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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR AIR QUALITY MONITORING STUDY
IN THE COMMUNITY OF BALDWIN HILLS
(SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Award a two-year contract to Sonoma Technology Inc., in a sum not to exceed \$250,000 to conduct an Air Quality Monitoring Study.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Chair to sign the attached two-year contract with Sonoma Technology Inc., effective the day after your Board's approval, with two (2) six-month renewal options at a contract sum not to exceed \$250,000.
2. Authorize the Director of Planning or his designee to approve and execute amendments to incorporate necessary changes to the contract that do not significantly affect the scope of work or exceed the maximum contract sum of \$250,000; and to suspend work if, in the opinion of the Director of Planning, it is in the best interest of the County.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In October, 2008, the County of Los Angeles (County) approved the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (CSD), an amendment to its zoning code establishing development standards and operating procedures for the oil and gas production operations for the unincorporated portions of the Inglewood Oil Field located in the Baldwin Hills Zoned District. In developing the CSD, the County

prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that addressed the impact of potential future development at the Oil Field. The Final EIR was certified on October 21, 2008. A number of parties challenged the adequacy of the Final EIR in court, and on July 15, 2011, a settlement was reached that allowed the Final EIR lawsuits to be dismissed. One of the provisions in the Settlement Agreement required the County of Los Angeles to select an independent qualified consultant to conduct an air quality monitoring study. This contract will satisfy the provision in the Settlement Agreement.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal No. 1 (Operational Effectiveness) – to maximize the effectiveness of processes, structure, and operations to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services. The recommended action will allow the Department of Regional Planning (DRP) to perform an independent study of the air quality and health risk concerns on the Inglewood Oil Field operation as requested by the surrounding communities in the Settlement Agreement. The study will improve the implementation of the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District and effectively regulate the oil field operation.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The contract sum is \$250,000, which is based on the work outlined in the Statement of Work and the price quoted by the Contractor. Funding has been included in DRP's recommended operating budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract contains all of the most recent required provisions including, but not limited to, Non-Responsibility and Debarment, Child Support Compliance, GAIN/GROW, Safely Surrendered Baby Law, and the provisions of Paid Jury Service time for the contractor's employees.

This is a non-Prop A contract. Consequently, there are no departmental employee relations issues and the contract will not result in a reduction of County services. Furthermore, the DRP evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this contract.

Data regarding the proposers' minority participation is on file with the DRP. The contractor was selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

DRP will not require the contractor to perform services that exceed the Board-approved contract sum, scope of work, and/or contract term.

County Counsel has approved the contract as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The services provided through this contract will not have an effect on the environment, and therefore, this contract is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section

15378 (b) (4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

DRP conducted a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process to solicit the services. The RFP was released on January 17, 2012. Consistent with the RFP process, interested contractors were required to submit a proposal demonstrating their ability to provide the services. The solicitation information was made available on the County of Los Angeles' Internal Services Department and DRP websites, and an advertisement was placed in the Los Angeles Times. Additionally, outreach was conducted to invite proposals from air quality consultants referred to DRP by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD).

Seven (7) proposals were received by the March 1, 2012 deadline. These proposals were reviewed using an initial "pass/fail" process to determine which proposals would be evaluated. The initial screening was consistent with the Selection Process and Evaluation Criteria set forth in the RFP. All seven proposals passed the initial screening.

A five-member evaluation committee was formed to evaluate the proposals. The committee was comprised of representatives from the County of Los Angeles Departments of Regional Planning, Public Works, and Public Health, as well as the State Baldwin Hills Conservancy. The committee members objectively evaluated the proposals submitted by the following proposers:

- Associates Environmental
- CSC Targhee, Inc.
- Eastern Research Group, Inc.
- PCR
- Soil/Water/Air Protection Enterprise
- Sonoma Technology Inc.
- Yorke Engineering, LLC

The evaluation committee reviewed the proposals according to the selection process and evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP and took into consideration staff qualifications, project management, study methodologies, financial resources, references, and price. Informed Averaging was used to calculate the final score for each proposer.

While Sonoma Technology Inc. was not the lowest-cost bid, it was the highest ranked proposer. Furthermore, Sonoma Technology Inc. offered the highest quality work plan and was determined to assemble the best team in the field of air quality monitoring.

DEBRIEFING

On March 29, 2012, DRP notified the non-recommended proposers that their firms were not recommended for contract award. DRP offered to debrief the non-recommended proposers on the proposal evaluations. Two of the six non-recommended proposers requested a debriefing. The two non-recommended proposers were satisfied with the results of the debriefing and indicated to DRP that they would not continue with the protest process.

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The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees. Upon approval of this contract by your Board, the DRP will be able to commence the required air quality monitoring study to fulfill the County's obligation in a timely manner as specified under the Settlement Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard J. Bruckner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" and last name "Bruckner" clearly legible.

RICHARD J. BRUCKNER

Director

RJB:AO:HC:gl

Enclosures

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel



CONTRACT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

SONOMA TECHNOLOGY, INC.

FOR

BALDWIN HILLS AIR QUALITY MONITORING STUDY

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**CONTRACT BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
SONOMA TECHNOLOGY INC.
FOR
BALDWIN HILLS AIR QUALITY MONITORING STUDY SERVICES**

This Contract and Exhibits made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2012 by and between the County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning, hereinafter referred to as County, and Sonoma Technology Inc., hereinafter referred to as Contractor, located at 1455 North McDowell Boulevard, Suite D, Petaluma, CA 94954-6503.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, COUNTY may contract with private businesses for Baldwin Hills Air Quality Monitoring Study Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR is a private firm specializing in providing air quality sampling and monitoring services; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY lacks the experience and resources necessary to provide Baldwin Hills Air Quality Monitoring Study Services; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY is authorized by Government Code Section 31000 to contract for such services, including those contemplated herein; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has submitted a proposal to COUNTY for provision of the Baldwin Hills Air Quality Monitoring Study Services and CONTRACTOR has been selected for recommendation for award of this Contract.

