

Public Works Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 5:00 PM
Crete City Hall
243 E 13th Street
Crete, NE 68333

1. Open Meeting

- In accordance with Nebraska law, a copy of the Open Meetings Act can be found in the back of the Council Chambers.
- Items listed on the agenda may be considered in any order.

2. Roll Call

- Attendance of members will be recorded to determine the presence of a quorum for official actions.

3. Items of Business

- The Committee may discuss or limit discussion on, hear testimony in favor of or in opposition to, or take action to provide a recommendation to the City Council on any matter presented under this title.
- 3.A. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on entering into an agreement with the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool for a financial plan, cost of service, and rate design study for electric rates.
- 3.B. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on entering into a contract with Schemmer Associates for up to \$29,723.80 of professional engineering services related to forming a Railroad Transportation Safety District.
- 3.C. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on entering into a contract with Olsson Associates in the amount of \$334,500 for engineering design services on the new substation.

4. Officers' Reports

- Reports may be given by the Mayor, Officers, Departments, or Councilmembers concerning the current operations of the City.
- No action can be taken on matters presented under this title except to answer any questions or to refer the matter for further action.

5. Adjournment

Disclaimers & Notices

- The Council may enter into closed session to discuss any matter on this agenda when it is determined that a closed session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual (if such individual has not requested a public meeting) or as otherwise allowed by law. Any closed session shall be limited to the subject matter for which the closed session was called. If the motion to close passes, then immediately prior to the closed session the Mayor shall restate on the record the limitation of the subject matter of the closed session.
- The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To report discrimination, contact the City Clerk's office.
- The complete agenda with attachments is available at www.crete.ne.gov.

**AGREEMENT FOR
FINANCIAL PLAN, COST OF SERVICE
AND
RATE DESIGN STUDY
FOR ELECTRIC RATES**

This Agreement for a Financial Plan, Cost of Service and Rate Design Study for Electric Rates is made this _____ day of _____, 20____, between the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool, a non-profit corporation of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter called "NMPP," and the City of Crete, Nebraska, hereinafter called "Municipality."

RECITALS:

NMPP, under the provisions of its Articles of Incorporation, has the authority to enter into and perform contracts with its members.

NMPP has initiated a Financial Plan, Cost of Service and Rate Design Study (Rate Study) designed to provide assistance in certain technical areas related to calculating rates for municipal utility systems for all customer classes and to provide ongoing rate support.

Municipality is a member of NMPP and recognizes the importance of completing a Rate Study.

In consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, NMPP and Municipality agree as follows:

1. TERM

1.1 This Agreement shall become effective upon execution. The term of this Agreement shall begin on the date of execution and terminate two (2) years after the date of the delivery of the documents referred to in Section 2.1.3.6.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

2.1 Responsibilities of NMPP

2.1.1 Questions regarding services under this Agreement should be directed to NMPP's Director of Retail Utility Services and Member Relations, or to such other person as may be designated by NMPP from time to time. NMPP will complete the scope of work of this Agreement typically within ninety (90) days of the receipt of all data requested by NMPP. Such data must be accurate and in a format easily usable by NMPP in order for the scope of work to be done on time. Reports and other document

presentation are delivered to the Municipality as outlined in Section 2.1.3.6.

2.1.2 The Rate Study computer models shall be retained by and become the property of NMPP. The Municipality will receive all tables and charts from the model and may use the Rate Study findings and recommendations at Municipality's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to NMPP.

2.1.3 The Rate Study will include completion by NMPP of the following tasks:

1. Data Collection – NMPP will request data, including but not limited to, customer rate class usage by rate block and revenue billed, and audited and budgeted assets including financial and operating data for the utility as necessary to prepare the Rate Study. This data is to be in an easy to read and organized format. To the extent the requested data is not readily available, NMPP and Municipality will develop and agree upon estimates for the missing data.
2. Develop a Financial Model – NMPP will develop a five-year Financial pro forma model that will provide net-income, target return on facilities investments, minimum cash reserve policy, capital improvements, borrowing, and recommend future rate increases to achieve financial targets.
3. Calculate Revenue Requirements for Test Year to be used in Rate Study – NMPP will calculate Municipality's revenue requirements in a financial pro forma to determine cost of service rate elements to be used in future rate design.
4. Functional Costs – NMPP will assign a function to each expense and each non-retail revenue including, but not limited to, generation, transmission and customer service, as applicable. The items will also be assigned to a sub-category of a function as necessary.

Expenses will be allocated to the various cost classifications based on methodologies that are generally applied to municipal utilities. These allocations will enable NMPP to separately identify and establish cost elements for each rate class provided by the Municipality, including, but not limited to, commodity generation or treatment, transmission, distribution, and customer service and accounting, as applicable.

5. Rate Design – NMPP will design rates using cost elements determined for one or two years to recover adequate revenue for the system and move classes toward cost of service revenue recovery.

NMPP will work with Municipality to develop rates that maintain the financial integrity of each municipal utility system being studied. New rate schedules and ordinances will be drafted by NMPP for approval by Municipality.

6. Present Findings – (a) NMPP will typically within sixty (60) days of receipt of sound data provide a Preliminary Proforma which will present the Financial Plan, first to the Municipality’s staff and then to rate making authority. Such presentations will be typically a combination of electronic mail and telephone and/or video conference presentation. An in-person presentation by NMPP may be scheduled as is agreed to by both Parties. (b) The Final Proforma including draft rate approval documents will be completed by NMPP typically thirty (30) days after direction is provided to NMPP regarding the level of rate adjustments desired as directed by either Municipality’s staff or the rate making authority. If additional trips are necessary for (a) or (b) above or other purposes, the trips will be billed on a time and expense basis.
7. Support – As a part of this Agreement, upon request NMPP will provide to Municipality the following support:
 - A. Review of up to five (5) large customer bills for accuracy.
 - B. Up to ten (10) hours of telephone support to answer rate application questions from Municipality.

2.1.4 The Parties hereby agree that the Rate Study to be provided by NMPP to Municipality pursuant to this Agreement shall include only the following study(ies) as indicated below:

- Electric study
- Water study
- Wastewater study
- Water and Wastewater study
- Trash study
- Natural Gas study

2.2 Responsibilities of Municipality

2.2.1 Municipality shall furnish to NMPP, as requested by NMPP, available cost of serve studies, audited financial reports and other data; obtain or authorize NMPP to obtain or provide additional reports and data as required; and furnish to NMPP any required services of outside third parties. NMPP shall be entitled to use and rely upon all information and services provided by or on behalf of Municipality as accurate without

independent verification in the completion of the services provided hereunder.

- 2.2.2 Municipality shall designate, in writing, a person with authority to act on Municipality's behalf on all matters concerning the services provided by NMPP under this Agreement.
- 2.2.3 Municipality shall perform the responsibilities outlined in this Section 2 in a timely manner so as not to delay the services of NMPP. A delay in Municipality's performance of more than three (3) months for any specific responsibility of Municipality shall be deemed an event of default, and NMPP shall have the right to suspend services or terminate this Agreement in the event such default is not cured within ten (10) days after written notice to Municipality.
- 2.2.4 Municipality shall bear all costs associated with the completion of all requirements under this Section 2.

3. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATIONS

3.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, NMPP's total liability to Municipality for any loss or damage, including, but not limited to, special and/or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with the performance of services or any other cause shall not exceed the compensation received by NMPP from Municipality under this Agreement, and Municipality hereby releases and will hold harmless NMPP from any liability above such amount. Municipality further agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to defend, indemnify and hold harmless NMPP and its officers, employees and agents from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, direct or indirect, or consequential damages including, but not limited to, attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of NMPP's services hereunder.

3.2 NMPP shall exercise the same degree of care, skill, and diligence in the performance of services as is ordinarily possessed and exercised by a professional consultant under similar circumstances. **NO WARRANTY, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, IS INCLUDED IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY DRAWING, SPECIFICATION, REPORT OR OPINION PRODUCED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.**

3.3 All express representations, indemnifications or limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.

4. FEES AND PAYMENT

4.1 Municipality shall pay NMPP for performance of the services described in Section 2.1 as follows:

Total Fee for Section 2.1 Services	Current Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (“MEAN”) Funding (subject to change per Section 4.7)	Municipality eligible for MEAN funding as of date of execution of the Agreement	Total Fee Due from Municipality for Section 2.1 Services
\$13,040	50% ¹	Yes / No	\$6,520 ¹

¹For qualifying participants of MEAN, the MEAN Funding amount and the Total Fee Due will be automatically adjusted in accordance with Section 4.7 in the event MEAN modifies or eliminates funding for the Rate Study service.

4.2 Additional services not provided for in the scope of services set forth herein may be requested in writing by the Municipality. If agreed to by NMPP, such additional services shall be provided by NMPP in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and billed at the then-current NMPP hourly rate. Expenses will be those incurred in completing the services at the cost or fee associated with the expense.

4.3 The fees established in this Section 4 may be reviewed and updated by NMPP from time to time in accordance with Section 4.5 of this Agreement.

4.4 Fifty percent (50%) of the total fee due from Municipality for Section 2.1 services will be invoiced after NMPP presents the Preliminary Proforma, including the Financial Plan, to the Municipality’s staff and/or the rate making authority, with the balance invoiced after delivery of the Final Proforma and Rate Ordinances. For any additional services provided under Section 4.2, and for any additional trips needed pursuant to Section 2.1.3.6, bills for services shall be rendered upon completion of each such additional service. Each bill shall be paid by Municipality within thirty (30) days after the date the bill is rendered. If any bill is not paid within thirty (30) days, it shall be deemed delinquent and interest shall accrue at the rate of 1.25% per month, or fraction thereof, on any unpaid amount from the date the bill becomes delinquent until the date on which payment is made. This Agreement may be terminated by NMPP for non-payment by Municipality.

4.5 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Agreement, NMPP shall have the right to modify any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the scope of services and fees for participation, at any time, by providing written notice to Municipality. Municipality shall have thirty (30) days from the issuance of such notice to inform NMPP in writing of Municipality’s objection to modification of the terms and conditions. Upon receipt by NMPP of Municipality’s sufficient notice of objection, NMPP shall cease providing

services to Municipality under this Agreement and this Agreement shall automatically terminate; provided, however, that such termination shall not take effect unless and until Municipality has made complete payment for any outstanding amount due and for services provided pursuant to this Agreement prior to receipt of Municipality's notice of objection.

4.6 If at any time during the term of this Agreement Municipality's membership in NMPP is withdrawn or terminated for any reason, the fees for services provided to Municipality pursuant to this Agreement shall automatically convert to the non-member fee, where such a fee is applicable, which fee may be modified from time to time by NMPP, and NMPP shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon written notice at any time to Municipality.

4.7 For qualifying participants of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN), the Board of Directors of MEAN has approved partial funding of the cost of Service Schedule M and K participants to utilize the Section 2.1 services under this Agreement. If this funding is applicable to Municipality as of the date of execution of this Agreement, this amount has been reflected in Section 4.1. Funding is subject to change or elimination without notice from time to time by action of the MEAN Board of Directors. In such event, the amount due from Municipality will be adjusted accordingly and any balance due will be billed by NMPP to Municipality.

