor, the Port may cause the Contractor to remove from Project Work any subcontractor who is in violation of state or federal law.

ARTICLE 11
SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF PERSON AND PROPERTY

Section 11.1 Safety:

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

11.1.2 Employees shall be bound by the safety, security and visitor rules established by the Contractor, the Community Workforce Coordinator and/or the Port. These rules will be published and posted. An employee’s failure to satisfy his/her obligations under this section will subject him/her to discipline, up to and including discharge.

11.1.3 The Parties to this Agreement adopt the Tri Counties Building and Construction Trades Council Approved Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment “D,” and which shall be the policy and procedure utilized under this Agreement.

Section 11.2 Suspension of Work for Safety: A Contractor may suspend all or a portion of the job to protect the life and safety of employees. In such cases, employees will be compensated only for the actual time worked; provided, however, that where the Contractor requests employees to remain at the site and be available for work, the employees will be compensated for stand-by time at their basic hourly rate of pay.

Section 11.3 Water and Sanitary Facilities: The Contractor shall provide adequate supplies of drinking water and sanitary facilities for all employees as required by state law or regulation.

ARTICLE 12
TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE

Travel expenses, travel time, subsistence allowances, zone rates and parking reimbursements shall be paid in accordance with the applicable MLA unless superseded by the applicable prevailing wage determination.

ARTICLE 13
APPRENTICES

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

Section 13.2 Use of Apprentices:

13.2.1 Apprentices used on Projects under this Agreement shall be registered in Joint Labor Management Apprenticeship Programs approved by the State of California and may be used in accordance with the requirements of the Labor Code and all applicable laws. Apprentices may comprise up to thirty percent (30%) of each craft’s work force at any time, unless the standards of the applicable joint apprenticeship committee confirmed by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (“DAS”), establish a lower or higher maximum percentage, and where such is the case, the applicable Union should use its best efforts with the Joint Labor Management apprenticeship committee and, if necessary, the DAS to permit up to thirty percent (30%) apprentices on the Project.

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

13.2.3 The Parties agree that apprentices will not be dispatched to Contractors working under this Agreement unless there is a journeyman working on the project where the apprentice is to be employed who is qualified to assist and oversee the apprentice’s progress through the program in which he is participating.
13.2.4 All apprentices shall work under the direct supervision of a journeyman from the trade in which the apprentice is indentured. A journeyman shall be defined as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 8 [apprenticeship], Section 205, which defines a journeyman as a person who has either completed an accredited apprenticeship in his or her craft, or has completed the equivalent of an apprenticeship in length and content of work experience and all other requirements in the craft which has workers classified as journeyman in the apprenticeship occupation. Should a question arise as to a journeyman’s qualification under this subsection, the Contractor shall provide adequate proof evidencing the worker’s qualification as a journeyman to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council.

13.2.5 The Parties recognize and support the employment of apprentices on Covered Projects, as well as the Contractors’ compliance with the state Labor Code, as well as the California Code of Regulations.

ARTICLE 14
PRE-JOB CONFERENCES

Each Prime Contractor will participate in a pre-job conference with the Unions not later than seven (7) calendar days prior to commencing work for each stage of the Project. The pre-job conference shall be facilitated by the Community Workforce Coordinator. Each Contractor conducting a pre-job shall notify the Council and all subcontractors of all tiers, who shall participate in such conferences, ten (10) days in advance of all such conferences. The purpose of the conference will be to, among other things, determine craft manpower needs, schedule of work for the contract and project work rules/owner rules. The Council, the Community Workforce Coordinator, and the Port shall be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish. All work assignments shall be disclosed by the Prime Contractor and all Contractors at the pre-job conference. Should there be Project Work that was not previously discussed at the pre-job conference, or additional project work be added, the contractors performing such work will conduct a separate pre-job conference for such newly included work. Any Union in disagreement with the proposed assignment shall notify the Contractor of its position in writing, with a copy to the Community Workforce Coordinator, within seven (7) calendar days thereafter. Within seven (7) calendar days after the period allowed for Union notices of disagreement with the Contractor’s proposed assignments, but prior to the commencement of any work, the Contractor shall make final assignments in writing with copies to the Council and to the Project Labor Coordinator.