WHEREAS, this Contract is therefore authorized under Section 44.7 of the Los Angeles County Charter and Los Angeles County Codes Section 2.121.250; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I are attached and form a part of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

Standard Exhibits:

- 1.1 EXHIBIT A - Statement of Work
- 1.2 EXHIBIT B - Pricing Schedule
- 1.3 EXHIBIT C - Contractor's Proposed Schedule
- 1.4 EXHIBIT D - Contractor's EEO Certification
- 1.5 EXHIBIT E - County's Administration
- 1.6 EXHIBIT F - Contractor's Administration
- 1.7 EXHIBIT G - Forms Required at the Time of Contract Execution
- 1.8 EXHIBIT H - Jury Service Ordinance
- 1.9 EXHIBIT I - Safely Surrendered Baby Law

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following

words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1 **Contract:** Agreement executed between County and Contractor. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of the Statement of Work, Exhibit A.
- 2.2 **Contractor:** The sole proprietor, partnership, or corporation that has entered into a contract with the County to perform or execute the work covered by the Statement of Work.
- 2.3 **Contractor Project Manager:** The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations after the Contract award.
- 2.4 **County Contract Project Monitor:** Person with responsibility to oversee the day to day activities of this Contract. Responsibility for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the Contractor.
- 2.5 **County Project Director:** Person designated by County with authority for County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this Contract that cannot be resolved by the County's Project Manager.
- 2.6 **County Project Manager:** Person designated by County's Project Director to manage the operations under this Contract.
- 2.7 **Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.8 **Fiscal Year:** The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

3.0 WORK

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth in herein.
- 3.2 If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT

- 4.1 The term of this Contract shall be 24 months commencing after execution by County's Board of Supervisors, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to two additional six-month optional renewals, for a maximum total Contract term of 36 months. Each option shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the Director of Planning or his/her designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors.

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

- 4.3 The Contractor shall notify the Department of Regional Planning when this Contract is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Department of Regional Planning at the address herein provided in Exhibit E - County's Administration.

5.0 CONTRACT SUM

- 5.1 The "Maximum Contract Sum" under this Contract shall be the total monetary amount that would be payable by the County to the Contractor for providing required work under this Contract for the term. Total charges shall not exceed the amounts set forth in the Proposal, as shown in Exhibit B- Pricing Schedule.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.
- 5.3 The Contractor shall maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Contractor to determine when it has incurred seventy-five percent (75%) of the total contract authorization under this

Contract. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to (Department) at the address herein provided in Exhibit E - County's Administration.

5.4 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract

The Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

5.5 Invoices and Payments

5.5.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A - Statement of Work and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in Exhibit B - Pricing Schedule, and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing, no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.

5.5.2 The Contractor's invoices shall be priced in accordance with Exhibit B - Pricing Schedule.

5.5.3 The Contractor's invoices shall contain the information set forth in Exhibit A - Statement of Work describing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, work hours, and facility and/or other work for which payment is claimed.

5.5.4 The Contractor shall submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15th calendar day of the month following the month of service.

5.5.5 All invoices under this Contract shall be submitted to:

Hsiao-Ching Chen, Contract Manager
Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
320 West Temple Street, Room 1383
Los Angeles, CA 90012
hchen@planning.lacounty.gov
Fax: (213) 974-6384

5.5.6 County Approval of Invoices

All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the County's Project Manager prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld

5.5.7 Local Small Business Enterprises – Prompt Payment Program

Certified Local SBEs will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs is designated in Exhibit E - County's Administration. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

6.1 County's Project Director

Responsibilities of the County's Project Director include:

- ensuring that the objectives of this Contract are met; and
- providing direction to the Contractor in the areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements.

6.2 County's Project Manager

The responsibilities of the County's Project Manager include:

- meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and
- inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

The County's Project Manager is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Contract and is not authorized to further obligate County in any respect whatsoever.

6.3 County's Contract Project Monitor

The County's Project Monitor is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day administration of this Contract. The Project Monitor reports to the County's Project Manager.

7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR

7.1 Contractor's Project Manager

7.1.1 The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit F - Contractor's Administration. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.1.2 The Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall coordinate with County's Project Manager and County's Contract Project Monitor on a regular basis.

7.1.3 The Contractor's Project Manager must have at least 3 years of experience.

7.2 Approval of Contractor's Staff

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.3 Contractor's Staff Identification

Contractor shall provide, at Contractor's expense, all staff providing services under this Contract with a photo identification badge.

7.4 This Section is Intentionally Omitted

7.5 Confidentiality

- 7.5.1 Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- 7.5.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 7.5, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 7.5 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.
- 7.5.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.
- 7.5.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit G.

8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8.1 AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, Contract Sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an Amendment shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by Department Head or his/her designee.
- 8.1.2 The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Contract during the term of this Contract. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by Department Head or his/her designee.
- 8.1.3 The Department Head or his/her designee, may at his/her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 - Term of Contract. The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by Department Head or his/her designee.

8.2 ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

- 8.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.
- 8.2.2 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest

themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.

- 8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

8.3 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

8.4 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County Contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

8.5 COMPLAINTS

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

- 8.5.1 Within thirty (30) business days after Contract effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- 8.5.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.5.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five (5) business days for County approval.
- 8.5.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- 8.5.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Project Manager of the status of the investigation within five (5) business days of receiving the complaint.
- 8.5.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 8.5.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within three (3) business days of mailing to the complainant.

8.6 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

- 8.6.1 In the performance of this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation,

defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 8.6 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

8.7 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The Contractor shall comply with Exhibit D - Contractor's EEO Certification.

8.8 COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

8.8.1 Jury Service Program:

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit H and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

8.8.2 **Written Employee Jury Service Policy.**

1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
2. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any Subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the Subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this sub-paragraph. The provisions of this sub-paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.
3. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately

notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate, to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

4. Contractor's violation of this sub-paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

8.9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 8.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing Contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- 8.9.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete

description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this sub-paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.

8.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

8.11 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

8.11.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor.

8.11.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

8.12 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

8.12.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length

of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing

Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County Contractors.