5. USE OF ELECTRONIC MEDIA

5.1 Copies of documents that may be relied upon by Municipality are limited to the printed copies, also known as hard copies, which are signed by NMPP. Files in electronic media format of text, data, graphics, or of other types that are furnished by NMPP to Municipality are only for the convenience of Municipality. Any conclusion or information obtained or derived from such electronic files will be used at Municipality's sole risk.

5.2 When transferring documents in electronic media format, NMPP makes no representations as to compatibility, usability, or readability of documents resulting from such transfer or from the use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used by NMPP at the beginning of services rendered.

5.3 If there is a discrepancy between the electronic files and the hard copies, the hard copies shall govern.

5.4 Because data stored in electronic media format can deteriorate or be modified inadvertently or otherwise without authorization of the data's creator, the Party receiving electronic files agrees that it will perform acceptance tests or procedures within thirty (30) days, after which the receiving Party shall be deemed to have accepted the data thus transferred. Any errors reported by receiving Party to delivering Party within the thirty (30)-day acceptance period will be corrected by the delivering Party within sixty (60) days of such notification. NMPP shall not be responsible to maintain documents stored in electronic media format after acceptance by Municipality.

6. GENERAL

6.1 Neither Party shall have the right to assign this Agreement without the consent, in writing, of the other Party.

6.2 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Nebraska.

6.3 In no event shall any delay by any party in enforcing (in whole or in part) any provision of this Agreement be or be deemed to be a waiver thereof or a waiver of any other provision or shall in any way prejudice any right of that party under this Agreement. Any waiver in regard to the performance of this Agreement shall operate only if in writing and mutually agreed upon by each Party.

6.4 In the event any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and binding upon the Parties.

6.5 Nothing under this Agreement shall be construed to give any rights or benefits in this Agreement to anyone other than NMPP and Municipality.

6.6 Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any delay in the performance of its duties hereunder or for any loss or damage arising from uncontrollable forces including but not limited to fire, theft, storm, war, terrorism, power outage, regulatory action or any other force majeure that could not have been reasonably avoided by exercise of due diligence by the Parties. In the event of such a force majeure, the affected Party shall notify the other Party of the circumstances surrounding the force majeure and provide an estimate of delay time caused thereby. The affected Party shall use due diligence to remove such force majeure as soon as is reasonably practicable.

7. NOTICES

7.1 Any notice required under this Agreement will be in writing, addressed to the appropriate Party at its address on the signature page and given personally, or by mail postage prepaid, or by commercial courier service.

8. OTHER AGREEMENTS

8.1 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any oral or written representations, understandings, proposals, or communications heretofore entered into by or on account of the parties and may not be changed, modified, or amended except in a writing signed by both parties. This Agreement shall supersede, terminate and replace that certain Agreement for Financial Plan, Cost of Service and Rate Design Study for Electric Rates executed as of January 8, 2021 between NMPP and Municipality.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWING]

WHEREAS, NMPP and Municipality have caused this Agreement for a Financial Plan, Cost of Service and Rate Design Study for Electric Rates to be duly executed by their authorized officers.

NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER POOL

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Address: 8377 Glynoaks Drive
Lincoln, NE 68516

Address: _____



Design with Purpose. Build with Confidence.

April 15, 2022

Mr. Tom Ourada
City Administrator
City of Crete
243 East 13th Street
Crete, NE 68333

Re: RTSD Coordination Proposal
City of Crete/Saline County

Dear Tom:

The Schemmer Associates Inc. (SCHEMMER) proposes to provide professional services to the City of Crete (CLIENT or OWNER) in association with assisting the OWNER and county in the formation of a Railroad Transportation Safety District (RTSD) in Saline County. The development of this scope of services and compensation proposal is based in part on the following:

- Conversations with City staff
- Knowledge of the project area

I. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

A. GENERAL

SCHEMMER shall render for OWNER professional engineering services in all phases of the Project to which this Agreement applies as hereinafter provided. These services will include serving as OWNER'S professional engineering representative for the Project, providing professional engineering consultation and advice and furnishing customary engineering services incidental thereto.

Generally, these services are to include conducting research, providing and presenting data and documentation and assisting with public involvement related to promoting the formation of a RTSD within Saline County.

PHONE 402.488.2500

FAX 402.488.3221

333 South 21st Street, Suite 102
Lincoln, Nebraska 68510

B. DETAILED SCOPE OF SERVICES:

1. Progress/review Meetings

SCHEMMER will facilitate and attend up to four (4) meetings with the City of Crete and Saline County officials. Other attendees may include the Nebraska Department of Transportation and the Lincoln/Lancaster County RTSD. The purpose of these meetings will be to review RTSD requirements, benefits, taxing authority, development process, public information strategies, implementation timeline, etc.

2. Data Collection

This task will consist of research and data collection by SCHEMMER team members related to the formation of a RTSD.

3. Public Open House

SCHEMMER will prepare for and conduct one (1) public open house to share information related to the purpose of an RTSD. Materials shared at the public open house may include but not be limited to:

- Potential RTSD-funded project types
- Taxing Authority
- RTSD governing makeup
- Project examples from other RTSD's
- Timeline for RTSD formation

Schemmer will prepare one (1) handout to be available to the general public with a summary of information presented at the public open house.

II. CRITERIA, ASSUMPTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS

1. Not Applicable

III. COMPENSATION

- A. **Basic Services:** Our proposed fee for performing the basic services shall be on an hourly basis with a total not to exceed amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$29,723.80).
- B. **Additional Services:** Additional Services as approved and directed by OWNER will be rendered by SCHEMMER on a hourly rate basis as agreed to at the time such services are requested. If services are to be provided per hourly rates, you will be invoiced in accordance with our Schedule of Hourly Rates in effect at the time the Additional Services are requested plus reimbursable expenses for such services.

IV. SCHEDULE

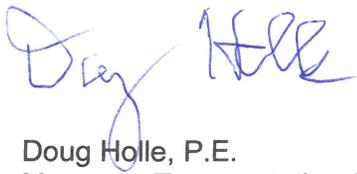
SCHEMMER shall commence services on the project immediately after receipt of Notice-to-Proceed and receipt of data/information from other parties as outlined herein. Specific dates for the tasks below will be developed mutually by the OWNER and SCHEMMER.

Kickoff Meeting: May 2022
Meeting #2: June 2022
Meeting #3: July 2022
Public Open House: August 2022
Meeting #4: September 2022

If the foregoing Proposal and attached General Conditions are agreeable, please indicate your acceptance by signing and returning one copy of this proposal. SCHEMMER will consider the signed proposal an Agreement between OWNER and SCHEMMER for the services described herein.

Sincerely,

SCHEMMER



Doug Holle, P.E.
Manager, Transportation Group

ACCEPTED:
City of Crete, Nebraska

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

EXHIBIT B: Hour Estimate Form

RTSD Coordination

City of Crete

ITEM NO.	TASK DESCRIPTION	PRIN	PROJ MGR	SEN PROJ ENGR	REG DESIGN ENGR	ENGR/ SEN TECH	ENGR TECH	SEN REG SURVEYOR	PARTY CHIEF SURVEYOR	ASSOC SURVEYOR	GRAPHIC DESIGNER	ADMIN ASST	TOTAL PER TASK
I.	Project Administration												
I.a	Project Management		12										12
I.b	Progress/Review Meetings		40				16						56
I.d	Data Collection		24			16							40
VII.	Public Information												
VII.a	Public Information Meeting		24			6	40						70
													0
	TOTALS	0	100	0	0	22	56	0	0	0	0	0	178

**RTSD Coordination
City of Crete**

EXHIBIT B: FEE SUMMARY SCHEDULE

Direct Salary Costs

PROJECT TASK & PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION	ESTIMATED HOURS	2022 RATE	ESTIMATED LABOR CHARGE	TASK COST
I. Project Administration				\$19,340.00
PRINCIPAL	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
PROJECT MANAGER	76	\$205.00	\$15,580.00	
SENIOR PROJECT ENGINEER	0	\$175.00	\$0.00	
REGISTERED DESIGN ENGINEER	0	\$150.00	\$0.00	
ENGINEER/ SENIOR TECHNICIAN	16	\$150.00	\$2,400.00	
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN	16	\$85.00	\$1,360.00	
REGISTERED SURVEYOR	0	\$135.00	\$0.00	
PARTY CHIEF SURVEYOR	0	\$100.00	\$0.00	
ASSOCIATE SURVEYOR	0	\$75.00	\$0.00	
GRAPHIC DESIGNER	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
VII. Public Information				\$9,220.00
PRINCIPAL	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
PROJECT MANAGER	24	\$205.00	\$4,920.00	
SENIOR PROJECT ENGINEER	0	\$175.00	\$0.00	
REGISTERED DESIGN ENGINEER	0	\$150.00	\$0.00	
ENGINEER/ SENIOR TECHNICIAN	6	\$150.00	\$900.00	
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN	40	\$85.00	\$3,400.00	
REGISTERED SURVEYOR	0	\$135.00	\$0.00	
PARTY CHIEF SURVEYOR	0	\$100.00	\$0.00	
ASSOCIATE SURVEYOR	0	\$75.00	\$0.00	
GRAPHIC DESIGNER	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Subtotal Labor Costs	178		\$28,560.00	

DIRECT NON-SALARY COSTS:

	No.	Rate (\$)	
Printing	1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Mileage	280	\$ 0.585	\$ 163.80
Survey Mileage		\$ 0.585	-
Geotech (Field Drilling Subcontractor)		\$ 925.00	-
Geotech (Lab Reimbursable)		\$ 210.00	-
Title Searches		\$ 200.00	-
Lodging		\$ 70.00	-
Per Diem		\$ 39.00	-
Public Meeting	1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Storm Sewer Video Inspection		-	-
Wetland Delineation		-	-