ARTICLE 15
LABOR/MANAGEMENT COOPERATION

Section 15.1 Joint Committee: The Parties to this Agreement shall establish a six (6) person Joint Administrative Committee (JAC). This JAC shall be comprised of three (3) representatives selected by the Port and three (3) representatives selected by the Council to monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Each representative shall designate an alternate who shall serve in his or her absence for any purpose contemplated by this Agreement.
Section 15.2  Functions of Joint Committee: The Committee shall meet on a schedule to be determined by the Committee or at the call of the joint chairs, to discuss the administration of the Agreement, the progress of the Project, general labor management problems that may arise, and any other matters consistent with this Agreement. Substantive grievances or disputes arising under Articles 6, 7 or 9 shall not be reviewed or discussed by this Committee but shall be processed pursuant to the provisions of the appropriate Article. The Community Workforce Coordinator shall be responsible for the scheduling of the meetings, the preparation of the agenda topics for the meetings, with input from the Unions the Contractors and the Port. Notice of the date, time and place of meetings, shall be given to the Committee members at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. The Port should be notified of the meetings and invited to send a representative(s) to participate. The Community Workforce Coordinator shall prepare quarterly reports on apprentice utilization and the training and employment of Port residents, and a schedule of Project Work and estimated number of craft workers needed. The Committee or an appropriate subcommittee, may review such reports and make any recommendations for improvement, if necessary, including increasing the availability of skilled trades, and the employment of local residents or other individuals who should be assisted with appropriate training to qualify for apprenticeship programs.

ARTICLE 16
SAVINGS AND SEPARABILITY

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

Section 16.2  Effect of Injunctions or Other Court Orders: The Parties recognize the right of the Port to withdraw, at its absolute discretion, the utilization of the Agreement as part of any bid specification should a Court of competent jurisdiction issue any order, or any applicable statute which could result, temporarily or permanently in delay of the bidding, awarding and/or construction on the Project. Notwithstanding such an action by the Port, or such court order or statutory provision, the Parties agree that the Agreement shall remain in full force and the fact on covered Project Work to the maximum extent legally possible.
Section 16.3. Legal Action. The Parties recognize the substantial legal costs (including all attorney's fees and associated disbursements) that might accrue with regard to any legal challenge over the adoption by the Port of this CWA, and related claims directly challenging the legality of this CWA, or a particular section or language that has been adopted herein. In the event of a legal challenge, the Council, on behalf of itself and affiliated Unions, agrees to seek to intervene in the legal action and actively participate in the litigation or other action to defend the legality of the CWA. The failure of the Council to seek to intervene in the legal action and actively participate to defend the legality of the CWA will constitute a material breach of this CWA. In the event the Council is denied leave to intervene in the legal action, the Council shall have its counsel coordinate with the Port's counsel, at the Council's own expense, regarding how the Council can best support the Port's legal position.

ARTICLE 17
WAIVER

A waiver of or a failure to assert any provisions of this Agreement by any or all of the Parties hereto shall not constitute a waiver of such provision for the future. Any such waiver shall not constitute a modification of the Agreement or change in the terms and conditions of the Agreement and shall not relieve, excuse or release any of the Parties from any of their rights, duties or obligations hereunder.

ARTICLE 18
AMENDMENTS

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

ARTICLE 19
DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

Section 19.1 Duration:

19.1.1 This Agreement shall be effective from the date signed by all Parties and shall remain in effect for a period of three (3) years. Any covered Project awarded during the term of this Agreement shall continue to be covered hereunder, until completion of the Project, notwithstanding the expiration date of this Agreement.

19.1.2 This Agreement may be extended by mutual consent of the Port and the Unions for such further periods as the Parties shall agree to.

Section 19.2 Turnover and Final Acceptance of Completed Work:

19.2.1 Construction of any phase, portion, section, or segment of Project Work shall be deemed complete when such phase, portion, section or segment has been turned over to the Port by the Contractor and the Port has accepted such phase, portion, section, or segment. As areas and systems of the Project are inspected and construction-tested and/or approved and accepted
by the Port or third parties with the approval of the Port, the Agreement shall have no further force or effect on such items or areas, except when the Contractor is directed by the Port to engage and repairs or modifications required by its contract(s) with the Port.

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

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

PORT OF HUENEME

By: [Signature]

Dated: 12·10·18

TRI COUNTIES BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

By: [Signature]

Tony Skinner, Executive Secretary

Dated: 12·10·2018
ATTACHMENT A
LETTER OF ASSENT

To be signed by all contractors awarded work covered by the Community Workforce Agreement prior to commencing work.

[Contractor’s Letterhead]
Community Workforce Coordinator

Attn: __________________

Re: Port of Hueneme Community Workforce Agreement - Letter of Assent

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to confirm that [name of company] agrees to be party to and bound by the Port of Hueneme Community Workforce Agreement effective ______, 2018, as such Agreement may, from time to time, be amended by the negotiating parties or interpreted pursuant to its terms. Such obligation to be a party and bound by this Agreement shall extend to all work covered by
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Port of Hueneme

Community Workforce Agreement
ATTACHMENT A
LETTER OF ASSENT

To be signed by all contractors awarded work covered by the Community Workforce Agreement prior to commencing work.

[Contractor’s Letterhead]
Community Workforce Coordinator

Attn: __________________________

Re: Port of Hueneme Community Workforce Agreement - Letter of Assent

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to confirm that [name of company] agrees to be party to and bound by the Port of Hueneme Community Workforce Agreement effective ______, 2018, as such Agreement may, from time to time, be amended by the negotiating parties or interpreted pursuant to its terms. Such obligation to be a party and bound by this Agreement shall extend to all work covered by the Agreement undertaken by this Company on the project and this Company shall require all of its contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier to be similarly bound for all work within the scope of the Agreement by signing and furnishing to you an identical Letter of Assent prior to their commencement of work.