8.13 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at www.babysafela.org.

8.14 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

8.14.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through Contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.14.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all

applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain in compliance with employment and wage

reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

8.15 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors.

The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

8.16 DAMAGE TO COUNTY FACILITIES, BUILDINGS OR GROUNDS

8.16.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

8.16.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

8.17 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

- 8.17.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.
- 8.17.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Contract.

8.18 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

8.19 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may

be found jointly or solely liable.

8.20 FORCE MAJEURE

8.20.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").

8.20.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.

8.20.3 In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

8.21 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Contract and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

8.22 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- 8.22.1 This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 8.22.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8.22.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.
- 8.22.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in subparagraph 7.5 - Confidentiality.

8.23 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with the Contractor's negligent acts and/or willful omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract.

8.24 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and

maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Sections 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

8.24.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than 10 days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.
- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

Hsiao-Ching Chen, Contract Manager
County of Los Angeles
Department of Regional Planning
320 W. Temple Street, Room 1383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

8.24.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents), and the Plains Exploration and Production Company (PXP) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

8.24.3 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage,

term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

8.24.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

8.24.5 Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.

8.24.6 Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

8.24.7 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver

of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

8.24.8 Sub-Contractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all Sub-Contractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Sub-Contractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Sub-Contractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Sub-Contractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the Sub-Contractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Sub-Contractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

8.24.9 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

8.24.10 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.24.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

8.24.12 Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

8.24.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

8.24.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

8.25 INSURANCE COVERAGE

8.25.1 **Commercial General Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County, its Agents, and PXP as an additional insured; with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 million

8.25.2 **Automobile Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability

insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

8.25.4 Unique Insurance Coverage

- **Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions**

Insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.26 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

8.26.1 If, in the judgment of the Department Head, or his/her designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Department Head, or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the Department Head, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

- 8.26.2 If the Department Head, or his/her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Department Head, or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Department Head, or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Department Head, or his/her designee, may: (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is One Hundred Dollars (\$100) (this amount is established by each Department) per day per infraction, or as specified in the Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) Chart, as defined in Appendix C, Technical Exhibit 2, hereunder, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or (c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.
- 8.26.3 The action noted in sub-paragraph 8.26.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.
- 8.26.4 This sub-paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in the PRS or sub-paragraph 8.26.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

8.27 MOST FAVORED PUBLIC ENTITY

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

8.28 NONDISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

8.28.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

8.28.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit D - Contractor's EEO Certification.

8.28.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

8.28.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

8.28.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or

be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.

8.28.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.28 when so requested by the County.

8.28.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.28 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While

the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.

8.28.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

8.29 NON EXCLUSIVITY

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict (Department) from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

8.30 NOTICE OF DELAYS

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

8.31 NOTICE OF DISPUTES

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County's Project Manager and/or County's Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Project Manager or County's Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Department Head, or designee shall resolve it.

8.32 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

8.33 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit I of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

8.34 NOTICES

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits E - County's Administration and F - Contractor's Administration. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Department Head, or his/her designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

8.35 PROHIBITION AGAINST INDUCEMENT OR PERSUASION

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or

persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

8.36 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

8.36.1 Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.38 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8.36.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

8.37 PUBLICITY

8.37.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and

- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County's Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.37.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this subparagraph 8.37 shall apply.

8.38 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

8.38.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State

law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

8.38.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.38 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.

8.38.3 If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

8.39 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Contract.

8.40 SUBCONTRACTING

8.40.1 The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by the Contractor **without the advance approval of the County**. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.

8.40.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:

- A description of the work to be performed by the Subcontractor;
 - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
 - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.
- 8.40.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every Subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such Subcontractor(s) were the Contractor employees.
- 8.40.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.40.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including Subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to notify its Subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.40.6 The County's Project Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and Subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.40.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all Subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.40.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the Subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved Subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

Hsiao-Ching Chen, Contract Manager
Department of Regional Planning
320 W. Temple Street, Room 1383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

hchen@planning.lacounty.gov
Fax 213-974-6384

before any Subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

8.41 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in sub-paragraph 8.14 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.43 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

8.42 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

8.42.1 This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

8.42.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall:

- Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.

8.42.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.38, Record Retention AND Inspection/Audit Settlement.

8.43 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of County's Project Director:

- Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

8.43.2 In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in sub-paragraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this sub-paragraph.

8.43.3 Except with respect to defaults of any Subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in sub-paragraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a Subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes

beyond the control of both the Contractor and Subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the Subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term "Subcontractor(s)" means Subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.43.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.43, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.43, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of sub-paragraph 8.43.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.42 - Termination for Convenience.
- 8.43.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this sub-paragraph 8.43 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

8.44 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

- 8.44.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.44.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

8.44.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

8.45 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

8.45.1 The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) calendar days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

8.45.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.45 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

8.46 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERENCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

8.47 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

8.48 VALIDITY

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

8.49 WAIVER

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this subparagraph 8.49 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

8.50 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

8.50.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any Contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.50.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

8.51 WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this contract will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.52 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.51 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 10 calendar days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Include only the following sub-paragraphs that are applicable to the contract.

9.1 THIS SECTION IS INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

9.2 THIS SECTION IS INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

9.3 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

9.3.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.3.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise.

9.3.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.

9.3.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of the contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the state and Internal Services Department of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

9.4 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS, SOFTWARE AND COPYRIGHT

9.4.1 County shall be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are

originated or created through the Contractor's work pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, shall execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all of the Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to the Contractor's work under this Contract.

- 9.4.2 During the term of this Contract and for five (5) years thereafter, the Contractor shall maintain and provide security for all of the Contractor's working papers prepared under this Contract. County shall have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Contract, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.
- 9.4.3 Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by the Contractor outside the scope of this Contract, which the Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which the Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager as proprietary or confidential, and shall be plainly and prominently marked by the Contractor as "Proprietary" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.4.4 The County will use reasonable means to ensure that the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. The County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of the Contractor.
- 9.4.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County will not be obligated to the Contractor in any way under sub-paragraph 9.4.4 for any of the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by sub-paragraph 9.4.3 or for any disclosure which the County is required to make under any state or federal law or order of court.
- 9.4.6 All the rights and obligations of this sub-paragraph 9.4 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Contractor has executed this Contract, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Contract to be executed on its behalf by the Chair of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, the day and year first above written.