Sub-Total Direct Non-Salary Costs

\$ 1,163.80

TOTAL ESTIMATED FEE

\$29,723.80

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. **REUSE OF DOCUMENTS.** All documents including, but not limited to, drawings, specifications and CADD data on electronic media furnished by The Schemmer Associates Inc. pursuant to this Agreement are Instruments of Service in respect to the project identified in the Agreement. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on extensions of this project or on any other project for any purpose without the specific written permission of The Schemmer Associates Inc., which may be withheld in The Schemmer Associates Inc.'s sole discretion. The Schemmer Associates Inc. may, in its sole discretion, condition permission on payment of additional compensation to The Schemmer Associates Inc. Any use without permission shall be at the user's sole risk and without liability to The Schemmer Associates Inc. Client agrees that it will indemnify and hold harmless The Schemmer Associates Inc. from all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorneys' fees arising out of or resulting therefrom.
2. **ESTIMATES.** Since The Schemmer Associates Inc. has no control over the cost of labor, materials or equipment or over the contractor(s)' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, estimates of project cost are made on the basis of experience and qualifications and represent the best judgment of design professionals familiar with the industry, but The Schemmer Associates Inc. cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids or project costs will not vary from estimates of cost prepared by The Schemmer Associates Inc.
3. **SUSPENSION OR ABANDONMENT.** If the project is suspended for more than three months or abandoned in whole or in part, The Schemmer Associates Inc. shall be paid compensation for services performed prior to receipt of written notice of such suspension or abandonment, together with reimbursable expenses then due. If, after a period of suspension, the project is restarted, The Schemmer Associates Inc. shall be entitled to payment for any increased costs it incurs as a result of the suspension.
4. **TERMINATION.** This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon seven days' written notice should either party fail substantially to perform in accordance with its terms through no fault of the other. In the event of termination due to the fault of others than The Schemmer Associates Inc., The Schemmer Associates Inc. shall be paid for services performed prior to termination, including reimbursable expenses.
5. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.** Each party to this Agreement binds him/herself, his/her partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party, his/her partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives with respect to all covenants of this Agreement. Neither party shall assign, sublet or transfer his/her interest in this Agreement without the written consent of the other, which consent may be withheld in the sole discretion of the non-assigning party.
6. **PAYMENTS.** Payments due The Schemmer Associates Inc. under this Agreement shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the date of billing. If full payment is not received within sixty (60) days of the date of billing, the unpaid amount shall bear interest at the highest rate permitted by law but not exceeding eighteen percent (18%) from the date of billing.
7. **DELINQUENT PAYMENTS.** If any payment due hereunder remains unpaid for a period of sixty (60) days after invoice, The Schemmer Associates Inc. may, in its sole discretion, cease providing services and not resume providing services until all amounts owing have been paid in full. Cessation of service for nonpayment shall not constitute breach by The Schemmer Associates Inc. of this agreement, or an election of remedies, and Client shall fully indemnify The Schemmer Associates Inc. for any liability or damages caused thereby. All mechanics lien rights available to The Schemmer Associates Inc. may be exercised within the time period allowed by law.
8. **TAX.** The amount of any excise, gross receipts or sales tax that may be due as a result of the work performed by The Schemmer Associates Inc. shall be invoiced to Client as a reimbursable expense.
9. **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.** Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, The Schemmer Associates and The Schemmer Associates' consultants shall have no responsibility for the discovery, presence, handling, removal or disposal of or exposure of persons to hazardous materials in any form, including but not limited to asbestos, asbestos products, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) or other toxic substances. Client shall indemnify and hold The Schemmer Associates Inc. harmless from and against all claims arising out of or related in any way to hazardous materials.
10. **NOTICE OF LIMITATION OF AGENTS' AUTHORITY.** Client understands and agrees that no agent, officer, or principal of The Schemmer Associates Inc. is authorized to vary the terms of this

agreement in any way except by a writing, expressly varying the terms of this Agreement.

11. **INVALIDATION OF PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE.** The Schemmer Associates Inc. agrees that it shall not knowingly take any action which shall cause loss of The Schemmer Associates' professional liability insurance coverage for this project or any aspect of it.

12. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Client agrees that The Schemmer Associates Inc.'s liability to Client for damages arising out of or in any way related to its work in connection with the project or any error or deficiency in the Instruments of Service for the project, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise, including, but not limited to, claims for indemnity or contribution shall be limited to the sum of \$50,000 or the amount paid to The Schemmer Associates Inc. as fees under this Agreement, whichever is greater. This limitation shall apply regardless of the cause of action or legal theory asserted.

13. **COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN/DRAFTING (CADD).** CADD may be utilized to prepare drawings, specifications, calculations, and other instruments of service prepared by The Schemmer Associates Inc. Submitted data files are intended to work only as described in the agreement and are compatible only with the original hardware and software used to create the files.

13.1 Electronic files will be submitted to the Client for a 30-day acceptance period ("the Acceptance Period"). During this period, the Client may review and examine the files. Any errors discovered during the Acceptance Period will be corrected by The Schemmer Associates Inc. at no additional cost to Client. Any work associated with errors discovered or changes requested after the Acceptance Period will be considered additional services and will be performed on a time and materials basis, at The Schemmer Associates Inc.'s customary charge for the work requested. The Schemmer Associates Inc. will not maintain copies of the electronic files beyond the end of the Acceptance Period.

13.2 Because data stored on electronic media can deteriorate undetected or be modified without the knowledge of The Schemmer Associates Inc., Client agrees to accept responsibility for the completeness, correctness, and readability of the electronic media after the end of the Acceptance Period. Client agrees that it will indemnify and save harmless The Schemmer Associates Inc. from any and all claims, losses, costs, damages, awards, or judgments arising from use of the electronic media files or output

generated from them. Upon the expiration of the Acceptance Period, The Schemmer Associates Inc. agrees that it is responsible for the accuracy of the sealed hard copy drawings that are submitted by it to Client. "Accuracy" as used in this paragraph is defined as meeting the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the professional practicing under similar conditions at the same time and in the same locality.

13.3 The Owner shall be permitted to retain copies of the drawings and specifications prepared in CADD format for the Owner's information. Due to the potential that the information set forth on the electronic media can be modified by the Owner, unintentionally or otherwise, The Schemmer Associates Inc. reserves the right to remove all indicia of its ownership and/or involvement from each electronic file.

13.4 Any use or reuse of electronic files by the Owner or others without written authorization from The Schemmer Associates Inc. for the specific purpose intended will be at the Owner's risk. The Schemmer Associates Inc. may refuse authorization in its sole discretion or condition authorization on CADD adaptation by The Schemmer Associates Inc. Any such authorization or CADD adaptation by the Owner will entitle The Schemmer Associates Inc. to additional compensation at the rates established as part of the agreement for the project. Owner will, to the fullest extent permitted by law, defend, indemnify and hold The Schemmer Associates Inc. harmless from any and all claims, suits, liability, demands, or costs arising out of or resulting from use or reuse of electronic files without written authorization from The Schemmer Associates Inc.

14. **LIMITATION OF WARRANTY.** The Schemmer Associates Inc. makes no warranties, express or implied, under this agreement or otherwise, in connection with the services provided.

15. **GEOTECHNICAL MATERIALS TESTING SERVICE.** In the case that geotechnical and/or materials testing services are provided by The Schemmer Associates Inc., our supplementary General Conditions for Geotechnical and Materials Testing shall be considered a part of this document.

16. **CONSTRUCTION STAKING.** In the case that construction staking services are provided by The Schemmer Associates Inc., our supplementary General Conditions for Construction Staking shall be considered a part of this document.



LETTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

4/15/2022

City of Crete, NE
Attn: Tom Ourada
243 East 13th St
Crete, NE

Re: **LETTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**
Doane Substation and Electrical Improvements (the "Project")
Doane Campus Substation – Crete, NE

Dear Mr. Ourada:

It is our understanding that City of Crete, NE ("Client") requests Olsson, Inc. ("Olsson") to perform the services described herein pursuant to the terms of this Letter Agreement for Professional Services, Olsson's General Provisions and any exhibits attached hereto (all documents constitute and are referred to herein as the "Agreement") for the Project.

Olsson has acquainted itself with the information provided by Client relative to the Project and based upon such information offers to provide the services described below for the Project. Client warrants that it is either the legal owner of the property to be improved by this Project or that Client is acting as the duly authorized agent of the legal owner of such property. Client acknowledges that it has reviewed the General Provisions and any exhibits attached hereto, which are expressly made a part of and incorporated into the Agreement by this reference. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Letter Agreement, and the General Provisions regarding the services to be performed by Olsson, the terms of the General Provisions shall take precedence.

Olsson shall provide the following services ("Scope of Services") to Client for the Project: as more specifically described in "Scope of Services" attached hereto. Should Client request work in addition to the Scope of Services, Olsson shall invoice Client for such additional services (Optional Additional Services) at the standard hourly billing labor rate charged for those employees actually performing the work, plus reimbursable expenses if any. Olsson shall not commence work on Optional Additional Services without Client's prior written approval.

Olsson agrees to provide all of its services in a timely, competent and professional manner, in accordance with applicable standards of care, for projects of similar geographic location, quality and scope.

SCHEDULE FOR OLSSON'S SERVICES

Unless otherwise agreed, Olsson expects to perform its services under the Agreement as follows:

Anticipated Start Date: 4/25/2022

Anticipated Completion Date: 10/10/2022

Olsson will endeavor to start its services on the Anticipated Start Date and to complete its services on the Anticipated Completion Date. However, the Anticipated Start Date, the Anticipated Completion Date, and any milestone dates are approximate only, and Olsson reserves the right to adjust its schedule and any or all of those dates at its sole discretion, for any reason, including, but not limited to, delays caused by Client or delays caused by third parties.

COMPENSATION

Lump Sum

Client shall pay to Olsson for the performance of the Design Services for a lump sum of three hundred thirty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$334,500.00) plus reimbursable expenses in accordance with the Reimbursable Expense Schedule attached to this agreement. Olsson shall submit invoices on a monthly basis, and payment is due within 30 calendar days of invoice date.

Time and Materials

Client shall pay to Olsson for the performance of the Field Services, the actual time of personnel performing such services in accordance with the Labor Billing Rate Schedule(s), and all actual reimbursable expenses in accordance with the Reimbursable Expense Schedule attached to this agreement. Olsson shall submit invoices on a monthly basis, and payment is due within 30 calendar days of invoice date.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

We have discussed with you the risks, rewards and benefits of the Project, the Scope of Services, and our fees for such services and the Agreement represents the entire understanding between Client and Olsson with respect to the Project. The Agreement may only be modified in writing signed by both parties.

Client's designated Project Representative shall be Tom Ourada.

If this Agreement satisfactorily sets forth your understanding of our agreement, please sign in the space provided below. Retain one original for your files and return an executed original to Olsson. This proposal will be open for acceptance for a period of 30 days from the date set forth above, unless changed by us in writing.

OLSSON, INC.

By 
Erik Eihusen, PE – Team Leader

By 
Rusty Hartman, PE – Vice President

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have full authority to bind Client to the terms of the Agreement. If you accept the terms set forth herein, please sign:

City of Crete, NE

By _____
Signature

Print Name _____

Title _____

Dated _____

Attachments

General Provisions

Scope of Services

Olsson Power Delivery Billing Rate Schedule - 2022

Reimbursable Expense Schedule

GENERAL PROVISIONS

These General Provisions are attached to and made a part of the respective Letter Agreement or Master Agreement, dated 4/15/22 between City of Crete, NE ("Client") and Olsson, Inc. ("Olsson") for professional services in connection with the project or projects arising under such Letter Agreement or Master Agreement (the "Project(s)").

As used herein, the term "this Agreement" refers to these General Provisions, the applicable Letter Agreement or Master Agreement, and any other exhibits or attachments thereto as if they were part of one and the same document.

SECTION 1—OLSSON'S SCOPE OF SERVICES

Olsson's scope of services for the Project(s) is set forth in the applicable Letter Agreement or Master Agreement ("Scope of Services").

SECTION 2—ADDITIONAL SERVICES

2.1 Unless otherwise expressly included, Scope of Services does not include the categories of additional services set forth in Sections 2.2 and 2.3.

