

# Insurance Requirements for Environmental Contractors and/or Consultants

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. With respect to General Liability, Errors & Omissions, Contractors Pollution Liability, and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability, coverage should be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years after contract completion.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. **Commercial General Liability** (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 07 04 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, property damage, bodily injury, & personal injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired (Code 8) and non-owned (Code 9) autos, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 1. Contractors Pollution Liability and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability and/or Errors & Omissions applicable to the work being performed, with a limit no less than \$1,000,000 per claim or occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate per policy period of one year,
  - If Contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained.

# Deductible and Self Insured Retentions

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. At the option of the Entity, the Contractor shall provide coverage to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self insured retentions as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Entity guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.

#### Other Insurance Provisions

A. The General Liability, Automobile Liability, Contractors Pollution Liability, and/or Asbestos Pollution policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- 1. The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor; and with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used). The Endorsement must not exclude Products /Completed Operations.
- 2. For any claims related to this project, **the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance** as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- 3. Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.
- B. The Automobile Liability policy shall be endorsed to include Transportation Pollution Liability insurance, covering materials to be transported by Contractor pursuant to the contract. This coverage may also be provided on the Contractors Pollution Liability policy.
- C. If General Liability, Contractors Pollution Liability and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability and/or Errors & Omissions coverages are written on a claims-made form:
  - 1. The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
  - 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
  - 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
  - 4. A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the Entity for review.
  - 5. If the services involve lead-based paint or asbestos identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain lead-based paint or asbestos exclusions. If the services involve mold identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain a mold exclusion and the definition of "Pollution" shall include microbial matter including mold.

#### Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A:VII if admitted in the State of California. If Contractors Pollution Liability, Asbestos Pollution and/or Errors & Omissions coverages are not available from an admitted insurer, the coverage may be written by a non-admitted insurance company. A non-admitted company should have an A.M. Best rating of A:X or higher. Exception may be made for the California State Compensation Insurance Fund if not rated.

### Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable insurance language, effecting coverage required by this contract. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to Entity a waiver of subrogation which any insurer may acquire against Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers, from Contractor by virtue of the payment of any loss. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

The Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Entity for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors.

#### **Subcontractors**

Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein.

## Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

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