CONTRACTOR: (Sonoma Technology Inc.)

By Y. R. Dil.
Name

President
Title

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

SACHI HAMAI
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI
Acting County Counsel

By Edmund M. Burke
Principal Deputy County Counsel

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT A
STATEMENT OF WORK**

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1.0 SCOPE OF WORK

1.1 Project Background

In October, 2008, the County of Los Angeles (County) approved the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (CSD), an amendment to its zoning code establishing development standards and operating procedures for the oil and gas production operations for the unincorporated portions of the Oil Field located in the Baldwin Hills Zoned District. Figure 1 shows the location of the Oil Field.

The CSD took effect on December 1, 2008. In developing the CSD, the County prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that addressed the impact of potential future development at the Oil Field. The Final EIR was certified on October 21, 2008. (A copy of the Final EIR is included on the CD attached with this RFP.) The Final EIR contains a Health Risk Assessment (HRA) that evaluated the health risks associated with operations at the Oil Field. The HRA was conducted consistent with the requirements of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and followed the risk assessment guidelines developed by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). The CSD contains a number of provisions that address toxic air emissions associated with the operations at the Oil Field that were recommended mitigation measures in the Final EIR. These measures included various types of controls, setback requirements, and emission monitoring.

A number of parties challenged the adequacy of the Final EIR in court, and on July 15, 2011, a settlement was reached that allows the Final EIR lawsuits to be dismissed. One of the provisions in the Settlement Agreement (<http://www.inglewoodoilfield.com/baldwin-hills-csd-settlement/>) requires the County to conduct an Air Quality Monitoring Study to assess health risks from exposure to air contaminants from the Inglewood Oil Field. This Contract retains an independent consultant to conduct the study in compliance with the Agreement.

1.2 Project Goals

- Quantify the air toxic emissions from the Oil Field operations including drilling and well workovers.
- Assess the health risk of both acute and chronic exposure to air toxic emissions from Oil Field operations.
- To the extent feasible determine and distinguish the major sources of toxic air emission within the areas surrounding the Oil Field.
- To the extent feasible assess the Oil Field's contribution to the overall acute and chronic health risk in the areas surrounding the Oil Field.

1.3 Project Schedule and Timeline

The implementation of this Air Quality Monitoring Study must begin on or before July 15, 2012 and be completed within twenty (20) months.

1.4 Specific Work Details

1.4.1 Development of Work Plan

The Contractor will have access to the Oil Field, and the Oil Field Operator will provide the most recent Oil Field emissions data which includes the following, but is not limited to:

- Air Toxic emission inventory
- Equipment source test data
- Soil gas vapor testing data
- Fugitive emission test data
- Air Monitoring data
- Meteorological data

The Contractor will also have access to all of the health risk assessment data used as part of the Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP) modeling in the FEIR.

The first task will be to develop a work plan that will explain the approach and methodology the Contractor will use to meet the project goals listed in Section 1.2. The work plan shall detail all of the steps that will be used to accomplish the project's goals, including major milestones and deadlines. The work plan should include some level of ambient air toxic sampling at various locations around the Oil Field. The plan could also include air toxic sampling within the Oil Field (both ambient and source testing). The work plan should also discuss the approach that will be used for quality assurance and quality control, particularly for any sampling that will be done as part of the project.

The draft work plan shall be submitted to the County for review and comment. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) will assist in the review of the work plan..

Once the County has approved the draft work plan, the Contractor will attend a meeting to present the draft work plan to the Community Advisory Panel (CAP), a group of local stakeholders working and residing in the vicinity of the oil field. The Contractor shall take into consideration up to 30 comments provided by the County, SCAQMD, CAP members and other interested stakeholders in the process of finalizing the work plan.

The Contractor shall be responsible for developing written response to up to 30 comments received from the County, SCAQMD, CAP, and other interested stakeholders, and modifying the work plan as needed. These responses and the final work plan will be submitted to the County for review and approval.

Once the County has approved the final work plan, the Contractor will begin implementing the work plan.

1.4.2 Monthly Progress Reports

The Contractor shall be required to submit monthly progress reports to the County that detail the following:

- An updated project schedule which includes:
 - The work that has been accomplished during the previous month
 - The work that is expected to be accomplished over the next three months
- The costs that have been incurred over the past month along with the cumulative costs to date
- Any issues that could affect overall budget and schedule

These progress reports shall be submitted to the County by the 10th of each month. The Contractor is required to meet with the County in person quarterly, and to participate in monthly conference calls during those months when an in-person meeting is not scheduled, during the implementation of the work plan. The Contractor shall work with the County to establish a schedule of these meetings immediately after the award of the contract.

1.4.3 Draft and Final Report

The Contractor shall prepare a draft report that details the result of the study. The draft report shall be submitted to the County for review and comment. The County will use the SCAQMD and others to assist in the review of the draft report. The Contractor will have two (2) meetings with the County to review the draft and final report. The draft report shall contain at a minimum the following:

- An executive summary that summarizes the study and the results
- An introduction that provides the reader background information on the need for the study, and outlines the contents of the report
- A description of the study methodology, including timeline of project deliverables
- The results of the study
- A list of references used for the study
- A list of preparers who were involved in conducting and preparing the study

The County shall provide the Contractor with up to 60 written comments on the draft report. The Contractor shall then revise the report and submit the final report to the County for approval. The Contractor will attend a subsequent CAP meeting, at the end of the study, to present the final report.

1.4.4 Deliverables

The Contractor shall provide:

- Five (5) hard copies and one electronic copy (.PDF format) of the draft work plan.
- Five (5) hard copies and one electronic copy (.PDF format) of the final work plan.
- Three (3) hard copies and one electronic copy (.PDF format) of the draft report.
- Ten (10) hard copies and one electronic copy (.PDF format) of the final report.