2.2 If Client and Olsson mutually agree for Olsson to perform any optional additional services as set forth in this Section 2.2 ("Optional Additional Services"), Client will provide written approval of the agreed-upon Optional Additional Services, and Olsson shall perform or obtain from others such services and will be entitled to an increase in compensation at rates provided in this Agreement. Olsson may elect not to perform all or any of the Optional Additional Services without cause or explanation:

2.2.1 Preparation of applications and supporting documents for governmental financial support of the Project(s); preparation or review of environmental studies and related services; and assistance in obtaining environmental approvals.

2.2.2 Services to make measured drawings of or to investigate existing conditions of facilities.

2.2.3 Services resulting from changes in the general scope, extent or character of the Project(s) or major changes in documentation previously accepted by Client where changes are due to causes beyond Olsson's control.

2.2.4 Services resulting from the discovery of conditions or circumstances which were not contemplated by Olsson at the commencement of this Agreement. Olsson shall notify Client of the newly discovered conditions or circumstances and Client and Olsson shall renegotiate, in good faith, the compensation for this Agreement, if amended terms cannot be agreed upon, Olsson may terminate this Agreement and Olsson shall be paid for its services through the date of termination.

2.2.5 Providing renderings or models.

2.2.6 Preparing documents for alternate bids requested by Client.

2.2.7 Analysis of operations, maintenance or overhead expenses; value engineering; the preparation of rate

schedules; earnings or expense statements; cash flow or economic evaluations or; feasibility studies, appraisals or valuations.

2.2.8 Furnishing the services of independent professional associates or consultants for work beyond the Scope of Services.

2.2.9 Services necessary due to the Client's award of more than one prime contract for the Project(s); services necessary due to the construction contract containing cost plus or incentive-savings provisions; services necessary in order to arrange for performance by persons other than the prime contractor; or those services necessary to administer Client's contract(s).

2.2.10 Services in connection with staking out the work of contractor(s).

2.2.11 Services during out-of-town travel or visits to the site beyond those specifically identified in this Agreement.

2.2.12 Preparation of operating and maintenance manuals.

2.2.13 Services to redesign some or all of the Project(s).

2.2.14 Preparing to serve or serving as a consultant or witness or assisting Client with any litigation, arbitration or other legal or administrative proceeding.

2.2.15 Services relating to Construction Observation, Certification, Inspection, Construction Cost Estimating, project observation, construction management, construction scheduling, construction phasing or review of Contractor's performance means or methods.

2.3 Whenever, in its sole discretion, Olsson determines additional services as set forth in this Section 2.3 are necessary to avoid a delay in the completion of the Project(s) ("Necessary Additional Services"), Olsson shall perform or obtain from others such services without waiting for specific instructions from Client, and Olsson will be entitled to an increase in compensation for such services at the standard hourly billing rate charged for those employees performing the services, plus reimbursable expenses, if any:

2.3.1 Services in connection with work directive changes and/or change orders directed by the Client to any contractors.

2.3.2 Services in making revisions to drawings and specifications occasioned by the acceptance of substitutions proposed by contractor(s); services after the award of each contract in evaluating and determining the acceptability of an unreasonable or excessive number of substitutions proposed by contractor(s); or evaluating an unreasonable or extensive number of claims submitted by contractor(s) or others in connection with the Project(s).

2.3.3 Services resulting from significant delays, changes or price increases occurring as a direct or indirect result of material, equipment or energy shortages.

2.3.4 Additional or extended services during construction made necessary by (1) work damaged during construction, (2) a defective, inefficient or neglected work by any contractor, (3) acceleration of the progress schedule involving services beyond normal working hours, or (4) default by any contractor.

SECTION 3—CLIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1. Client shall provide all criteria and full information as to Client's requirements for the Project(s); designate and identify in writing a person to act with authority on Client's behalf in respect of all aspects of the Project(s); examine and respond promptly to Olsson's submissions; and give prompt written notice to Olsson whenever Client observes or otherwise becomes aware of any defect in the Olsson's services.

3.2 Client agrees to pay Olsson the amounts due for services rendered and expenses within thirty (30) days after Olsson has provided its invoice for such services. In the event Client disputes any invoice item, Client shall give Olsson written notice of such disputed item within fifteen (15) days after receipt of such invoice and shall pay to Olsson the undisputed portion of the invoice according to the provisions hereof. If Client fails to pay any invoiced amounts when due, interest will accrue on each unpaid amount at the rate of thirteen percent (13%) per annum from the date due until paid according to the provisions of this Agreement. Interest shall not be charged on any disputed invoice item which is finally resolved in Client's favor. Payment of interest shall not excuse or cure any default or delay in payment of amounts due.

3.2.1 If Client fails to make any payment due Olsson for services and expenses within thirty (30) days after receipt of Olsson's statement therefore, Olsson may, after giving seven (7) days written notice to Client, suspend services to Client under this Agreement until Olsson has been paid in full all amounts due for services, expenses and charges and Client will not obtain any license to any Work Product or be entitled to retain or use any Work Product pursuant to Section 7.1 unless and until Olsson has been paid in full and Client has fully satisfied all of its obligations under this Agreement.

3.3 Payments to Olsson shall not be withheld, postponed or made contingent on the construction, completion or success of the Project(s) or upon receipt by the Client of offsetting reimbursements or credit from other parties who may have caused the need for additional services. No withholdings, deductions or offsets shall be made from Olsson's compensation for any reason unless and until Olsson has been found to be legally liable for such amounts.

3.4 Client shall also do the following and pay all costs incident thereto:

3.4.1 Furnish to Olsson any existing and/or required borings, probings or subsurface explorations; hydrographic surveys; laboratory tests or inspections of samples, materials or equipment; appropriate professional interpretations of any of the foregoing; environmental assessment and impact statements; property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, topographic or utility surveys; property descriptions; and/or zoning or deed restrictions; all of which Olsson may rely upon in performing services hereunder.

3.4.2 Guarantee access to and make all provisions for Olsson to enter upon public and private property reasonably necessary to perform its services on the Project(s).

3.4.3 Provide such legal, accounting, independent cost estimating or insurance counseling services as may be required for the Project(s); any auditing service required in respect of contractor(s)' applications for payment; and/or any inspection services to determine if contractor(s) are performing the work legally.

3.4.4 Provide engineering surveys to establish reference points for construction unless specifically included in Olsson's Scope of Services.

3.4.5 Furnish approvals and permits from all governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Project(s).

3.4.6 If more than one prime contractor is to be awarded the contract for construction, designate a party to have responsibility and authority for coordinating and interfacing the activities of the various prime contractors.

3.4.7 All fees and other amounts payable by Client under this Agreement are exclusive of taxes and similar assessments. Without limiting the foregoing, Client is responsible and liable for all sales, service, use, and excise taxes, and any other similar taxes, duties, and charges of any kind imposed by any federal, state, county or local governmental authority on any amounts payable by Client under this Agreement, other than any taxes imposed on Olsson's income. In the event any governmental authority assesses Olsson for taxes, duties, or charges of any kind in connection with Scope of Services provided by Olsson to Client, Olsson shall be entitled to submit an invoice to Client, its successors or assigns, for the amount of said assessment and related interest and penalties. Client shall pay such invoice in accordance with Olsson's standard payment terms.

3.5 Client shall pay all costs incident to obtaining bids or proposals from contractor(s).

3.6 Client shall pay all permit application review costs for government authorities having jurisdiction over the Project(s).

3.7 Contemporaneously with the execution of this Agreement, Client shall designate in writing an individual to act as its duly authorized Project(s) representative.

3.8 Client shall bear sole responsibility for:

3.8.1 Jobsite safety. Neither the professional activities of Olsson, nor the presence of Olsson or its employees or sub-consultants at the Project shall impose any duty on Olsson relating to any health or safety laws, regulations, rules, programs or procedures.

3.8.2 Notifying third parties including any governmental agency or prospective purchaser, of the existence of any hazardous or dangerous materials located in or around the Project(s) site.

3.8.3 Providing and updating Olsson with accurate information regarding existing conditions, including the existence of hazardous or dangerous materials, proposed

Project(s) site uses, any change in Project(s) plans, and all subsurface installations, such as pipes, tanks, cables and utilities within the Project(s) site.

3.8.4 Providing and assuming all responsibility for: interpretation of contract documents; Construction Observations; Certifications; Inspections; Construction Cost Estimating; project observations; construction management; construction scheduling; construction phasing; and review of Contractor's performance, means and methods. Client waives any claims against Olsson and releases Olsson from liability relating to or arising out of such services and agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold Olsson harmless from any and all damages, liabilities or costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and defense costs, relating to such actions and services.

3.9 Client releases Olsson from liability for any incorrect advice, judgment or decision based on inaccurate information furnished by Client or others.

3.10 If reasonable precautions will be inadequate to prevent foreseeable bodily injury or death to persons resulting from a material or substance, including hazardous materials, encountered on the site, Olsson may immediately stop work in the affected area and report the condition to Client. Client shall be solely responsible for retaining independent consultant(s) to determine the nature of the material and to abate or remove the material. Olsson shall not be required to perform any services or work relating to or in the area of such material until the material has been removed or rendered harmless and only after approval, if necessary of the government agency with jurisdiction.

SECTION 4—MEANING OF TERMS

4.1 The "Cost of Construction" of the entire Project(s) (herein referred to as "Cost of Construction") means the total cost to Client of those portions of the entire Project(s) designed and specified by Olsson, but it will not include Olsson's compensation and expenses, the cost of land, rights-of-way, or compensation for or damages to, properties unless this Agreement so specifies, nor will it include Client's legal, accounting, insurance counseling or auditing services, or interest and financing charges incurred in connection with the Project(s) or the cost of other services to be provided by others to Client pursuant to Section 3.

4.2 The "Salary Costs": Used as a basis for payment mean salaries and wages (base and incentive) paid to all Olsson's personnel engaged directly on the Project(s), including, but not limited to, engineers, architects, surveyors, designers, draftsmen, specification writers, estimators, other technical and business personnel; plus the cost of customary and statutory benefits, including, but not limited to, social security contributions, unemployment, excise and payroll taxes, workers' compensation, health and retirement benefits, sick leave, vacation and holiday pay and other group benefits.

4.3 "Certify" or "a Certification": If included in the Scope of Services, such services shall be limited to a statement of Olsson's opinion, to the best of Olsson's professional knowledge, information and belief, based upon its periodic observations and reasonable review of reports and tests created by Olsson or provided to Olsson. Olsson shall not be responsible for constant or exhaustive observation of the work. Client

understands and agrees that any certifications based upon discrete sampling observations and that such observations indicate conditions that exist only at the locations and times the observations were performed. Performance of such observation services and certification does not constitute a warranty or guarantee of any type, since even with diligent observation, some construction defects, deficiencies or omissions in the work may occur. Olsson shall have no responsibility for the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures selected by the contractor(s) or for the contractor's safety precautions and programs nor for failure by the contractor(s) to comply with any laws or regulations relating to the performance or furnishing of any work by the contractor(s). Client shall hold its contractor(s) solely responsible for the quality and completion of the Project(s), including construction in accordance with the construction documents. Any duty under this Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Client and not for any third party, including the contractor(s) or any subcontractor(s). Olsson shall sign pre-printed form certifications only if (a) Olsson approves the form of such certification prior to the commencement of its services, (b) such certification is expressly included in the Scope of Services, (c) the certification is limited to a statement of professional opinion and does not constitute a warranty or guarantee, express or implied. It is understood that any certification by Olsson shall not relieve the Client or the Client's contractors of any responsibility or obligation they may have by industry custom or under any contract.