Sincerely,

[Name of Construction Company]

By: ____________________________

Name: __________________________

Title: ____________________________

Contractor State License No. ____________________________

Project: ____________________________

[Copies of this letter must be submitted to the Community Workforce Coordinator and to the Council per Section 2.4.2]
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Local Resident Zip Codes

(Tier 1)
[Zip codes for the cities of Port Hueneme and Oxnard]

(Tier 2)
[County of Ventura]

(Tier 3)
[Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties]
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ATTACHMENT C
PORT OF HUENEME
CRAFT REQUEST FORM

TO THE CONTRACTOR: Please complete and fax this form to the applicable union to request craft workers that fulfill the hiring requirements for this project. After faxing your request, please call the Union to verify receipt and substantiate their capacity to furnish workers as specified below. Please print your Fax Transmission Verification Reports and keep copies for your records.

The Port of Hueneme Community Workforce Agreement establishes a goal that 30% of all of the construction labor hours worked on the Project shall be from qualified workers residing, as well as “Veterans,” regardless of where they reside: First, Area Residents residing in those first-tier zip codes which cover the City of Oxnard and the City of Port Hueneme, as reflected on the attached list of zip codes, second, within Ventura County, third, within Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo. For Dispatch purposes, employees residing within any of these three (3) areas, as well as Veterans, regardless of where they reside, shall be referred to as Local Residents.

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

CONTRACTOR USE ONLY

To: Union Local #_________ Fax#:_______ Date:____________ 
Cc: Community Workforce Coordinator

From: Company:_________________________ Issued By:_________________________
      Contact Phone:_______ Contact Fax:_______

PLEASE PROVIDE ME WITH THE FOLLOWING UNION CRAFT WORKERS.

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TOTAL WORKERS REQUESTED =____________

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

Project Name:_________________________ Site:_________________________ Address:_________________________

Report to:_________________________ On-site Tel:_________________________ On-site Fax:_________________________

Comment or Special Instructions:________________________________________

Port of Hueneme
**UNION USE ONLY**

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

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**WORKER REFERRED**

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

TRI-COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL
APPROVED
DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY

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

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

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

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

4. An employer who elects to implement drug testing pursuant to this Agreement shall require all employees on the Project to be tested. With respect to individuals who become employed on the Project subsequent to the proper implementation of this drug testing program, such test shall be administered upon the commencement of employment on the project, whether by referral from a Union Dispatch Office, transfer from another project, or another method. Individuals who were employed on the project prior to the proper implementation of this drug testing program may only be subjected to testing for the reasons set forth in Paragraph 5(f) (1) through 5(f) (3) of this Policy. Refusal to undergo such testing shall be considered sufficient grounds to deny employment on the project.

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

b. The testing shall be done by a laboratory approved by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), which is chosen by the Employer and the Union.

c. An initial test shall be performed using the Enzyme Multiplied Immunoassay Technique (EMIT). In the event a question or positive result arises from the initial test, a confirmation test must be utilized before action can be taken against the applicant or employee. The confirmation test will be by Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS). Cutoff levels for both the initial test and confirmation test will be those established by the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Confirmed positive samples will be retained by the testing laboratory in secured long-term frozen storage for a minimum of one year. Handling and transportation of each sample must be documented through strict chain of custody procedures.

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

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

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

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

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

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

6. The employers will be allowed to conduct periodic job site drug testing on the Project under the following conditions:

   a. The entire jobsite must be tested, including any employee or subcontractor’s employee who worked on that project three (3) working days before or after the date of the test;

   b. Jobsite testing cannot commence sooner than thirty (30) days after start of the work on the Project;

   c. Prior to start of periodic testing, a business representative will be allowed to conduct an educational period on company time to explain periodic jobsite testing program to affected employees;

   d. Testing shall be conducted by a N.I.D.A. certified laboratory, pursuant to the provisions set forth in Paragraph 5 hereinabove.

   e. Only two periodic tests may be performed in a twelve month period.

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

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

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

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

11. The Employer agrees that results of urine and blood tests performed hereunder will be considered medical records held confidential to the extent permitted or required by law. Such records shall not be released to any persons or entities other than designated Employer representatives and the applicable Union. Such release to the applicable Union shall only be allowed upon the signing of a written release and the information contained therein shall not be used to discourage the employment of the individual applicant or employee on any subsequent occasion.

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

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

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

**APPENDIX A**

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* SAMHSA specified threshold

** A sample reported positive contains the indicated drug at or above the cutoff level for that drug. A negative sample either contains no drug or contains a drug below the cutoff level.

EMIT - Enzyme Immunoassay

CC/MS - Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry
SIDE LETTER OF AGREEMENT
TESTING POLICY FOR DRUG ABUSE

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

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