2.0 ADDITION AND/OR DELETION OF FACILITIES, SPECIFIC TASKS AND/OR WORK HOURS

2.1 This scope of work may require modifications to accommodate special tasks or projects which may arise during the course of the contract; including adding/deleting specific tasks, work products, meetings, and/or work hours. At any time during the contract, the Contractor may be notified in writing of desired changes by the County. Any desired changes must be mutually agreed upon, in writing, between the Contractor and the County.

2.2 All changes must be made in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.1 of the Contract, entitled Amendments.

3.0 QUALITY CONTROL

The Contractor shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan to assure the County a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The Plan shall be submitted to the County Contract Project Monitor for review. The plan shall include, but may not be limited to the following:

3.1 Method of monitoring to ensure that Contract requirements are being met; and

3.2 A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, shall be provided to the County upon request.

4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract using the quality assurance procedures as defined in this Contract, Paragraph 8, Standard Terms and Conditions, Sub-paragraph 8.15, County's Quality Assurance Plan.

4.1 Contract Discrepancy Report (SOW Exhibit 1)

Verbal notification of a Contract discrepancy will be made to the Contract Project Monitor as soon as possible whenever a Contract discrepancy is identified. The problem shall be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County and the Contractor.

The County Contract Project Monitor will determine whether a formal Contract Discrepancy Report shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the County Contract Project Monitor within five (5) workdays, acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence. A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contract Discrepancy Report shall be submitted to the County Contract Project Monitor within five (5) workdays.

4.2 County Observations

In addition to departmental contracting staff, other County personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to this Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

The County's and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

COUNTY

5.1 Personnel

The County will administer the Contract according to the Contract, Paragraph 6.0, Administration of Contract - County. Specific duties will include:

- 5.1.1 Monitoring the Contractor's performance in the daily operation of this Contract.
- 5.1.2 Providing direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information and procedural requirements.
- 5.1.3 Preparing Amendments in accordance with the Contract, Paragraph 8.0, Standard Terms and Conditions, Sub-paragraph 8.1 Amendments.

5.2 Furnished Items

- 5.2.1 County Holiday Calendar

- 5.2.2 Baldwin Hills Community Standards District Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) including the health risk assessment data used as part of the Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP) modeling in the EIR (in CD format)
- 5.2.3 Equipment Source Test Reports
- 5.2.4 Soil Gas Vapor Testing Reports
- 5.2.5 Air Monitoring Data from Drilling Operations (This is a voluminous amount of data. The Plains Exploration and Production Company (PXP) will work with Contractor on data needs).
- 5.2.6 Meteorological Data
- 5.2.7 Electronic Submittal to AQMD of Annual Emission Reports

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5.3 Project Manager

- 5.3.1 Contractor shall provide a full-time Project Manager or designated alternate. County must have access to the Project Manager during all work-week days (Monday through Thursday), between 9:00am and 5:00pm, 52 weeks per year. Contractor shall provide a telephone number where the Project Manager may be reached on a four (4) day work-week, eight (8) hours per day basis.
- 5.3.2 Project Manager shall act as a central point of contact with the County.
- 5.3.3 Project Manager shall have a minimum of three (3) years of experience, within the last five (5) years, managing equivalent or similar projects.
- 5.3.4 Project Manager/alternate shall have full authority to act for Contractor on all matters relating to the daily operation of the Contract. Project Manager/alternate shall be able to effectively communicate, in English, both orally and in writing.

5.4 Personnel

Contractor shall assign a sufficient number of employees to perform the required work. At least one employee on site shall be authorized to act for Contractor in every detail and must speak and understand English.

5.5 Identification Badges

Contractor shall ensure their employees are appropriately identified as set forth sub-paragraph 7.3 – Contractor's Staff Identification, of the Contract.

5.6 Materials and Equipment

The purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services is the responsibility of the Contractor. Contractor shall use materials and equipment that are safe for the environment and safe for use by the employee.

5.7 Training

5.7.1 Contractor shall provide training programs for all new employees and continuing in-service training for all employees.

5.7.2 All employees shall be trained in their assigned tasks and in the safe handling of equipment. All equipment shall be checked for safety when team members are on-site and checked remotely to ensure they are operational at least twice-weekly. All employees must wear safety and protective gear according to OSHA standards.

5.8 Contractor's Office

Contractor shall maintain an office with a telephone in the company's name where Contractor conducts business. The office shall be staffed during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, by at least one employee who can respond to inquiries and complaints which may be received about the Contractor's performance of the Contract. When the office is closed, an answering service shall be provided to receive calls. **The Contractor shall answer calls received by the answering service within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the call; or by 3 p.m. of the following business day.**

5.9 Accessing the Oil Field

To ensure safety during data collection at the Oil Field, Contractor shall provide notice to PXP at least two (2) days before any scheduled visit by contacting the following PXP representative, Monday through Friday, between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Contractor shall discuss emergency access with PXP and obtain authorization from PXP prior to commencement of data collection.

Ms. Candace L. Salway
Plains Exploration & Production Company
EH&S Manager, California Onshore – LA Basin
5640 S. Fairfax Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90056
Phone: 323.298.2266 (office)
Mobile Phone: 323.855.2386 (cell)
E-mail: csalway@pxp.com

Contractor's employees must wear appropriate personal protective equipments including steel toe boots, hardhat, safety glasses and fire retardant clothing while on site and be escorted by a PXP agent.

6.0 WORK SCHEDULES

- 6.1 Contractor shall submit revised schedules when actual performance differs substantially from planned performance. Said revisions shall be submitted to the County Project Manager for review and approval within three (3) working days prior to scheduled time for work.