4.4 "Opinion of Probable Cost": An opinion of probable construction cost made by Olsson. In providing opinions of probable construction cost, it is recognized that neither the Client nor Olsson has control over the costs of labor, equipment or materials, or over the contractor's methods of determining prices or bidding. The opinion of probable construction costs is based on Olsson's reasonable professional judgment and experience and does not constitute a warranty, express or implied, that the contractor's bids or the negotiated price of the work on the Project(s) will not vary from the Client's budget or from any opinion of probable cost prepared by Olsson.

4.5 "Day": A calendar day of 24 hours. The term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days of 24 hours each, or fraction thereof.

4.6 "Construction Observation": If included in the Scope of Services, such services during construction shall be limited to periodic visual observation and testing of the work to determine that the observed work generally conforms to the contract documents. Olsson shall not be responsible for constant or exhaustive observation of the work. Client understands and agrees that such visual observations are discrete sampling procedures and that such procedures indicate conditions that exist only at the locations and times the observations were performed. Performance of Construction Observation services does not constitute a warranty or guarantee of any type, since even with diligent observation, some construction defects, deficiencies or omissions in the work may occur. Olsson shall have no responsibility for the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures selected by the contractor or for the contractor's safety precautions and programs nor for failure by the contractor to comply with any laws or regulations relating to the performance or furnishing of any work by the contractor. Client shall hold its contractor(s) solely responsible for the quality and completion of the Project(s), including construction in accordance with the construction documents. Any duty under this Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Client and not for

any third party, including the contractor or any subcontractor. Client, or its designees shall notify Olsson at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of any field tests and observations required by the construction documents.

4.7 "Inspect" or "Inspection": If included in the Scope of Services, such services shall be limited to the periodic visual observation of the contractor's completed work to permit Olsson, as an experienced and qualified professional, to determine that the observed work, generally conforms to the contract documents. Olsson shall not be responsible for constant or exhaustive observation of the work. Client understands and agrees that such visual observations are discrete sampling procedures and that such procedures indicate conditions that exist only at the locations and times the observations were performed. Performance of such observation services does not constitute a warranty or guarantee of any type, since even with diligent observation, some construction defects, deficiencies or omissions in the work may occur. Olsson shall have no responsibility for the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures selected by the contractor(s) or for the contractor's safety precautions and programs nor for failure by the contractor(s) to comply with any laws or regulations relating to the performance or furnishing of any work by the contractor(s). Client shall hold its contractor(s) solely responsible for the quality and completion of the Project(s), including construction in accordance with the construction documents. Any duty under this Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Client and not for any third party, including the contractor(s) or any subcontractor(s). Client, or its designees, shall notify Olsson at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of any inspections required by the construction documents.

4.8 "Record Documents": Drawings prepared by Olsson upon the completion of construction based upon the drawings and other data furnished to Olsson by the Contractor and others showing significant changes in the work on the Project(s) made during construction. Because Record Documents are prepared based on unverified information provided by others, Olsson makes no warranty of the accuracy or completeness of the Record Documents.

SECTION 5—TERMINATION

5.1 Either party may terminate this Agreement, for cause upon giving the other party not less than seven (7) calendar days written notice of default for any of the following reasons; provided, however, that the notified party shall have the same seven (7) calendar day period in which to cure the default:

5.1.1 Substantial failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and through no fault of the terminating party;

5.1.2 Assignment of this Agreement or transfer of the Project(s) by either party to any other entity without the prior written consent of the other party;

5.1.3 Suspension of the Project(s) or Olsson's services by the Client for more than ninety (90) calendar days, consecutive or in the aggregate.

5.2 In the event of a "for cause" termination of this Agreement by either party, the Client shall, within fifteen (15) calendar days after receiving Olsson's final invoice, pay Olsson for all services rendered and all reimbursable costs incurred by

Olsson up to the date of termination, in accordance with the payment provisions of this Agreement.

5.2.1 In the event of a "for cause" termination of this Agreement by Client and (a) a final determination of default is entered against Olsson under Section 6.2 and (b) Client has fully satisfied all of its obligations under this Agreement, Olsson shall grant Client a limited license to use the Work Product pursuant to Section 7.1.

5.3 The Client may terminate this Agreement for the Client's convenience and without cause upon giving Olsson not less than seven (7) calendar days written notice. In the event of any termination that is not the fault of Olsson, the Client shall pay Olsson, in addition to payment for services rendered and reimbursable costs incurred, for all expenses reasonably incurred by Olsson in connection with the orderly termination of this Agreement, including but not limited to demobilization, reassignment of personnel, associated overhead costs, any fees, costs or expenses incurred by Olsson in preparing or negotiating any proposals submitted to Client for Olsson's Scope of Services or Optional Additional Services under this Agreement and all other expenses directly resulting from the termination and a reasonable profit of ten percent (10%) of Olsson's actual costs (including overhead) incurred.

SECTION 6—DISPUTE RESOLUTION

6.1. Mediation

6.1.1 All questions in dispute under this Agreement shall be submitted to mediation. On the written notice of either party to the other of the election to submit any dispute under this Agreement to mediation, each party shall designate their representatives and shall meet within ten (10) days after the service of the notice. The parties themselves shall then attempt to resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of meeting.

6.1.2 Should the parties themselves be unable to agree on a resolution of the dispute, and then the parties shall appoint a third party who shall be a competent and impartial party and who shall be acceptable to each party, to mediate the dispute. Any third party mediator shall be qualified to evaluate the performance of both of the parties, and shall be familiar with the design and construction progress. The third party shall meet to hear the dispute within ten (10) days of their selection and shall attempt to resolve the dispute within fifteen (15) days of first meeting.

6.1.3 Each party shall pay the fees and expenses of the third party mediator and such costs shall be borne equally by both parties.

6.2 Arbitration or Litigation

6.2.1 Olsson and Client agree that from time to time, there may be conflicts, disputes and/or disagreements between them, arising out of or relating to the services of Olsson, the Project(s), or this Agreement (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Disputes") which may not be resolved through mediation. Therefore, Olsson and Client agree that all Disputes shall be resolved by binding arbitration or litigation at the sole discretion and choice of Olsson. If Olsson chooses arbitration, the arbitration proceeding shall proceed in accordance with the Construction Industry Arbitration Rules of the AAA.

6.2.2 Client hereby agrees that Olsson shall have the right to include Client, by consolidation, joinder or other manner, in any arbitration or litigation involving Olsson and a subconsultant or subcontractor of Olsson or Olsson and any other person or entity, regardless of who originally initiated such proceedings.

6.2.3 If Olsson chooses arbitration or litigation, either may be commenced at any time prior to or after completion of the Project(s), provided that if arbitration or litigation is commenced prior to the completion of the Project(s), the obligations of the parties under the terms of this Agreement shall not be altered by reason of the arbitration or litigation being conducted. Any arbitration hearings or litigation shall take place in Lincoln, Nebraska, the location of Olsson's home office.

6.2.4 Except to the extent prohibited by law, the prevailing party in any arbitration or litigation relating to any Dispute shall be entitled to recover from the other party those reasonable attorney fees, costs and expenses incurred by the prevailing party in connection with the Dispute. In the event of a Dispute involving a Claim (as hereinafter defined) against Olsson, Olsson shall be considered the "prevailing party" if Client is awarded materially less than the full amount of damages claimed by the Client in connection with the Dispute. In all other Disputes, "prevailing party" shall mean the party (if any) who obtains all, or substantially all, of the relief requested by that party in connection with the Dispute.

6.3 Certification of Merit

Client agrees that it will not assert any claim, including but not limited to, professional negligence, negligence, breach of contract, misconduct, error, omission, fraud, or misrepresentation ("Claim") against Olsson, or any Olsson subconsultant, unless Client has first provided Olsson with a sworn certificate of merit affidavit setting forth the factual and legal basis for such Claim (the "Certificate"). The Certificate shall be executed by an independent engineer ("Certifying Engineer") currently licensed and practicing in the jurisdiction of the Project site. The Certificate must contain: (a) the name and license number of the Certifying Engineer; (b) the qualifications of the Certifying Engineer, including a list of all publications authored in the previous 10 years and a list of all cases in which the Certifying Engineer testified within the previous 4 years; (c) a statement by the Certifying Engineer setting forth the factual basis for the Claim; (d) a statement by the Certifying Engineer of each and every act, error, or omission that the Certifying Engineer contends supports the Claim or any alleged violation of any applicable standard of care; (e) a statement by the Certifying Engineer of all opinions the Certifying Engineer holds regarding the Claim or any alleged violation of any applicable standard of care; (f) a list of every document related to the Project reviewed by the Certifying Engineer; and (g) a list of every individual who provided Certifying Engineer with any information regarding the Project. The Certificate shall be provided to Olsson not less than thirty (30) days prior to any arbitration or litigation commenced by Client or not less than ten (10) days prior to the initial response submitted by Client in any arbitration or litigation commenced by someone other than Client. The Certificate is a condition precedent to the right of Client to assert any Claim in any litigation or arbitration and Client's failure to timely provide a Certificate to Olsson will be grounds for automatic dismissal of the Claim with prejudice. In any such instance, Olsson shall be entitled to an award of attorney's fees, costs, and expenses.

SECTION 7—MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 Reuse of Documents

All documents, including drawings, specifications, reports, boring logs, maps, field data, data, test results, information, recommendations, or opinions prepared or furnished by Olsson (and Olsson's independent professional associates and consultants) pursuant to this Agreement ("Work Product"), are all Olsson's instruments of service, do not constitute goods or products, and are copyrighted works of Olsson. Olsson shall retain an ownership and property interest in such Work Product whether or not the Project(s) is completed. If Client has fully satisfied all of its obligations under this Agreement, Olsson shall grant Client a limited license to use the Work Product and Client may make and retain copies of Work Product for use in connection with the Project(s); however, such Work Product is for the exclusive use and benefit of Client or its agents in connection with the Project(s), are not intended to inform, guide or otherwise influence any other entities or persons with respect to any particular business transactions, and should not be relied upon by any entities or persons other than Client or its agents for any purpose other than the Project(s). Such Work Product is not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by Client or others on extensions of the Project(s) or on any other Project(s). Client will not distribute or convey such Work Product to any other persons or entities without Olsson's prior written consent which shall include a release of Olsson from liability and indemnification by the third party. Any reuse of Work Product without written verification or adaptation by Olsson for the specific purpose intended will be at Client's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Olsson, or to Olsson's independent professional associates or consultants, and Client shall indemnify and hold harmless Olsson and Olsson's independent professional associates and consultants from all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorneys' fees arising out of or resulting therefrom. Any such verification or adaptation of Work Product will entitle Olsson to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon by Client and Olsson.

7.2 Electronic Files

By accepting and utilizing any electronic file of any Work Product or other data transmitted by Olsson, the Client agrees for itself, its successors, assigns, insurers and all those claiming under or through it, that by using any of the information contained in the attached electronic file, all users agree to be bound by the following terms. All of the information contained in any electronic file is the work product and instrument of service of Olsson, who shall be deemed the author, and shall retain all common law, statutory law and other rights, including copyrights, unless the same have previously been transferred in writing to the Client. The information contained in any electronic file is provided for the convenience to the Client and is provided in "as is" condition. The Client is aware that differences may exist between the electronic files transferred and the printed hard-copy original signed and stamped drawings or reports. In the event of a conflict between the signed original documents prepared by Olsson and the electronic files, which may be transferred, the signed and sealed original documents shall govern. Olsson specifically disclaims all warranties, expressed or implied, including without limitation, and any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose with respect to any electronic files. It shall be Client's responsibility to confirm the accuracy of the information contained in the electronic file and that it accurately reflects the information needed by the Client. Client

shall not retransmit any electronic files, or any portion thereof, without including this disclaimer as part of any such transmissions. In addition, Client agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold harmless Olsson, its officers, directors, employees and sub consultants against any and all damages, liabilities, claims or costs, including reasonable attorney's and expert witness fees and defense costs, arising from any changes made by anyone other than Olsson or from any reuse of the electronic files without the prior written consent of Olsson.

7.3 Opinion of Probable Cost

Since Olsson has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others, or over the contractor(s)' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Olsson's Opinion of Probable Cost provided for herein is made on the basis of Olsson's experience and qualifications and represent Olsson's best judgment as an experienced and qualified professional engineer, familiar with the construction industry. Client acknowledges and agrees that Olsson cannot and does not guarantee proposals or bids and that actual total Project(s) or construction costs may reasonably vary from Olsson's Opinion of Probable Cost. If prior to the bidding or negotiating phase Client wishes greater assurance as to total Project(s) or construction costs, Client shall employ an independent cost estimator as provided in paragraph 3.4.3. If Olsson's Opinion of Probable Cost was performed in accordance with its standard of care and was reasonable under the total circumstances, any services performed by Olsson to modify the contract documents to bring the construction cost within any limitation established by Client will be considered Optional Additional Services and paid for as such by Client. If, however, Olsson's Opinion of Probable Cost was not performed in accordance with its standard of care and was unreasonable under the total circumstances and the lowest negotiated bid for construction of the Project(s) unreasonably exceeds Olsson's Opinion of Probable Cost, Olsson shall modify its work as necessary to adjust the Project(s)' size, and/or quality to reasonably comply with the Client's budget at no additional cost to Client. Under such circumstances, Olsson's modification of its work at no cost shall be the limit of Olsson's responsibility with regard to any unreasonable Opinion of Probable Cost.

7.4 Prevailing Wages

It is Client's responsibility to determine whether the Project(s) is covered under any prevailing wage regulations. Unless Client specifically informs Olsson in writing that the Project(s) is a prevailing wage project and is identified as such in the Scope of Services, Client agrees to reimburse Olsson and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Olsson from and against any liability, including costs, fines and attorneys' fees, resulting from a subsequent determination that the Project(s) was covered under any prevailing wage regulations.

7.5 Samples

All material testing samples shall remain the property of the Client. If appropriate, Olsson shall preserve samples obtained no longer than forty-five (45) days after the issuance of any document that includes the data obtained from those samples. After that date, Olsson may dispose of the samples or return them to Client at Client's cost.

7.6 Standard of Care

Olsson will strive to perform its services in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of Olsson's profession providing similar services in the same locality under similar circumstances at the time Olsson's services are performed. This Agreement creates no other representation, warranty or guarantee, express or implied.

7.7 Force Majeure

Any delay in the performance of any of the duties or obligations of either party hereto (except the payment of money) shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement and the time required for performance shall be extended for a period equal to the period of such delay, provided that such delay has been caused by or is the result of any acts of God, acts of the public enemy, insurrections, riots, embargoes, labor disputes, including strikes, lockouts, job actions, boycotts, fires, explosions, floods, shortages of material or energy, or other unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the party so affected. The affected party shall give prompt notice to the other party of such cause, and shall take promptly whatever reasonable steps are necessary to relieve the effect of such cause.

7.8 Equal Employment Opportunity

Olsson and any sub-consultant or subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR 60-1.4(a), 60-300.5(a) and 60-741.5(a). These regulations prohibit discrimination against qualified individuals based on their status as protected veterans or individuals with disabilities, and prohibit discrimination against all individuals based on their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin. Moreover, these regulations require that covered prime contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

7.9 Confidentiality

In performing this Agreement, the parties may disclose to each other written, oral, electronic, graphic, machine-readable, tangible or intangible, non-public, confidential or proprietary data or information in any form or medium, including but not limited to: (1) information of a business, planning, marketing, conceptual, design, or technical nature; (2) models, tools, hardware, software or source code; and (3) any documents, videos, photographs, audio files, data, studies, reports, flowcharts, works in progress, memoranda, notes, files or analyses that contain, summarize or are based upon any non-public, proprietary or confidential information (hereafter referred to as the "Information"). The Information is not required to be marked as confidential.

7.9.1 Therefore, Olsson and Client agree that the party receiving Information from the other party to this Agreement (the "Receiving Party") shall keep Information confidential and not use the Information in any manner other than in the performance of this Agreement without prior written approval of the party disclosing Information (the "Disclosing Party") unless Client is a public entity and the release of Information is required by law or legal process.

7.9.2 Prior to the start of construction on the Project, the existence of discussions between the parties, the purpose of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be considered Information subject to the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement.

7.9.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Receiving Party shall have no obligation to preserve the confidentiality of any Information which:

7.9.3.1 was previously known to the Receiving Party free of any obligation to keep it confidential; or

7.9.3.2 is or becomes publicly available by other than unauthorized disclosures; or

7.9.3.3 is independently developed by the Receiving Party without a breach of this Agreement; or

7.9.3.4 is disclosed to third parties by the Disclosing Party without restrictions; or

7.9.3.5 is received from a third party not subject to any confidentiality obligations.

7.9.4 In the event that the Receiving Party is required by law or legal process to disclose any of Information of the Disclosing Party, the Receiving Party required to disclose such Information shall provide the Disclosing Party with prompt oral and written notice, unless notice is prohibited by law (in which case such notice shall be provided as early as may be legally permissible), of any such requirement so that the Disclosing Party may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy.

7.9.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein (or to the contrary of any existing or future nondisclosure, confidentiality or similar agreement between the parties), Olsson is authorized, to use, display, reproduce, publish, transmit, and distribute Information (including, but not limited to, videos and photographs of the Project) on and in any and all formats and media (including, but not limited to, Olsson's internet website) throughout the world and in all languages in connection with or in any manner relating to the marketing, advertising, selling, qualifying, proposing, commercializing, and promotion of Olsson and/or its services and business and in connection with any other lawful purpose of Olsson. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this section and any other prior or future nondisclosure, confidentiality or similar agreement between the parties, the terms of this section shall take precedence.

7.9.6 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as altering any rights that the Disclosing Party has in the Information exchanged with or disclosed to the Receiving Party, and upon request, the Receiving Party will return all Information received in tangible form to the Disclosing Party, or at the Receiving Party's option, destroy all such Information. If the Receiving Party exercises its option to destroy the Information, the Receiving Party shall certify such destruction to the Disclosing Party.

7.9.7 The parties acknowledge that disclosure or use of Information in violation of this Agreement could cause irreparable harm for which monetary damages may be difficult to ascertain or constitute an inadequate remedy. Each party therefore agrees that the Disclosing Party shall be entitled in

addition to its other rights to seek injunctive relief for any violation of this Agreement.

7.9.8 The obligations of confidentiality set forth herein shall survive termination of this Agreement but shall only remain in effect for a period of one (1) year from the date the Information is first disclosed.

7.10 Damage or Injury to Subterranean Structures or Utilities, Hazardous Materials, Pollution and Contamination

7.10.1 To the extent that work pursuant to this Agreement requires any sampling, boring, excavation, ditching or other disruption of the soil or subsurface at the Site, Olsson shall confer with Client prior to such activity and Client will be responsible for identifying, locating and marking, as necessary, any private subterranean structures or utilities and Olsson shall be responsible for arranging investigation of public subterranean structures or utilities through an appropriate utility one-call provider. Thereafter, Olsson shall take all reasonable precautions to avoid damage or injury to subterranean structures or utilities which were identified by Client or the one-call provider. Olsson shall not be responsible for any damage, liability or costs, for any property damage, injury or economic loss arising or allegedly arising from damages to subterranean structures or utilities caused by subsurface penetrations in locations approved by Client and/or the one call provider or not correctly shown on any plans, drawings or utility clearance provided to Olsson, except for damages caused by the negligence of Olsson in the use of such information.

7.10.2 It is understood and agreed that any assistance Olsson may provide Client in the disposal of waste materials shall not result in Olsson being deemed as a generator, arranger, transporter or disposer of hazardous materials or hazardous waste as defined under any law or regulation. Title to all samples and waste materials remains with Client, and at no time shall Olsson take title to the above material. Client may authorize Olsson to execute Hazardous Waste Manifest, Bill of Lading or other forms as agent of Client. If Client requests Olsson to execute such documents as its agent, the Hazardous Waste Manifest, Bill of Lading or other similar documents shall be completed in the name of the Client. Client agrees to indemnify and hold Olsson harmless from any and all claims that Olsson is a generator, arranger, transporter, or disposer of hazardous waste as a result of any actions of Olsson, including, but not limited to, Olsson signing a Hazardous Waste Manifest, Bill of Lading or other form on behalf of Client.

7.10.3 At any time, Olsson can request in writing that Client remove samples, cuttings and hazardous substances generated by the Project(s) from the project site or other location. Client shall promptly comply with such request, and pay and be responsible for the removal and lawful disposal of samples, cuttings and hazardous substances, unless other arrangements are mutually agreed upon in writing.

7.10.4 Client shall release Olsson of any liability for, and shall defend and indemnify Olsson against any and all claims, liability and expense resulting from operations under this Agreement on account of injury to, destruction of, or loss or impairment of any property right in or to oil, gas, or other mineral substance or water, if at the time of the act or omission causing such injury, destruction, loss or impairment, said substance had not been reduced to physical possession above the surface of

the earth, and for any loss or damage to any formation, strata, reservoir beneath the surface of the earth.

7.10.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, it is understood and agreed by and between Olsson and Client that the responsibility for pollution and contamination shall be as follows:

7.10.5.1 Unless otherwise provided herein, Client shall assume all responsibility for, including control and removal of, and protect, defend and save harmless Olsson from and against all claims, demands and causes of action of every kind and character arising from pollution or contamination (including naturally occurring radioactive material) which originates above the surface of the land or water from spills of fuels, lubricants, motor oils, pipe dope, paints, solvents, ballast, bilge and garbage, except unavoidable pollution from reserve pits, wholly in Olsson's possession and control and directly associated with Olsson's equipment.

7.10.5.2 In the event a third party commits an act or omission which results in pollution or contamination for which either Olsson or Client, for whom such party is performing work, is held to be legally liable, the responsibility therefore shall be considered as between Olsson and Client, to be the same as if the party for whom the work was performed had performed the same and all of the obligations regarding defense, indemnity, holding harmless and limitation of responsibility and liability, as set forth herein, shall be specifically applied.