7.0 UNSCHEDULED WORK

- 7.1 The County Project Manager or his/her designee may authorize the Contractor to perform unscheduled work, including, but not limited to, repairs and replacements when the need for such work arises out of extraordinary incidents such as vandalism, acts of God, and third party negligence; or to add to, modify or refurbish existing facilities.
- 7.2 Prior to performing any unscheduled work, the Contractor shall prepare and submit a written description of the work with an estimate of labor and materials. If the unscheduled work exceeds the Contractor's estimate, the County Project Director or his designee must approve the excess cost. In any case, no unscheduled work shall commence without written authorization.
- 7.3 When a condition exists wherein there is imminent danger of injury to the public or damage to property, Contractor shall contact County's Project Director for approval before beginning the work. A written estimate shall be sent within twenty-four (24) hours for approval. Contractor shall submit an invoice to County's Project Director within five (5) working days after completion of the work.
- 7.4 All unscheduled work shall commence on the established specified date. Contractor shall proceed diligently to complete said work within the time allotted.
- 7.5 The County reserves the right to perform unscheduled work itself or assign the work to another Contractor.

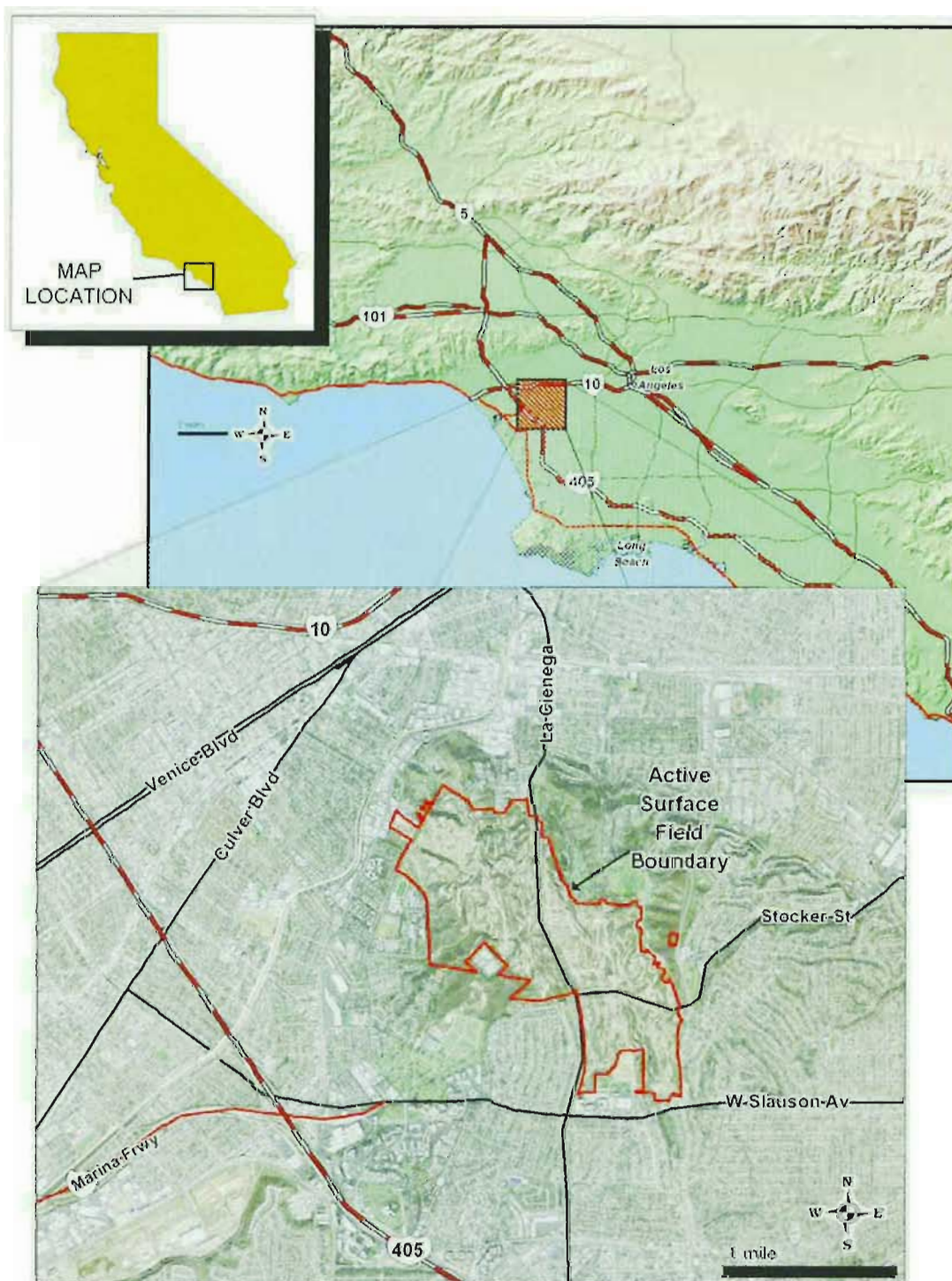
8.0 GREEN INITIATIVES

- 8.1 Contractor shall use reasonable efforts to initiate "green" practices for environmental and energy conservation benefits.
- 8.2 Contractor shall notify County's Project Manager of Contractor's new green initiatives prior to the contract commencement.

9.0 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

All listings of services used in the Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) (SOW Exhibit 2) are intended to be completely consistent with the Contract and the SOW, and are not meant in any case to create, extend, revise, or expand any obligation of Contractor beyond that defined in the Contract and the SOW. In any case of apparent inconsistency between services as stated in the Contract and the SOW and this PRS, the meaning apparent in the Contract and the SOW will prevail. If any service seems to be created in this PRS which is not clearly and forthrightly set forth in the Contract and the SOW, that apparent service will be null and void and place no requirement on Contractor.

Figure 1 Location of the Inglewood Oil Field



PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY (PRS) CHART

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SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REFERENCE	SERVICE	MONITORING METHOD	DEDUCTIONS/FEEES TO BE ASSESSED
Contract: Paragraph 7.0 - Administration of Contract- Contractor	Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in name or address of the Project Manager	Inspection & Observation	\$50 per occurrence
Contract: Sub-paragraph 8.24.1 – Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County	Contractor to provide evidence of coverage	Inspection & Observation	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract
Contract: Sub-paragraph 8.38 - Record Retention & Inspection/Audit Settlement	Contractor to maintain all required documents as specified in Sub-paragraph 8.38	Inspection of files	\$50 per occurrence
Contract: Sub-paragraph 8.40 - Subcontracting	Contractor shall obtain County's advance written approval prior to subcontracting any work.	Inspection & Observation	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract
SOW: Sub-paragraph 1.4 – Specific Work Detail	Contractor to perform all tasks as specified in Sub-paragraph 1.4	Inspection & Observation	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract
SOW: Sub-paragraph 4.2 – Contract Discrepancy Report	Notification and filing of contract discrepancy report	Inspection of files	\$50 per occurrence
SOW: Sub-paragraph 6.4.1 – Personnel	Contract shall assign a sufficient number of employees to perform the required work	Inspection of files	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract
SOW: Sub-paragraph 6.5.1 – Identification Badges	Contractor shall ensure employees are appropriately identified	Inspection & Observation	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract
SOW: Sub-paragraph 6.8 – Contractor's Office	Respond to DRP's inquiries and complaints	Observation	\$100 per occurrence
SOW: Paragraph 8.1 – Work Schedules	Schedule revisions submitted when planned performance differs from actual performance	Attendance	\$100 per occurrence; possible termination for default of contract

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT B
PRICING SCHEDULE**

STI Employee	Labor Category	Rates	TOTAL		Task 1		Task 2		Task 3		Task 4		Task 5		Task 6		Task 7		Task 8		
			Hours	Dollars	Meetings and Deliverables	Dollars	Procure Equip. Training	Dollars	Site Selection/ Setup Xact 0 move, 1 site BC 4 sites	Dollars	Web Site	Dollars	M&O Plus Removal	Dollars	Data Validation Daily QA	Dollars	Passive Sampling Carbonyls, BTX Inc. Site Selection	Dollars	Data Analysis HRA	Dollars	
Amador, J	Associate Staff 9	\$147.00	40	5,880	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	3,528	16	2,352	0	0	0	0	0	0	
DeWinter, J.	Associate Staff 2	\$106.00	218	23,108	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	8,480	0	0	0	138	14,628	
Hafner, H	Senior Staff 3	\$229.00	6	1,374	6	1,374	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jennings, C	Associate Staff 1	\$100.00	18	1,800	18	1,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Khallifar, N	Staff 15	\$95.00	8	760	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	760	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
McCarthy, M	Associate Staff 12	\$171.00	166	28,366	84	14,364	2	342	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	13,680	
Prouty, J	Associate Staff 13	\$179.00	16	2,864	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	2,864	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ray, A	Associate Staff 6	\$128.00	46	5,888	6	768	0	0	40	5,120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Roberts, P	Senior Staff 3	\$229.00	85	19,465	50	11,450	2	458	16	3,664	1	229	0	0	0	0	8	1,832	8	1,832	
Schwartz, J	Associate Staff 11	\$163.00	2	326	2	326	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Slocum, M	Staff 15	\$95.00	2	190	0	0	2	190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Smith, K	Staff 2	\$51.00	168	8,568	0	0	0	0	16	816	0	0	112	5,712	0	0	40	2,040	0	0	
Teplitz, M	Associate Staff 3	\$110.00	60	6,600	60	6,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Vaughn D	Associate Staff 12	\$171.00	307	52,497	156	26,676	16	2,736	40	6,840	1	171	44	7,524	34	5,814	16	2,736	0	0	
Subtotal: STI Labor			1,142	157,706	382	63,358	22	3,726	112	16,440	50	7,552	172	15,588	114	14,294	64	6,608	226	30,140	
STI MATERIAL AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS																					
Travel (see below)				8,359		2,457		0		3,292		0		1,504		0		1,106		0	
Miscellaneous (see below)				24,775		0		1,245		0		0		3,520		0		20,010		0	
Subtotal: STI Material & Other Direct Costs				33,134		2,457		1,245		3,292		0		5,024		0		21,116		0	
SUBCONTRACTOR(S)																					
Rick Peltier			\$33,470.00	0	33,470	0	0	12,500	0	0	0	0	0	13,970	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Subtotal: Subcontractor(s)				33,470	0	0	12,500	0	0	0	0	0	13,970	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	5,000	
Subtotal: Equipment Cost Recovery (see below)				18,920		0		0		0		2,400		16,520		0		0		0	
Subtotal: All Costs				243,230		68,815		17,471		19,732		9,952		51,102		16,294		27,724		35,140	
FEE																					
Fee on STI M&ODCs			10%	3,313		246		125		329		0		502		0		2,112		0	
Fee on Subcontractors			10%	3,347		0		1,250		0		0		1,397		200		0		500	
Subtotal: Fee				6,660		246		1,375		329		0		1,899		200		2,112		500	
GRAND TOTAL			1,142	\$249,891	382	\$66,061	22	\$18,848	112	\$20,061	50	\$9,952	172	\$53,001	114	\$16,494	64	\$29,836	226	\$35,640	

Percent of Project, by Task (Hours & Dollars)	100%	100%	33%	26%	2%	8%	10%	8%	4%	4%	15%	21%	10%	7%	8%	12%	20%	14%
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TRAVEL ITEMS (Detailed List)	\$ per Item	Total Items	Total Costs	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost
Car Rental	75.00	4.00	300.00	2.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mileage for Personal Auto - per mile	0.51	6,400.00	3,265.00	3,150.00	1,607.00	0.00	0.00	650.00	332.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	612.00	0.00	0.00	1,400.00	714.00	0.00	0.00
Lodging & Subsistence	196.00	14.00	2,744.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	1,960.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	392.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	392.00	0.00	0.00
Air Fare	350.00	3.00	1,050.00	2.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trailer towing	500.00	2.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal: Travel			8,359.00		2,457.00		0.00		3,292.00		0.00		1,504.00		0.00		1,106.00		0.00