7.11 Controlling Law and Venue

The parties agree that this Agreement and any legal actions concerning its validity, interpretation or performance shall be governed by the laws of the State of Nebraska. It is further agreed that any legal action between the parties arising out of this Agreement or the performance of services shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Nebraska.

7.12 Subconsultants

Olsson may utilize as necessary in its discretion subconsultants and other subcontractors. Olsson will be paid for all services rendered by its subconsultants and other subconsultants as set forth in this Agreement.

7.13 Assignment

7.13.1 Client and Olsson each are hereby bound and the partners, successors, executors, administrators and legal representatives of Client and Olsson (and to the extent permitted by paragraph 7.13.2 the assigns of Client and Olsson) are hereby bound to the other party to this Agreement and to the partners, successors, executors, administrators and legal representatives (and said assigns) of such other party, in respect of all covenants, agreements and obligations of this Agreement.

7.13.2 Neither Client nor Olsson shall assign, sublet or transfer any rights under or interest in (including, but without limitation, moneys that may become due or moneys that are due) this Agreement without the written consent of the other, except to the extent that any assignment, subletting or transfer is mandated by law or the effect of this limitation may be restricted by law. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or

discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent Olsson from employing such subconsultants and other subcontractors as Olsson may deem appropriate to assist in the performance of services under this Agreement.

7.13.3 Nothing under this Agreement shall be construed to give any rights or benefits in this Agreement to anyone other than Client and Olsson, and all duties and responsibilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement will be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Client and Olsson and not for the benefit of any other party. There are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement.

7.14 Indemnity

Olsson and Client mutually agree, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold each other harmless from any and all damages, liabilities or costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and defense costs, relating to third party personal injury or third party property damage and arising from their own negligent acts, errors or omissions in the performance of their services under this Agreement, but only to the extent that each party is responsible for such damages, liabilities or costs on a comparative basis of fault.

7.15 Limitation on Damages

7.15.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, neither party's individual employees, principals, officers or directors shall be subject to personal liability or damages arising out of or connected in any way to the Project(s) or to this Agreement.

7.15.2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, neither Client nor Olsson, their respective officers, directors, partners, employees, contractors or subconsultants shall be liable to the other or shall make any claim for any delay damages, any punitive damages or any incidental, indirect or consequential damages arising out of or connected in any way to the Project(s) or to this Agreement. This mutual waiver of delay damages and consequential damages shall include, but is not limited to, disruptions, accelerations, inefficiencies, increased construction costs, increased home office overhead, loss of use, loss of profit, loss of business, loss of income, loss of reputation or any other delay or consequential damages that either party may have incurred from any cause of action including, but not limited to, negligence, statutory violations, misrepresentation, fraud, deceptive trade practices, breach of fiduciary duties, strict liability, breach of contract and/or breach of strict or implied warranty. Both the Client and Olsson shall require similar waivers of consequential damages protecting all the entities or persons named herein in all contracts and subcontracts with others involved in the Project(s).

7.15.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Client agrees that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Olsson's total liability to the Client for any and all injuries, claims, losses, expenses, damages, or claims expenses of any kind arising from any services provided by or through Olsson under this Agreement, shall not exceed the amount of Olsson's fee earned under this Agreement. Client acknowledges that such causes include, but are not limited to, negligence, statutory violations, misrepresentation, fraud, deceptive trade practices, breach of fiduciary duties, strict liability, breach of contract

and/or breach of strict or implied warranty. This limitation of liability shall apply to all phases of Olsson's services performed in connection with the Project(s), whether subsequent to or prior to the execution of this Agreement.

7.16 Entire Agreement/Severability

This Agreement supersedes all prior communications, understandings and agreements, whether oral or written. Amendments to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by the Client and Olsson. If any part of this Agreement is found to conflict with applicable law, such part alone shall be null and void and considered stricken, but the remainder of this Agreement shall be given full force and effect.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

This exhibit is hereby attached to and made a part of the Letter Agreement for Professional Services dated April 15th, 2022, between City of Crete, NE (“Client”) and Olsson, Inc. (“Olsson”) providing for professional services. Olsson’s Scope of Services for the Agreement is indicated below.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Project will be located at: City of Crete, NE

Project Description: Doane Substation and Electrical Improvements

The City of Crete provides electric service to customers within and outside of the city’s corporate limits in Saline County, Nebraska. The City is a public electric utility with over 2,500 residential customers, 500 commercial customers, and five large industrial customers in a six square mile service area.

The Crete SE Substation will be the fourth substation in the City’s electric distribution system. The intent is to redistribute load for balance and reliability as well as redundancy should another substation, distribution circuit, or sub-transmission circuit suffer localized failure.

The design desire is to configure the existing sub-transmission line and substation to incorporate low-profile, low visual-impact design criteria to minimize impact to the area while achieving the desired electrical service qualities.

Olsson will team up with the city to provide engineering services to City of Crete (“the Owner”) to upgrade the city’s electrical infrastructure. Olsson’s scope is to:

1. Review of previous technical work done as part of the City’s Substation Transformer Feasibility Study.
2. Evaluation and ground grid design.
3. Structure pad design.
4. Transformer pad design.
5. Control house design.
6. Design of circuit distribution bays.
7. Design of all superstructures, both sub-transmission and distribution.
8. Specifications of substation transformer.
9. Prepare timetables and estimates of costs for each phase of construction.
10. Develop a bid package for construction.
11. Protective relay programming.
12. Commissioning.
13. Construction Administration.
14. Arc Flash Report with protective device coordination.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Olsson shall provide the following services (Scope of Services) to Client for the:

DESIGN SERVICES

Phase 100 – Due Diligence Services (included in Lump Sum)

Task 101 – Project Initiation Meeting

Conduct a project initiation meeting with stakeholders to refine project scope, review the project site, identify specific goals, determine survey area, establish schedule for completion, and establish channels of communication. Olsson will prepare and distribute minutes of the meeting.

Task 102 – Existing Study Review

Olsson will review and provide feedback for the existing Substation Transformer Feasibility Study.

Task 103 – Topographical Survey

Olsson shall collect survey field information of the existing around the planned project location. Tasks performed under this phase of the work shall include the following:

1. Field Survey – Conduct a field survey to determine existing topographic features, pavements, roadway, storm sewer flowlines, drive locations, one-foot contours, drainage structures, utility manholes and covers, light poles, trees with spot elevations at the base of tree along with trunk size, shrubs, fences, signs, valve boxes. Survey crew will establish benchmarks and control points during the field survey.
2. Site Plan – Prepare an existing site plan showing the information obtained during the field survey. The utility locations and sizes will be determined by surveying the flagged 'One Call' locations of the visible features and using record information from the utility owners. No underground exploration for utilities will be provided. No Legal Boundary.

Task 104 – Geotechnical Investigation

Perform a geotechnical investigation at the site for use in the foundation designs. This will include up to three soil borings and lab analysis. Deliverable will be a concise, bound report.

Phase 200 – Preliminary Design (included in Lump Sum)

Task 201 – Landscape Design

Pre-Design Coordination Meeting: Olsson shall attend one (1) meeting with the Client or Consultant Team by video conference to discuss project goals, program, and aspirations. The team will discuss connectivity, operation of service, view corridors, and desired maintenance practices. This scope is based upon the following anticipated program:

1. Landscape enhancement, buffer, and/or screening of a new sub-station from vehicular rights-of-way.

2. Concept Design: Olsson shall develop one (1) conceptual site plan to meet the client's goals and aspirations for the project and City guidelines. The plans will identify hardscape (by others) and landscape enhancements coordinated with lighting strategies, vehicular access, and site grading. The conceptual site plan will be hand-drawn and color rendered. Supporting character imagery will be included as needed to further illustrate proposed site landscape improvements.
3. Review Meeting: Olsson shall attend up to one (1) meeting with the Client in Crete, Nebraska to review the proposed conceptual site plan.
4. Refined Concept Plan: Olsson shall prepare one (1) hand-drawn, color rendered Refined Concept Site Plan to incorporate comments received in the Concept Design Review Meeting. Refined Concept Plan to be utilized for City approval and coordination.
5. Review Meeting: Olsson shall attend up to one (1) design coordination meeting with the Client or Consultant Team by video conference.
6. City Review Meeting: Olsson shall attend up to one (1) design approval meeting with the City. Comments received as part of meeting will be incorporated into Construction Documentation.

Task 202 – Civil Design

Utilizing the existing topographic survey, prepare a base site drawing for the project. Plans shall include the following:

1. This task includes laying out the proposed site based on the footprint of the proposed electrical sub-station and generating a preliminary site plan.
2. Analyze existing topographic survey to identify any potential issues.
3. Coordinate with city of Crete and Power Delivery to identify access drive and provide preliminary layout.
4. Identify preliminary tree removal area.
5. Coordinate preliminary site design with city of Crete and Power Delivery Team to ensure there are no conflicts.
6. Present preliminary site layout to city of Crete for review and comment.
7. Preliminary site grading and drainage design.
8. Identifying preliminary grading limits.
9. Coordinating with Power Delivery & Structural to determine elevations.

Task 203 – Line Design

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review packages will be provided at 30% and 60% submittal.

1. Design one steel pole with gang-operated air-break switch (GOAB) and underground riser assembly. Riser circuit will tap off of existing 34.5kV line along Iris Avenue and terminate inside new substation.
2. Design two underground 4.16kV feeders, consisting of concrete encased conduit from the new substation to new distribution riser structures along Iris Avenue. Install two GOAB switches on overhead poles for sectionalizing.

Task 204 – Substation Design

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review packages will be provided at 30% and 60% submittal.

1. Design underground from 34.5kV line tap to new substation
2. Design and specify new circuit switcher, transformer, and power distribution center.
3. Design substation ground grid using SKM GroundMat Software.
4. Develop protection and control narrative.
5. Design underground conduit and ductbanks as necessary.
6. Provide an opinion of probable cost (60% stage approximately).
7. Olsson will develop 30% preliminary drawing package. This will comprise of:
 - Cover Sheet
 - Symbol Sheet
 - Site General Arrangement Plan
 - Overall One-line Diagram
 - Relaying and Metering One-Line Diagram
8. Olsson will develop 60% preliminary drawing package. This will comprise of:
 - Cover Sheet
 - Symbol Sheet
 - Site General Arrangement Plan
 - Enlarged Electrical Layout Plan, Elevations, and Details
 - Overall One-line Diagram
 - Relaying and Metering One-Line Diagram
 - Interconnection Diagrams
 - Grounding Plan and Details
 - Underground Conduit Plan
 - Foundation Plan and Details
 - Steel Structure Plans, Elevations, and Details
 - Fence Plan and Details
 - Protection and Control Narrative
 - Equipment Specifications
 - Construction Specifications
9. Develop bid package for long lead items:
 - Transformer
 - Power Distribution Center
 - Circuit Switcher

Task 205 – Breyer Substation Relay Replacement

Development of plans shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review packages will be provided at 30% and 60% submittal.