MISCELLANEOUS (Detailed List)	\$ per Item	Total Items	Total Costs	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost
Carbonyl samplers (Radiello 165, AirToxics)	60.00	52.00	3,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00	3,120.00	0.00	0.00
BTX samplers (Radiello 130, AirToxics)	30.00	52.00	1,560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00	1,560.00	0.00	0.00
Carbonyl analysis (AirToxics)	175.00	52.00	9,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00	9,100.00	0.00	0.00
BTX analysis (AirToxics)	100.00	52.00	5,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00	5,200.00	0.00	0.00
Samples shipping	100.00	2.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
cell modem charges/month	85.00	53.00	3,445.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	195.00	0.00	0.00	48.00	3,120.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	130.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fire-proof clothing	350.00	5.00	1,750.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	1,050.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aeth tape	100.00	4.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal: Miscellaneous			24,775.00		0.00		1,245.00		0.00		0.00		3,520.00		0.00		20,010.00		0.00

EQUIPMENT COST RECOVERY (Detailed List)	\$ per Item	Total Items	Total Costs	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost	# of Items	Cost
Cell modems, (per modem per month)	85.67	48.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aethalometer (per month)	85.00	48.00	3,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.00	3,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Servers/month	200.00	12.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Surface met station/month	100.00	12.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trailer/month	150.00	12.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Shelters with AC/month	200.00	36.00	7,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	7,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal: Equipment Cost Recovery			18,920.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		2,400.00		16,520.00		0.00		0.00		0.00

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT C
CONTRACTOR'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

The schedule assumes that the contract between Los Angeles County and STI is fully in place by July 15, 2012, and that public meetings and review comments can be received in a timely manner. Note that the routine monthly maintenance visits and monthly progress reports are not listed in the table. Progress reports will be delivered by the tenth day of each month, with the first report tentatively scheduled for August 10.

Task or Deliverable	Notes	Due Date
Develop draft work plan (DWP) and submit to County and SCAQMD for review	The DWP will contain details of air toxics sampling and quality control procedures	August 10, 2012
Address County and SCAQMD comments on DWP and present the DWP to the Community Advisory Panel (CAP)		September 10, 2012
County consolidates CAP comments on DWP and delivers to STI		September 21, 2012
STI finalizes and delivers the final work plan (FWP) to the County		October 1, 2012
County approves FWP and STI begins implementation of FWP	STI works with PXP to finalize site access procedures/routines, and delivers the enclosures and trailer to the four sites that were selected on April 25, 2012; trailer leveled, anchored, and met tower installed	October 2012
Electrical (power) infrastructure is finalized at the four selected sites N, S, E, and W	Two sites (sites S and E) will have 110/220V, 50A single phase power to accommodate trailer. This work to be undertaken by PXP electrical contractors and billed to STI directly.	October 2012
First quarterly in-person meeting; install XACT metals monitor and meteorological trailer at site S and aethalometer enclosures at other three sites and begin monitoring; establish data communications and finalize website	Sub-hourly monitoring of black carbon and metals slated for November start date to capture driest portion of winter season under diurnal onshore/offshore wind flows	November 2012
Move XACT/met trailer to Site E	Nominal target date	December 2012
Conduct preliminary data analysis to inform the spatial and temporal characteristics of the passive sampling arrays; initiate logistics for siting of winter season VOC and carbonyl passive sampling	Some passive sites may require cooperation of community members	December 2012
Install cool season VOC and carbonyl passive sampling arrays; evaluate status of metals monitor deployment: continue or remove		January 2013

Task or Deliverable	Notes	Due Date
Collect cool season VOC and carbonyl passive sampling arrays and analyze		one week after installation
Second in-person quarterly meeting		February 2013
Install warm season VOC and carbonyl passive sampling arrays		May 2013
Third in-person quarterly meeting; Collect warm season VOC and carbonyl passive sampling arrays and analyze		May 2013
Lab analyses of BTEX and carbonyl samples complete		June 2013
Analysis of metals data, VOC data, and carbonyl data complete		August 2013
Fourth in-person quarterly meeting		August 2013
Monitoring complete		November 2013
Draft Report		January 2014
Draft Report meeting		January 2014
Receive final comments on Draft Report		February 2014
Final Report		February 2014
Final Report meeting		March 2014
Final CAP meeting		March 2014

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT D
CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

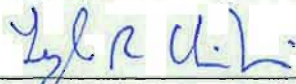
Sonoma Technology, Inc.
Contractor Name
1455 N. McDowell Blvd., Suite D Petaluma, CA 94954
Address
94-2824807
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of Los Angeles, the contractor, supplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATIONS

1. The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment. Yes No
2. The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force. Yes No
3. The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups. Yes No
4. Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables. Yes No

Lyle R. Chinkin, President
Authorized Official's Printed Name and Title

Authorized Official's Signature
5-17-12
Date

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT E
COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRACT NO. _____

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**CONTRACT EXHIBIT F
CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRACTOR'S NAME: Sonoma Technology, Inc.

CONTRACT NO: _____

CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT MANAGER:

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Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following:

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CONTRACT EXHIBIT G
CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR NAME Sonoma Technology, Inc. Contract No. _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced contract. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 5/17/12

PRINTED NAME: Lyle R. Chinkin

POSITION: President

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT H
JURY SERVICE ORDINANCE**

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION
Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
 - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
 - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
 - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
 - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
 - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
 - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
 - 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
 - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
 - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
 - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
 - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT I
SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW**

Safely Surrendered



No shame. No blame. No names.

In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-8723

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Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally confidentially and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

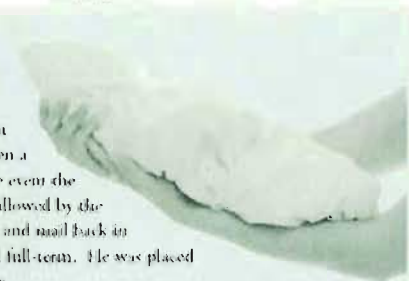
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*



Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.

En el Condado de Los Angeles: 1-877-DARY SAFE + 1-877-222-9723

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Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé, esto servía como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del periodo de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llevaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

No se Encuentra en Los Angeles? 1-877-8427-SAFE + 1-877-222-5728

www.dhs.ca.gov

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizan brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambian de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.