1. Design revised panel layouts with new relays. Relays selected will be similar to those utilized in the new Doane substation.
2. Revise existing (AutoCAD to be provided by client) three-line, DC control schematics and wiring diagrams.

Task 206– SCADA Design

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review package will be provided at 60% submittal.

1. Control and communications wiring diagrams at new substation.
2. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at new substation.
3. Site visits to gather existing information about SEL installation at Braden and Beyer substations.
4. Control and communications wiring diagrams to support RTAC installation at Braden and Beyer substation.
5. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at Braden substation (Power Plant).
6. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at Beyer substation.
7. Design for metering equipment at new substation that will interface with the existing Schneider Electric Power Measurement Expert (PME), formerly ION Enterprise. This task includes laying out the proposed site based on the footprint of the proposed electrical sub-station and generating a preliminary site plan.

Phase 300 – Construction Documentation (included in Lump Sum)

Task 301 – Landscape

Based upon the approved Conceptual Design Plan, Olsson will prepare Construction Documents for the landscape enhancements. Drawings will be submitted as a 60% check set, 95% Permit Plans, and 100% Bid Documents. Olsson will prepare the following Construction Documents:

1. Landscape Plan and Details: Shall identify the location, species and variety, quantity, plant sizes and any special requirements or conditions for the plant materials and planters. The plan will be created under the supervision of a Professional Landscape Architect and will conform to the standards set forth by the City of Seward and the Client's design criteria.
2. Irrigation Plan and Details: Shall identify the location of the irrigation mainline tap, mainline and lateral piping, zone control valves, irrigation heads, all necessary equipment and specifications. The plans will indicate pipe sizes, valve sizes, head type, controller type and circuit zoning. Domestic irrigation systems will be used on site.
3. Construction Specifications
4. Coordination Meetings: Olsson shall attend up to two (2) design coordination meeting with the Client or Consultant Team by web-based video conference.

Task 302 – Civil

Upon approval of the Preliminary Site Design Phase, Olsson shall prepare construction documents for the Client to use for bidding purposes.

1. This task shall involve incorporating the review comments from Preliminary Site Design and finalizing documents in preparation for construction.
2. Also included will be all CAD drafting and plan sheet layout.
3. Final design of all project components.
4. The following are anticipated for the final site civil drawings:
 - Existing Conditions
 - General Notes
 - Overall Site Plan
 - Site Grading & Drainage Plans

- Site Details

Task 303 – Line Design

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, plans, reviews, and quality reviews.

1. Design one steel pole with gang-operated air-break switch (GOAB) and underground riser assembly. Riser circuit will tap off of existing 34.5kV line along Iris Avenue and terminate inside new substation.
2. Design two underground 4.16kV feeders, consisting of concrete encased conduit from the new substation to new distribution riser structures along Iris Avenue. Install two GOAB switches on overhead poles for sectionalizing.

Task 304 – Substation Design

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, plans, reviews, and quality reviews.

1. Olsson will develop 100% drawing package for construction. This will comprise of:
 - Cover Sheet
 - Symbol Sheet
 - Site General Arrangement Plan
 - Enlarged Electrical Layout Plan, Elevations, and Details
 - Overall One-line Diagram
 - Relaying and Metering One-Line Diagram
 - Interconnection Diagrams
 - Grounding Plan and Details
 - Underground Conduit Plan
 - Foundation Plan and Details
 - Steel Structure Plans, Elevations, and Details
 - Fence Plan and Details
 - Protection and Control Narrative
 - Protective Relay Settings
 - Arc Flash Study
 - Equipment Specifications
 - Construction Specifications

Task 305 – Breyer Substation Relay Replacement

Development of plans shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review packages will be provided at 30% and 60% submittal.

1. Design revised panel layouts with new relays. Relays selected will be similar to those utilized in the new Doane substation.
2. Revise existing (AutoCAD to be provided by client) three-line, DC control schematics and wiring diagrams.

Task 306– SCADA Design and Integration

Development of plans and specifications shall include engineering design, drafting, preliminary plans, reviews, and quality reviews. Client review package will be provided at 60% submittal.

1. Control and communications wiring diagrams at new substation.
2. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at new substation.
3. Control and communications wiring diagrams to support RTAC installation at Braden and Beyer substation.
4. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at Braden substation (Power Plant).
5. Specify new SEL RTAC RTU and panel display operator interface terminal (OIT) at Beyer substation.
6. Design for metering equipment at new substation that will interface with the existing Schneider Electric Power Measurement Expert (PME)...formerly ION Enterprise. task includes laying out the proposed site based on the footprint of the proposed electrical sub-station and generating a preliminary site plan.
7. RTAC programming and integration of SEL equipment into existing SCADA system for new substation, Braden substation, and Beyer substation.
8. SCADA functions to include monitoring and control that are currently being done via the Allen Bradley PLCs.
9. Wonderware graphics, alarms, and trends for new substation.
10. Re-integration of existing Northeast Substation and Braden substation using new SEL gear.
11. Configuration of RTAC to support local one-line graphics on new OIT at new substation, Braden substation, and Beyer substation.
12. Onsite startup and training of SCADA integration work for Crete staff.

Phase 400 – Bidding Services (included in Lump Sum)

Task 401 - Prepare Notice to Bidders and Issue Documents

Olsson will coordinate the issuance of notices to bidders and the production and distribution of bidding documents. Notices will be placed in the official publications directed by the Client, and in bidding services known to provide data to contractors in the area. In addition, invitations will be mailed directly to contractors whom Olsson and/or the Client know will be interested in the project. Documents will be available for inspection at Olsson offices.

Olsson will coordinate answering questions raised by bidders. Addenda will be prepared, if needed, to provide clarification to questions. The Client will be informed on a regular basis of project changes resulting from bidders' questions.

Task 402 - Review and Evaluate Bids

Olsson will attend the bid opening. Bids properly received will be reviewed. Inconsistencies or irregularities found in the bids will be reported to the Client. Olsson will prepare a bid tabulation of bids received and will make the bid tabulation available to bidders. Olsson will evaluate the bids and make a written recommendation to the Client concerning contract award.

Task 403 – Contract Documents

Conformed copies of the contract documents, including insurance and bond forms, will be prepared by Olsson. Olsson will review the documents to confirm that procedures have been properly followed. Copies of the conformed documents will be provided to the Client for review. Executed copies will be distributed to the Client, the contractor, and Olsson. These documents form the official contract between the Client and the contractor, as well as the basis for decisions concerning the work.

Phase 500 – Field Services (Time and Materials)

Task 501 - Construction Administration

Olsson shall perform the following construction administration services:

1. Conduct a pre-construction meeting. Olsson will prepare and distribute minutes of the meeting.
2. Receive, log and review contractor submittals (i.e. shop drawings, cut sheets).
3. Review contractor pay applications.
4. Answer contractors' questions and interpret construction documents. Questions and interpretations will be answered with a written Request for Information (RFI) or similar process.

Task 502 – Construction Observation

Olsson will conduct bi-weekly site visits to observe construction activities unless conditions dictate more frequent observation. Olsson will prepare and distribute field reports monthly.

Task 503 – Project Close Out

Olsson will conduct a final walkthrough of the project. A “punch list” of deficiencies will be prepared and distributed.

Task 504 - Commissioning

Olsson will oversee an onsite 3rd party commissioning agent (commissioning agent separate from this contract) to verify relay protection, control, and apparatus testing and commissioning services. Commissioning agent will perform panel check-outs, Doble test relays, create test reports, perform relay testing,

Task 505 - Record Drawings

Olsson will prepare record drawings, based on contractors' “red lines”. A PDF version of the record drawings will be submitted to the Client.

Task 506 – Warranty Walk-through

Olsson will conduct a Warranty walk-through with the Client and contractor(s) to remedy deficiencies prior to the expiration of the warranty period. A “punch list” of deficiencies will be prepared and distributed

CLARIFICATIONS & EXCLUSIONS

1. Items, exhibits, and renderings, and not specifically included in the Scope of Services above are excluded.

2. All services shall be completed one time only, independent of project phasing. Repetition of any tasks, beyond normal design/review processes, shall be considered additional services.
3. Three dimensional renderings or graphics available as additional service.
4. Additional plan revisions or value engineering revision to plans beyond scope defined above.
5. Field and Construction Services including Construction Staking, Testing, Observation.
6. Permit Fees.
7. Signage design and details.
8. Additional exhibits outside the scope of the proposal and fees.
9. Additional coordination, project delays, extensions, and revisions will be considered additional services and are not included in the agreement.
10. Olsson has excluded all studies not specifically addressed above.
11. Olsson has not included material testing as part of this project scope This will be part of the contractor's scope.
12. Switchgear schematics and internal wiring diagrams to be completed by PDC vendor.
13. This scope does not include replacement of existing ION meters with iTron or other in support of future AMI system.

OLSSON POWER DELIVERY BILLING RATE SCHEDULE

2022 LABOR RATES

<u>Description</u>	<u>Range</u>
Technical Leader.....	225 – 315
Team Leader.....	230 – 325
Senior Engineer.....	200 – 270
Project Engineer	170 – 240
Associate Engineer	125 – 180
Assistant Engineer	90 – 145
Design Technical Manager.....	115 – 180
Senior Technician.....	100 – 140
Associate Technician.....	75 – 115
Senior Project Specialist.....	110 – 150
Project Specialist.....	95 – 130
Junior Technician Level 1	55 – 75
Junior Technician Level 2.....	65 – 95
Junior Technician Level 3.....	75 – 100
Senior Administrative Coordinator	75 – 105
Administrative Coordinator	60 – 90

Note:

1. Special Services not included in above categories will be provided on a Special Labor Rate Schedule.
2. Special This Power Delivery Billing Rate Schedule will be updated every year of the contract. Olsson will submit the updated rate schedule approximately January 1st of each year.

Please contact the Project Manager for special services not included above (Survey, Field Operations, Special Inspection, Construction Observation, Geotechnical, Non-Destructive Testing, Drilling, etc.) and they will provide their Special Services Labor Rate Schedule for you.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSE SCHEDULE

The expenses incurred by Olsson or Olsson's independent professional associates or consultants directly or indirectly in connection with the Project shall be included in periodic billing as follows:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Automobiles (Personal Vehicle)	\$0.585/mile*
Suburban's and Pick-Ups	\$0.75/mile*
Automobiles (Olsson Vehicle)	\$85.00/day
Other Travel or Lodging Cost	Actual Cost
Meals	Actual Cost
Printing and Duplication including Mylars and Linens	
In-House	Actual Cost
Outside	Actual Cost+10%
Postage & Shipping Charges for Project Related Materials including Express Mail and Special Delivery	Actual Cost
Film and Photo Developing	Actual Cost+10%
Telephone and Fax Transmissions	Actual Cost+10%
Miscellaneous Materials & Supplies Applicable to this Project	Actual Cost+10%
Copies of Deeds, Easements or other Project Related Documents	Actual Cost+10%
Fees for Applications or Permits	Actual Cost+10%
Sub-Consultants	Actual Cost+10%
Taxes Levied on Services and Reimbursable Expenses	Actual Cost

*Rates consistent with the IRS Mileage Rate Reimbursement Guidelines (Subject to Change).